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Dear colleague,

On behalf of everyone involved in the Roeterseiland Campus redevelopment programme, we would like to wish you a warm welcome to the Roeterseiland Campus.

You have recently relocated to REC BCD, one of the buildings of the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences on this campus. This sub-project has been developed by several parties (F&C, FS, ICTS, UB and Real Estate Development) in close collaboration with the faculty.

As you know, and will soon experience for yourself, this is not the only building currently undergoing renovation; work is also being carried out on several other buildings here on the campus.

#### **Buildings under redevelopment.**

- Building A on Roetersstraat, future home to the Faculty of Law (planned completion summer 2016)
- Building E on Roetersstraat, home of the Faculty of Economics and Business (latest provisional planned completion summer 2015)
- Building L (formerly Building D), reconstruction for the Babylab (planned completion early autumn 2014)
- Building G on Nieuwe Prinsengracht, which will provide new accommodation for Psychology staff in the future (latest provisional completion date planned for end 2015/begin 2016)
- Building H, the new Library Learning Centre, also on Roetersstraat (planned completion September 2014)

Most of this redevelopment work largely consists of internal remodelling.

An exception is Building A – immediately adjacent to Building BCD – which is undergoing major reconstruction. Work of this scale inevitably causes inconvenience, particularly during demolition and the removal of asbestos, not only to you as a newcomer to the campus, but also to other UvA staff as well as local residents.

The majority of the demolition work has been scheduled to be completed as far as possible over the summer to prevent the inconvenience from continuing into the new academic year. However, the contractor has indicated that weeks 31 and 32 (28-7 t/m 8-8) will be a lot quieter as no demolition will take place during this period.

Since the commencement of the redevelopment work, the Real Estate Development division (HO) has, in close consultation with local residents and the city authorities, made agreements concerning the building work with the contractor (BAM) who is carrying out this work for the UvA.

#### **Agreements concerning building work.**

- Working hours are from 07.00 to 19.00
- Work likely to cause inconvenience may only be carried out between 08.00 and 16.00.
- Wherever possible, techniques and materials should be used that cause as little noise as possible.
- No work likely to cause noise may be carried out during exam periods.
- Noise levels will be monitored: microphones have been installed at the rear of the apartments on Sarphatistraat (adjacent to the construction site) and on the roof of Kriterion on Roetersstraat. This noise monitoring can be followed in real time via the website [www.uva.nl/Roeterseiland](http://www.uva.nl/Roeterseiland) under the button '*hoe hoog is het geluid vandaag*'.

#### **Work in the outdoor area.**

Besides the building work, the outdoor area of the campus is also being re-landscaped. Contractor Arcadis is carrying out new paving work and replacing cables. This work may also cause some inconvenience; for example access roads may be only partially accessible. The buildings themselves will be accessible at all times.

#### **Area management**

An area manager has been appointed for the period of reconstruction of the Roeterseiland Campus to ensure that the contractors keep to the agreements made and to advise the project manager and contractor about the execution of the work. Tasks of this area manager, Carin Bosboom, include keeping all the relevant parties informed as far as possible about the work taking place, by producing and distributing regular progress reports and working with communications advisers to provide maps showing access routes and clear signposting on the campus. The area manager also acts as the intermediary between the UvA and its neighbours and works to create more understanding for the projects. The area manager initiates cooperation and will occasionally organise extra activities such as a Christmas market, special projects with students and local business owners and guided tours of the site.

#### **Questions and comments**

If you have any questions, advice or comments, please contact the Roeterseiland Campus Area Manager Carin Bosboom, tel. 020 – 525 7704, or by e-mail at [gebiedsregisseur-roeterseiland-bb@uva.nl](mailto:gebiedsregisseur-roeterseiland-bb@uva.nl). More information about the development of the Roeterseiland Campus can be found at [www.uva.nl/roeterseiland](http://www.uva.nl/roeterseiland)

We kindly ask for your understanding for the current situation at the Roeterseiland Campus and hope that you will enjoy working in this beautifully renovated campus building!