

Report of the Election of the Student Parliament 2020

Dates and Deadlines

- Publication of the notice of election: 26th May 2020
- Submission of electoral lists: By 16th June 2020, 12:00
- Publication of electoral lists: 25th June 2020
- Submission of postal vote requests: By 9th July 2020
- Election days: 14th to 16th July 2020, each from 9:00 to 17:00
- Counting days:
 - 16th July 2020, rooms 3.06.S12/S13, 18:00 to 21:00
 - 17th July 2020, rooms 3.06.S12/S13, 12:30 to 15:30
- Publication of election result: 20th July 2020
- Publication of election report: 23rd July 2020

Polling stations

- HPI-Campus I, Foyer of the lecture hall building
 - Digital Engineering Faculty
- Campus Golm, House 18 (IKMZ), Lecture room
 - Faculty of Human Sciences
 - Faculty of Science
- Campus Griebnitzsee, House 6, Foyer
 - Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences
 - Institute for Computational Science
 - Law Faculty
- Campus Neues Palais, House 8, Auditorium Maximum (Foyer)
 - Central postal voting station
 - Faculty of Arts

Anomalies during the election

The original election of the 23rd student parliament was set to take place on 23rd to 25th June 2020. After publication of that election, the university elections were postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. § 5 (1) of the Rahmenwahlordnung der Studierendenschaft asks for elections parallel to the university elections, due to organisational and economical reasons. Since there were no guidelines for how to move on with the election, the Student Election Committee (StWA) was advised to cancel the current date and announce a new election date. This decision came to notice on the 26th May 2020. All electoral lists and postal vote requesters were asked multiple times to re-submit their lists/postal vote requests. since, at

that time, it was unknown whether a submission older than the notice of election can refer to this newer election. On 12th June 2020, the StWA received a submission by the electoral list “Die LISTE”, which was signed on 25th May 2020. The StWA contacted the spokesperson of the said list on the same day, but a newer submission was not made within the given deadline. The StWA contacted the legal advisor of the president’s office, which could not derive the prohibition of early submissions from the legal principles in this case, hence advised the StWA to accept the submission from 25th May 2020 as valid. The StWA acted accordingly.

Some of the electoral lists submitted by 16th June 2020 were incorrect and were contacted to submit a corrected version within two working-days. After re-submission, the electoral list “The Cosmopolitan Youth” still contained errors. Nonetheless, the StWA were able to validate all the candidates on the said list. According to § 15 (1) of the Rahmenwahlordnung der Studierendenschaft, on 28th June 2020, the StWA decided to accept all lists submitted by 16th June 2020, 12:00, as valid [6|0|0].

On the Counting Day One, the 16th July 2020, the StWA got aware of two persons helping with the counting who were also candidates of the list “The Cosmopolitan Youth”. As a consequence, both persons were expelled from the counting. All votes they had been processing together with two other count helpers were recounted. The investigation of details regarding this incident could not be finished by the time this report had to be published, but will be continued.

The ballot box of the Institute of Computer Science (Faculty of Science, Campus Griebnitzsee) contained ballot papers both from the election of the student parliament and the university election. Therefore, it was transported to the central counting office of the university election at Campus Neues Palais and was scheduled to be opened and sorted together with the postal votes on Counting Day Two.

On the Counting Day Two, 17th July 2020, [REDACTED] both members of the StWA, participated in and supervised the opening and sorting of the ballot boxes of the Institute of Computer Science and the postal votes at Campus Neues Palais. In that function, they prevented the mixture of ballot papers from different faculties on multiple occasions. After sorting, they transported the student parliament ballot papers to Campus Griebnitzsee where they could be counted without further incidents.

In the early afternoon, the head of the central election committee phoned [REDACTED] and reported one found postal voting ballot paper from the Faculty of Science. The votes of that paper were then communicated via phone and inputted into the count system by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Deputy Chairman of the University Election Committee, was selected to deliver the ballot paper in a sealed envelope on Monday, 20th July 2020, to the StWA. [REDACTED] verified the previously communicated votes on the 20th July 2020.

