

DE CHEMISCHE BINDING • BOARD 56

# WELCOMING BOOKLET



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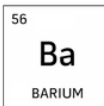
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# WELCOME

BY KATH

Dear First Years,

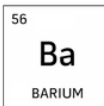
First and foremost, welcome to Groningen! This is the welcoming booklet for De Chemische Binding '22-'23, the study association for chemistry and chemical engineering. This Dutch phrase means the chemical bond in English which is what we aspire to create within the association (and learn within our study).

There is a myriad of committees elaborated here that organises different activities from lectures and excursions to sports, parties and food-related events.

In my first and second year in the CB, I've been in the introduction committee (ICE) and sports committee. I have helped organise first year camps, a disco party, the night volleyball tournament and more!

We hope to see you more in the lounge and in activities! If you see me or anyone from the board, come up and have some iconic CB coffee with us.





# BOARD

BY RUTH, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Dear First-years,

Firstly, welcome to groningen, and secondly, welcome to de CB! We are the 56th board of De Chemische Binding, and we are looking forward to meeting you! The chairman is Ruth, the secretary is Alex, the treasurer is Raluca, the internal affairs is Kath, the external affairs is Emiel and the educational affairs is Skye. We run the study association and help committees with anything they need (within reason ;))

We hope to see you in the members lounge in between lectures or just to relax when studying, and on the borrels every Friday (they are a lot of fun!!). If you have any questions or concerns you can always approach one of us, we're here to help make your year as fun as possible!

Ki5zes,  
Board 56



# ALMANAC COMMITTEE

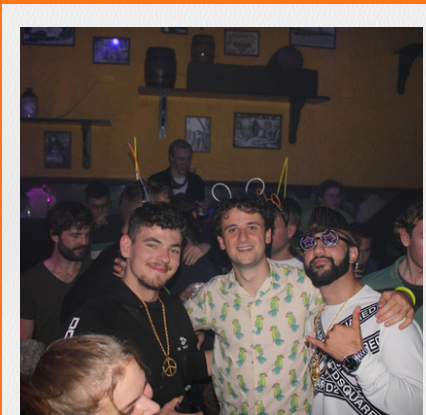
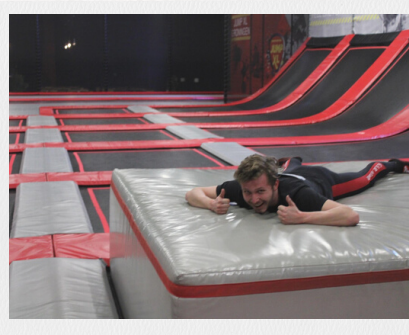
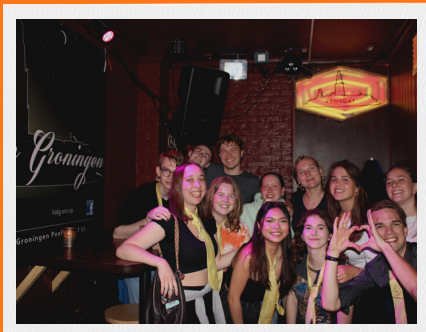
Hey there! Allow me to introduce you to the Almanac Committee! Here you are tasked with making an almanac (a yearbook) of all the committees and related institutions and associations of De Chemische Binding. An almanac has a theme which is defined by all the wonderful memories, stories and pictures of the year. The activities you get to organise are theme announcement and almanac distribution socials.

Historically, the Almanac committee is a force to be reckoned with in our Committee Competition Challenges. You as first years take on the role as CoCo commissioner, where you lead the charge in winning the CoCo Competition for the committee! Alongside this, you help the committee with coming up with the almanac's theme and contents. Best of all you get to enjoy watching the caffeine addicted designers stress over colours and pixels, secretaries worrying about emailing half of Groningen and the chair trying to keep everything in check and on time. Overall, a great introduction to university, city and CB life! With all that in mind, we are looking for energetic individuals who can send emails to our Internal Affairs: Kath, which document our accomplishment in CoCo challenges. Easy, right?

Love, Almanac Committee 21-22!









# ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities Committee (or better known as aXie) is an active committee and strives to organise as many fun activities as possible (surprising, I know). Traditionally, the biggest event is the End of the Year BBQ. However, up to 10 activities are organised per year. We, the aXie 2021-2022 arranged for example a Mario Kart event, a cooking activity, a bowling evening and a cantus (a very exciting activity involving lots of singing and beer drinking). Other ideas would be a movie night or a

flunkyball tournament. However, what you do is up to you and your imagination.

