

**POSITION STATEMENT TU DELFT EXECUTIVE BOARD REGARDING THE RESEARCH ASSESSMENT  
OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS 2015-2020**

The Executive Board of Delft University of Technology has commissioned an assessment of the research carried out by the department Applied Mathematics (DIAM) of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Mathematics & Computer Science in the period 2015-2020. The assessment was delayed due to covid-19 and therefore carried out in 2022 by an international peer review committee, using the Strategy Evaluation Protocol 2021-2027. The chair of the peer review committee was Prof.dr.ir. O.J. (Onno) Boxma (Emeritus professor Eindhoven University). The full report of the peer review committee is available on the TU Delft website.

The Executive Board has accepted the report and wishes to express its gratitude to the committee for their work and for delivering a valuable assessment report. On the basis of the assessment report, additional information and the fruitful conversations during the on-campus site visit, the committee has provided comprehensive insights and recommendations that the department can use to its advantage.

The Executive Board is pleased to read that the committee considers the department strong, and in some case excellent, in research quality, societal relevance and viability. Furthermore, the Executive Board is pleased with the committee's description of a healthy and positive academic culture which allows faculty and students to thrive. The Executive Board wholeheartedly endorses the title of the assessment report as chosen by the committee "Knowledge worth sharing".

The Executive Board values the many and detailed recommendations made by the committee regarding among others attracting and keeping a diverse pool of talented researchers, professionalizing (targeted) outreach and implementing an outside-in approach to societal impact. The Executive Board also recognises the recurring concerns of the committee regarding teaching load. The multiple recommendations relating to this concern will form a good start to address this obstacle for the department's viability.

The Executive Board will further discuss the recommendations with the management of the Electrical Engineering, Mathematics & Computer Science Faculty.

On behalf of the Executive Board of Delft University of Technology,

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