Election result

In accordance with the Rahmenwahlordnung der Studierendenschaft in the version of the 6th February 2018 (AmBek UP No. 01/2019, pages 14-19), the student body of the University of Potsdam elected the 23rd student parliament from 14th July 2020 to 16th July 2020 in a free and fair election by secret ballots:

List	Amount	Seats ¹
UP.rising	15,16%	4
Bündnis Fachschafteninitiative & FUCK UP (BFF)	9,76%	3
Grüner Campus	8,87%	2
The Cosmopolitan Youth	8,80%	2
Juso Hochschulgruppe	12,65%	4
DIE LINKE.SDS	14,74%	4
Grüne Hochschulgruppe Potsdam	13,11%	4
Liberale Hochschulgruppe	4,84%	1
BEAT! Bildung Jetzt	5,05%	1
RCDS	5,41%	2
Die LISTE	1,59%	0
Total	100,00%	27

¹ In accordance with § 8 (4) of the Rahmenwahlordnung der Studierendenschaft der Universität Potsdam, calculated according to the Sainte-Laguë/Schepers-Divisor method.

Number of eligible voters	19.954
Number of valid ballot papers	993
Number of invalid ballot papers	10

Electoral Participation

Total	5,03%
Digital Engineering Faculty	23,81%
Faculty of Human Sciences	2,75%
Law Faculty	5,00%
Faculty of Science	3,89%
Faculty of Arts	4,02%
Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences	6,52%

The total number of votes for each individual candidacy, the members elected per electoral list, and the order of members and substitute members within the electoral lists are attached on the last pages of this report.

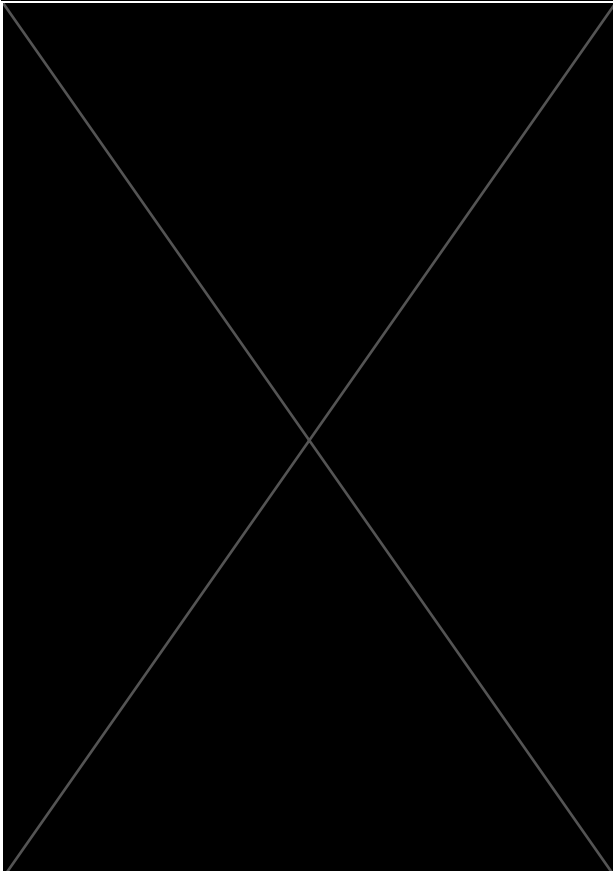
Names of the persons involved in the execution

Election Helpers

The election helpers of the polling stations and the central counting office can be obtained from the report of the University Election Committee of the University of Potsdam (“Allgemeiner Wahlausschuss der Universität Potsdam”).

Counting Helpers

The two candidates of “The Cosmopolitan Youth” are not listed.