We can really recommend doing an aXie year as you will meet a lot of interesting people and you will also have fun together with them during the activities. Also, the meetings were very enjoyable because they often ended with a party. And of course, the aXie organises the best events :)

Cheers, aXie 2021-2022 (AttaXie)

Jesse, Daphne, Alexander, Jasper, Michela, Jeanne and Bet

## ***skills:***

All you need is to have fun organising activities and be socially active. It can also not hurt if you are an organised person and are good with social media.





# BORREL COMMITTEE

Fridays. Here, we gather many members of the CB from many years in bachelors, masters and further and have good laughs whilst playing cards and board games. If you want to bartend, make tostis and meet a lot of active CB members, this is the perfect committee for you.

## *skills:*

You have to be able to open a bottle of beer and make a cheese sandwich.

Every friday, exhausted, uninspired people need a beer. Who can they turn to? YOU. In dutch we call it a vrijmibo (friday evening social drink) something to be part of. With borrelcie you bartend once in a while and meet awesome new people!

The borrel committee is responsible for the social drinks we have in the luchtbrug or outside Nijenborgh on





# BUSINESS & ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

representatives and academics to speak on their company and career. Along with this, we are also responsible for acquiring sponsorships for committees so they can spend a little more money on their activities. If you're interested in organising career events for students in our organisation and learning about a wide variety of career opportunities (and drinking a BAco or two, our signature drink ;) ) join this committee!

BaCo '21-'22

The Business & Acquisition committee (BAco) is a committee focused on planning a wide breadth of events throughout the year so you can have a clearer picture of what you might want to do in the future. Examples of activities we organise are lunch lectures and networking drinks, as well as soft skill workshops to sharpen skills that are vital to your future career. We also organise CB career day, where we invite multiple company



# CHRISTMAS DINNER COMMITTEE

Dear reader,

We were asked to write a short piece as an introduction to the committee. Well, there is one thing we worked on throughout the year and it has been a huge success. If you were wondering, of course I am talking about the one and only CommitteeCompetish! Just to make sure you didn't miss it: we have left other committees way behind us, resulting in a decisive victory in both block one and block 2. All of this powered by our very effective meetings consisting of being salty after losing 'The Chwazi', bullying Hugo with our creativity regarding ComCo abbreviations and ruining our minutes by discussing any off-topic subject we could think of.

Even our attendance in the Battle of Committees was more than memorable: We accidentally deepthroated a peach; We crushed our enemies' hopes and dreams in live pictionary; We even correctly identified all three Fernandes flavours in the blind tasting! Of course it was no more than deserved that we also managed to snag the victory in the BoC.

Oh yeah, we also organised a Christmas dinner in the middle of february :). Which had the amazing theme of: Cluedo A Dinner To Die For. We thought of the best theme yet by having weekly dinner meetings, where we tried many recipes and did the bulk of the organising.

Xoxo, Christmas dinner committee 2021-2022

## *skills:*

Some important skills you should have: be able to read about the life of the cook before you can read the recipe, oh and be able to have fun!





# EDUCATION COMMITTEE

It is important that we have a committee, which is diverse across the year groups of chemistry and chemical engineering. This means that we would like to find a new first year student to join our committee. Do you want to organise high-quality educational activities for the students of chemistry and chemical engineering? Send an email to [board@chemische-binding.nl](mailto:board@chemische-binding.nl) to show your interest.

