

Dear ladies and gentlemen, colleagues and guests,

Please allow me, as a member of the Academic Senate of our faculty to contribute to this event by adding several words.

Firstly I would like to welcome you and express thanks that you accepted our invitation to officially enter the new year. I hope for MTF and all employees and students, a very successful year ahead.

The turning point of the year is usually the time when we look back at the previous one or already finished year and take stock of what was successfully done, what not, what we were satisfied with, what less satisfied, or what we plan or wish the new year to be like. Also what level we would like to reach and what we want to avoid.

This is usually the way in which our new years wishes are expressed and I also tried to prepare something like this. After a little thought, I came to conclusion that such speeches are probably too often heard and I decided to throw it away and do it in a little bit of a different way. So, I will try to continue for my previous year's speech.

The only thought which I would like to preserve from my original speech it to express huge THANKS! Really sincerely I would like to thank you for all what have you achieved in 2011 for your faculty. As mentioned all achieved results (in the previous year that there were really many) are especially credit to you all.

Now, I would like to return to last year's speech. If any of you remember, I expressed three wishes for the institutions and people whom we really depend upon and are important to us. It was marvellous that all three wishes came true.

1. I wished our university to have a good rector. It was in a time, when the Academic Senate twice was not successful in rector elections, so the fulfilment of this wish did not seem to be at all easy. However, it was fulfilled!
2. I wished our university to be successful in all areas of its activity. According to the results introduced by our dean, also according to various evaluations of independent institutions – they were fulfilled.
3. Thirdly, I wished for our wonderful colleague, as badly as the previous year started for her, it so much better and more optimistically finished. I am the most satisfied from the fulfilment of this wish!

I do not declare that I feel like a goldfish, but as it is so appropriate, it would be a pity not to use it. By this I mean I have heard in your offices, in corridors, at various meetings, in our school canteen, what would you like to have less of and on the other side what would you like to have more of. So, my three wishes this year to all of us and to our faculty are as follows:

- less emails - more personal meetings,
- less abolishing and dismissing - more building and security,

- less competition and fighting - more cooperation, helpfulness and fellowship.

Short comments:

- emails & personal meetings

Probably many of us feel that electronic communication increases our personal communication. Probably we know the email addresses of almost all employees in our faculty, but we do not know what our colleagues look like and what they like. This is also the reason why I wish our faculty to find the time for common meetings, working with one another and creating a pleasant feeling environment and atmosphere at the faculty.

- abolishing and dismissing & building and security

Last year was abolished one of seven institutes of our faculty and not only from this reason 40 employees left the faculty. Firstly, I mention that it is a pity and secondly that human potential is for development of any organisation not substitutional. This is the reason why I wish our faculty to create such an external as well as internal environment which enables us to feel secure and gives us the ability to concentrate on fulfilling the complicated tasks which are before us this year.

- competition and fight & cooperation, helpfulness and fellowship

It was in good belief and endeavour to increase the faculty performance we set up the criteria for competition. Sometimes fighting against everybody appeared counterproductive. In 2012 I wish you more cooperation, helpfulness and fellowship, because only together do we have a chance to grow and we can together achieved wonderful things.

In conclusion: Different attributes are given to the year 2012. Some of them are even horrible. In spite of this tendency I think (at least here within the environment of our faculty) this year 2012 will be such as we make it together!

And if I really have to choose some comparison, I will use the Organisation of the United Nations. The General Assembly declared 2012 as the „International year of sustainable energy for everybody“. Probably they thought in a little bit of a different way, but I wish us all to have so much energy to manage this year in health, happiness, love and peace.

Now, I wish you a pleasant experience from the prepared programme and have a nice evening.

Thanks!