Counting Helper	Thursday, 16th July 2020	Friday, 17th July 2020
	x	x
	x	x
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Other Supporters



Potsdam, 23rd July 2020

Student Election Committee 2020

 (Chairman)

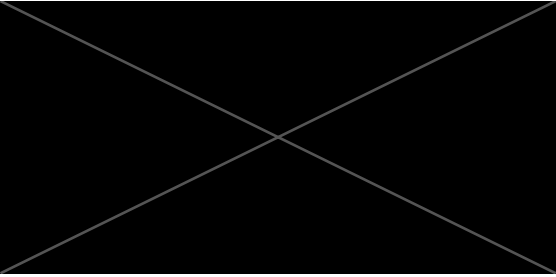
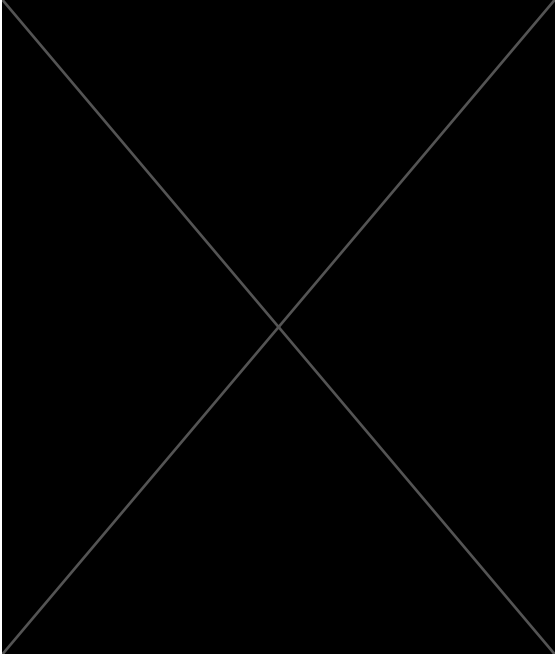
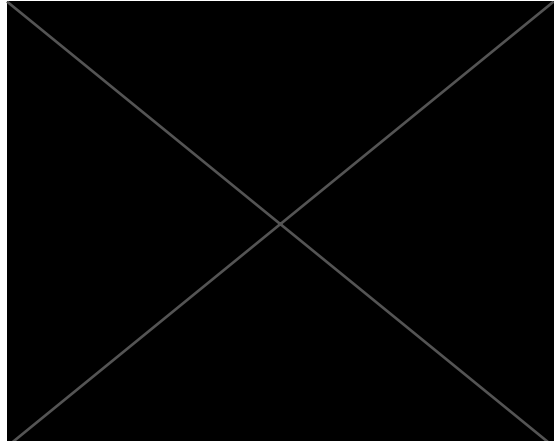
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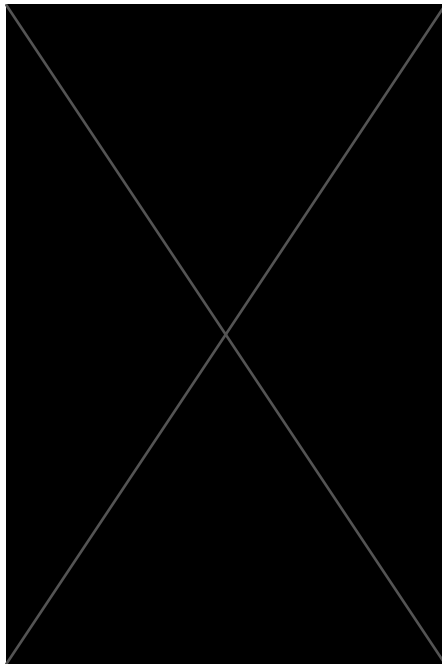


No. on list	Name	Votes	Seats
List 1: UP.rising		429	4
1		121	<i>elected</i>
6		92	<i>elected</i>
4		86	<i>elected</i>
2		63	<i>elected</i>
3		43	
5		24	
List 2: Bündnis Fachschafteninitiative & FUCK UP (BFF)		276	3
1		50	<i>elected</i>
11		29	<i>elected</i>
6		25	<i>elected</i>
7		25	
3		24	
10		22	
2		17	
4		16	
12		16	
8		13	
9		10	
14		10	
5		8	
13		6	
15		5	
List 3: Grüner Campus		251	2
1		65	<i>elected</i>
7		32	<i>elected</i>
4		31	
5		30	
3		28	
2		22	
10		15	
8		13	
6		8	
9	7		