Dear first years,

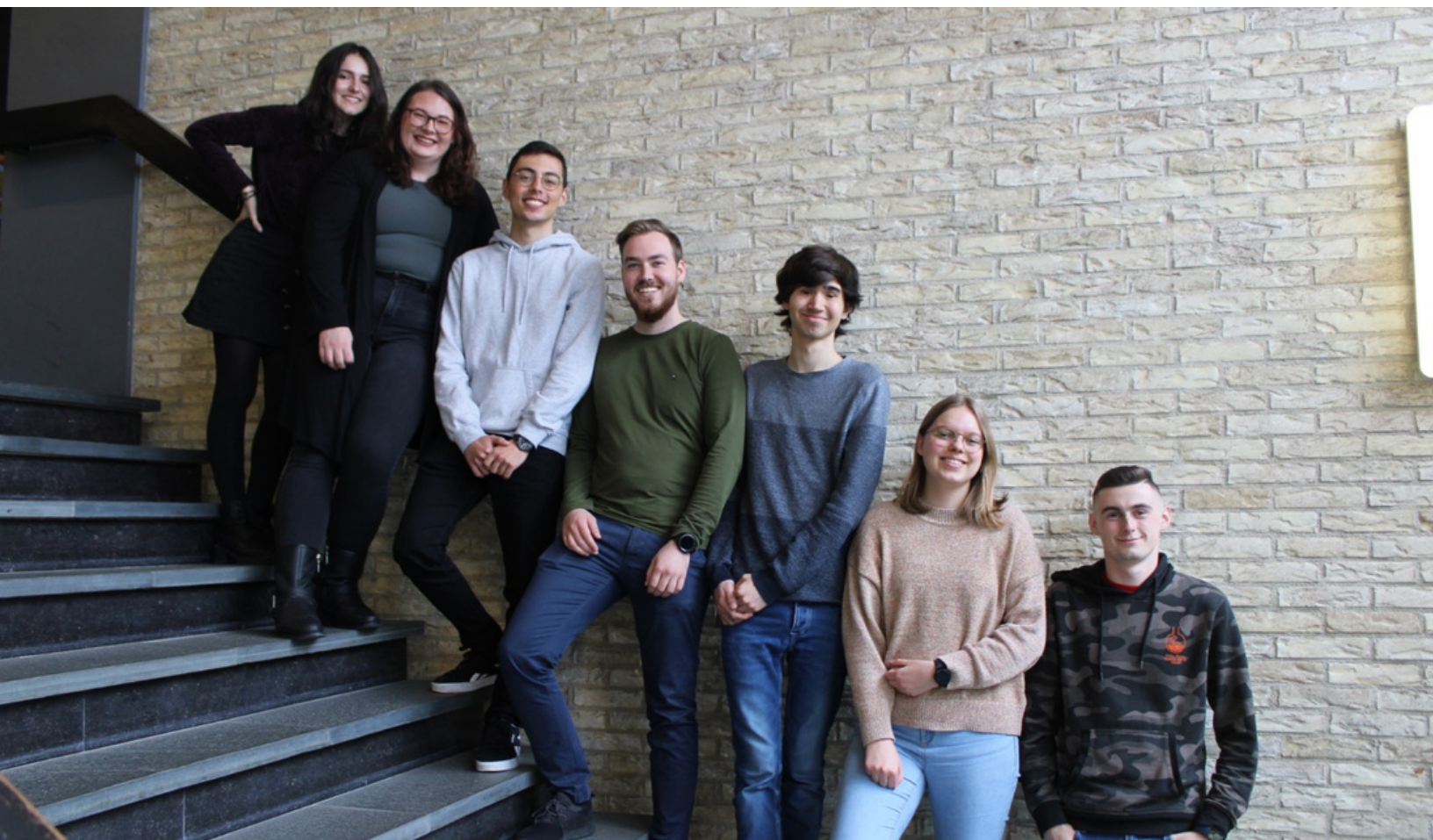
We are the Education Committee (EC), and we'd like to say welcome to the University of Groningen! As the EC of De Chemische Binding, we help you with your studies by organising educational support sessions before the exams. We also organise training sessions in softwares, which are used in your courses. Our committee is currently chaired by Seán, with Jasper, and Simon being secretary and treasurer, respectively. The Commissioner of Educational Affairs of the board, Skye, is also a member of the EC.

We wish you a happy introduction to the academic year!

Good luck with your studies!  
The Education Committee

## *skills:*

Can communicate well with course coordinators, teaching assistants, and students. Has a nice taste in cookies. Can cope with an Irish accent (important).





# FIRST-YEAR COMMITTEE

Don't be intimidated by the freedom because the board and the drive will be your guiding light. You will have all the information you could possibly need in the cloud and the tips and tricks from the board. So come and join this committee to organise fun activities for the CB and build your CV.

## *skills:*

The first year committee is your perfect gateway to having more substantial positions in your first year. If you want to be the chair, secretary or treasurer of a committee, this is the perfect committee for you. You will be able to arrange activities such as cooking, laser tag or any activities your committee desires with no adult supervision (.

Be able to come up with fun activities and have fun!





# INTRODUCTION COMMITTEE

When you're reading this you are probably hours or minutes away from going to the ICE camp. You can expect a lot of activities - games, party, drinking and most importantly, bonding with your fellow first years and members of the CB. This day is for you to experience, enjoy and maybe not remember and that's what the Paparacie is for!

This committee made long time friendships and experiences for us and we hope it does the same to the new ICE committee and for all first years.

Dear First-years,

We can guarantee that this is the best committee in the CB that you can do. The ICE is responsible for arranging the faculty introduction day (FID) and the ICE camp that I hope you are all enjoying. The specifics of the year of our committee is better detailed in the almanac!

