

The University of Edinburgh

Electronic Senatus

**Report of Electronic Business of Senate conducted from
Tuesday 8 September to Wednesday 16 September 2015**

FORMAL BUSINESS

1. Minutes from the Senate Meeting 3 June 2015

Senate approved the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on 3 June 2015.

a. Special Meeting and Graduation Ceremonials on 26, 27, 29 and 30 June and 1, 2, 3 and 4 July 2015

The minutes of the Special Meetings and Graduation Ceremonials in June and July 2015 were taken as read and approved. It was noted that copies are available from Student Administration, Old College.

2. Membership of Senate

Senate noted the new professorial and student members.

3. Conferment of the title Emeritus Professor

Senate agreed to confer the title of Professor Emeritus on Professor J M Rotter, requesting that the Head of College prepare the Special Minute.

4. The University of Edinburgh Baseline Statement on Quality Arrangements

Senate approved the University of Edinburgh Baseline Statement on Quality Arrangements. Senate noted that the Statement had been transmitted in parallel to University Court.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

5. Annual Report to the Scottish Funding Council on Institution-led Review and Enhancement Activity 2014/15

Senate noted the Report and offered no observations for transmission to University Court.

6. Communications from the University Court

Senate noted the content of the report from the University Court on its meeting of 22 June 2015 and offered no observations on the draft resolution.

7. Resolutions – Chairs

Court presented to Senatus draft Resolutions in accordance with the procedures for the creation of new chairs, renaming of existing chairs and the process for personal chairs. Senatus, having considered the draft Resolutions below, offered no observations.

Draft Resolution No. 66/2015: Foundation of a Chair of Future Infrastructure
Draft Resolution No. 67/2015: Foundation of a Chair of Structural Engineering
Draft Resolution No.64/2015: Foundation of a Personal Chair of Biocatalysis
Draft Resolution No.65/2015: Foundation of a Personal Chair of Global Public Health

8. Report from the Central Academic Promotions Committee

Senate noted the report from the Central Academic Promotions Committee informing it of the award of two further out of cycle Personal Chairs.

9. Report of the Senate Exception Committee

Senate noted the business conducted by the Senate Exception Committee.

10. Quality Assurance Committee Terms of Reference

Senate approved a minor change to the current remit and terms of reference for the Senatus Quality Assurance Committee.

11. Senate Membership of the Knowledge Strategy Committee

Senate approved the Senate representation on Knowledge Strategy Committee.

12. Membership of the University Library Committee

Senate approved the membership of the University Library Committee for session 2105/16.