List 4: The Cosmopolitan Youth

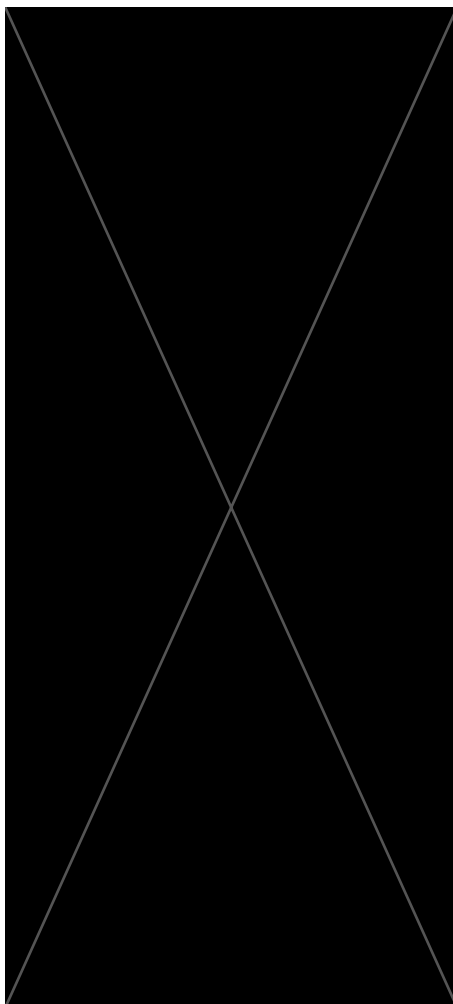
	249	2
1	40	<i>elected</i>
3	30	<i>elected</i>
2	22	
4	17	
5	15	
7	15	
12	12	
24	12	
29	7	
8	6	
15	6	
16	5	
25	5	
35	5	
27	4	
37	4	
9	3	
10	3	
11	3	
13	3	
17	3	
20	3	
30	3	
31	3	
32	3	
6	2	
14	2	
21	2	
23	2	
28	2	
36	2	
18	1	
26	1	
33	1	
38	1	
39	1	
19	0	
22	0	
34	0	

List 5: Juso Hochschulgruppe



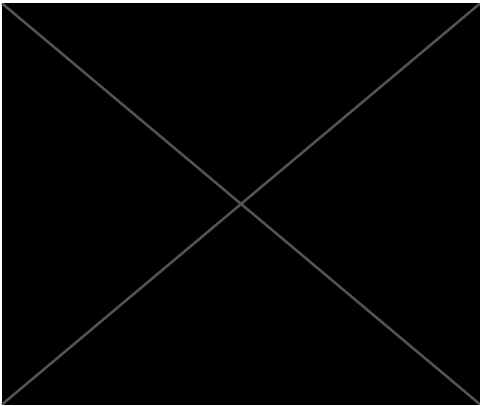

358	4
88	<i>elected</i>
42	<i>elected</i>
40	<i>elected</i>
25	<i>elected</i>
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List 6: DIE LINKE.SDS



417	4
80	<i>elected</i>
49	<i>elected</i>
37	<i>elected</i>
36	<i>elected</i>
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List 7: Grüne Hochschulgruppe Potsdam		371	4	
1		77	<i>elected</i>	
10		50	<i>elected</i>	
3		35	<i>elected</i>	
2		33	<i>elected</i>	
5		32		
8		32		
11		32		
7		27		
9		26		
4		14		
6		13		
List 8: Liberale Hochschulgruppe Potsdam		137	1	
1			29	<i>elected</i>
2	21			
5	21			
6	20			
4	18			
3	12			
8	11			
7	5			
List 9: BEAT! Bildung Jetzt			143	1
1		47	<i>elected</i>	
2		21		
6		14		
12		12		
4		8		
11		8		
3		7		
5		7		
8		6		
9		6		
10		6		
7		1		

		153	2
List 10: RCDS			
1		39	<i>elected</i>
2		28	<i>elected</i>
3		25	
8		18	
6		12	
7		10	
9		8	
5		7	
4		6	
List 11: Die LISTE		45	0
1		27	
2		18	