## ***skills:***

You must be able to be organised, creative and be able to have fun!





# LECTURE COMMITTEE

working together as a group of 2-3 people in this committee, so you'll be guaranteed to have a wonderful time! Proactivity and communication skills would definitely be important in this committee, as you have to act as the link between the board, the committee itself, and the lecturer. Overall, it's a very fun and educational committee. We can't wait to see you here!

Cheers!

## *skills:*

You have to be proactive, be able to communicate well and most importantly, be capable of listening to the interesting lectures you will organise in the upcoming year!

Hello first-years!

Welcome to the chemistry study and to the CBI! We are the lecture committee of the association, aka the LeCo. Our committee arranges guest lectures from various lecturers in the chemistry field. While this may seem like a daunting task, it is not as difficult as it sounds. You'll be





# LUSTRUM COMMITTEE

Hi everyone! We are the Lustrum Committee, organising the biggest event this year (and the following years) will see!

For those of you that are not familiar with this tradition, the Lustrum is the 5 year anniversary of the association. On the 9th of October, De Chemische Binding will turn 55 years old, which is of course cause for a huge celebration! From the 3rd of October until the 9th, there

will be events celebrating this birthday, with parties, sporting, career and educational events, a baking competition and many social drinks to join.

As new first years, you guys are especially lucky since this only takes place every 5 years, so this event will be the perfect way to get to know people from the association! If you want to join these cool events, you can subscribe for the passe partout on the website. With this, you can join all events this week with a discount, and you'll receive a really cool goodie bag as well! However, no worries if you don't want to join everything: you can join the events individually as well. Hope to see you all there!

Cheers!

The Lustrum Committee

Follow us on insta: @lustrum\_radical\_decb





# PAPARACIE

volleyball. Unfortunately not all of these wonderful masterpieces can be uploaded on the website, so if you would like to look through them all, please approach one of us or a board member.

We look forward to capturing even more moments with you guys next year.

Much love,  
The Paparacie

Heyhey,

It's everyone's favourite friendly photographers! This year we could finally show off our amazing camera skills once again with more and more activities being possible. We kicked off the year taking pictures at some of our favourite big events such as ICE, as well as the Dies. After a small break we came back with a bang taking over 500 pictures at the Christmas dinner and Night

## ***skills:***

We are always looking for enthusiastic members, so if you think you have the skills to capture our beautiful members in all their glory (normally in non ideal dim lighting with some form of smoke), let us know!





# PARTY COMMITTEE

I see you've made it to the good part of the booklet, you'll like it here.

Yes! After a little hiatus the (in)famous party committee has returned. As the PartyCo you have the sacred task of organising some amazing parties. Whether people are drowning in exams, or contemplating drinking 96% ethanol during synthesis, it is your job to provide your colleagues with reasonably priced beer and questionable music to party to.

In past iterations the committee has consisted of a diverse bunch of creatures ranging from a good mix of Dutchies and internationals, iguanas and inflatable

