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Dear Saxion Partner,

Warm greetings from Saxion!

With this letter we would like to update you on the housing situation of international and exchange students to our university. As you might have heard from your students or read in the media, the student housing situation in The Netherlands is tight in major student cities for many years.

Also at our locations, especially Enschede, we see this development as well and experience that it becomes more difficult to secure student housing. The reasons for this vary, besides an increase in international students, we also see more national students using student accommodation for a longer period of time, either they prolonged their studies or because they cannot find suitable alternatives.

Fortunately we were able to accommodate all incoming international students that started in September 2021 and reserved a room before the deadline, yet it was a struggle for a number of students to find suitable accommodation on their own. For the upcoming semester we again faced challenges for Enschede. The number of incoming exchange students that requested accommodation for February 2022 has doubled compared to September 2021.

We were able to acquire extra student housing via one of our housing partners called 'De Veste'. This means that all students that handed in a request to the school before the deadline of 1 November will receive a housing offer. This offer will either be directly via Saxion or our partner De Veste towards the students. Of course, it's up to the students themselves to accept this offer or not.

If we take a look into the future, we expect the housing situation will become more of a challenge in the coming years. We will align our procedures accordingly and keep you updated, as well as that we will inform involved students accordingly.

In case you still have questions please not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

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