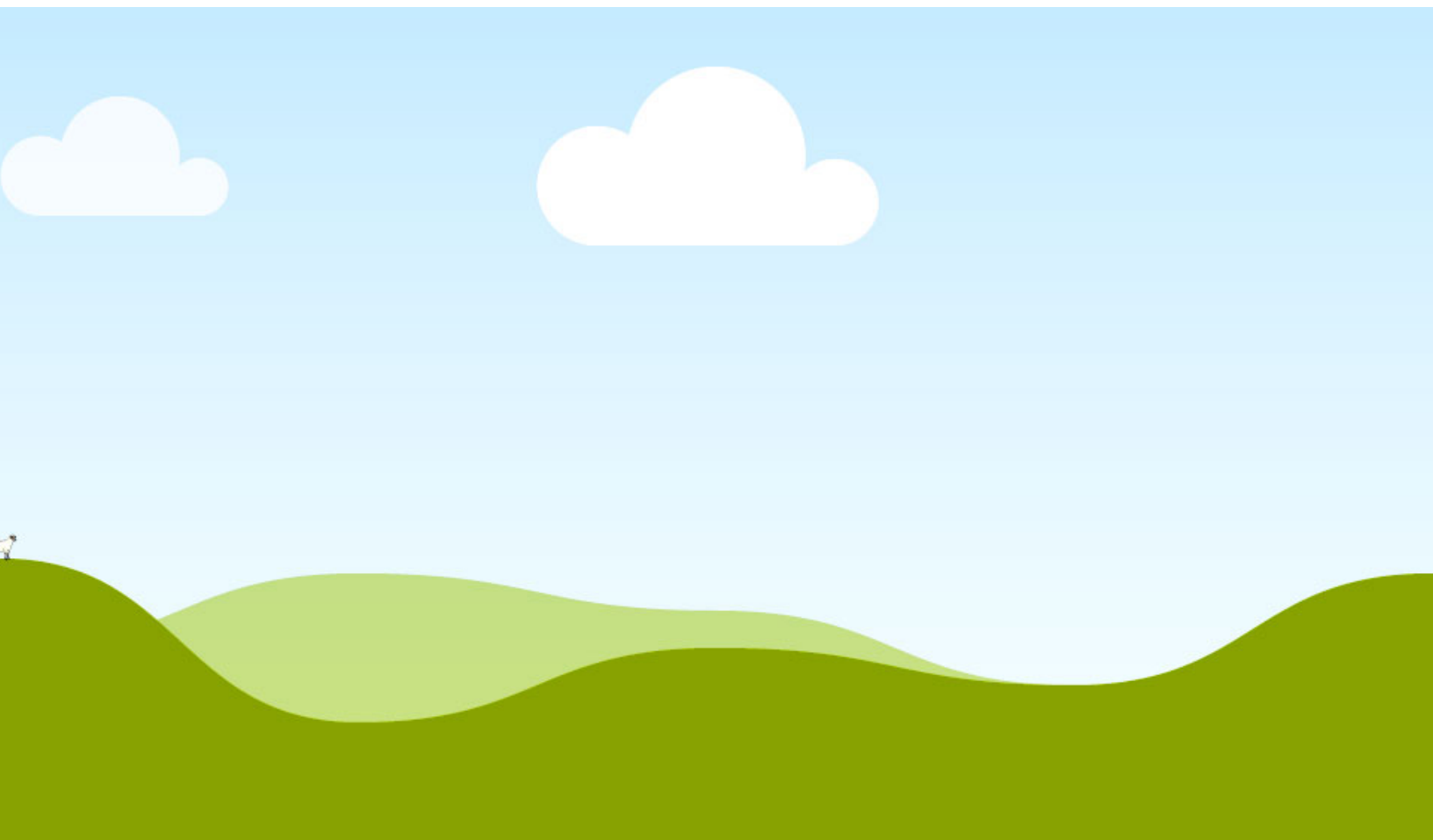
penguins, to even an Italian. Over the course of the year you will develop and hone your skills in negotiation, organisation, conversation, and the occasional intoxication. This committee is the perfect way to have fun with your colleagues, to get to know everyone well, yet also have enough time to actually pass the courses and exams you'll so desperately try to forget at your parties.

In short, do you have a god complex? Do you feel it is your calling to teach your fellow students to good parties and to teach them how to dance? Do you want to organise great parties with venues in Groningen and provide your fellow students with reasonably priced beers? Then PartyCo needs you!

Cheers!

Wouter, Elia, Pim, Balint, and Paula

PartyCo





# SPORTS COMMITTEE

Night volleyball is the biggest event of the SpoCo every year where members of the CB, professors and chemistry/ chemical engineering study associations around the Netherlands visit Groningen for. This event takes place from 10 pm to 6 am - definitely not for the faint of heart (so you can bring a sleeping bag and nap in a corner somewhere if you want to).

We look forward to having new members that are keen to help make the members of the CB more muscular and alert!

Hello first-years,

If you like sports or if you are incapable of playing any sports at all, this is the perfect committee for you. This committee is responsible for arranging a wide range of sporty (or not) activities that is fun for everyone. Trampoline dodgeball, ice skating and paintballing are just some of the activities the SpoCo has done before but you are always welcome to do new things!

## *skills:*

You should be able to breathe efficiently and of course, being sporty is a small advantage.





# SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE

of the field of chemistry.

A lot of work is behind organizing such an event, which is where we, the symposium committee, come into play. Being a member of our committee involves contacting speakers from all around the world, designing promotion material, having fun at meetings and struggling to come up with a theme for the event.

Make sure to be there on the 7th to find out what the theme is and enjoy a free lunch!

While you're enjoying seeing new faces, trying on ridiculously large lab coats and being overwhelmed by the stylishness of the Nijenborgh building, we have an exciting announcement for you.

On October 7th, the annual CB chemistry symposium will take place. The symposium, taking place during the lustrum week of the CB (see Lustrum Committee), will be a day packed with lectures by experts from every corner

