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The Executive Board of the University of Amsterdam received the final evaluation report of the Psychology Research Institute (PsyRes) as part of the national Research Review Psychology for the period 2017-2022. An international peer review committee carried out the evaluation in 2023, using the Strategy Evaluation Protocol 2021-2027. The Executive Board wishes to express its gratitude to the peer review committee, chaired by Em. prof. dr. Klaas Sijtsma, for carrying out the evaluation.

The Executive Board is pleased to note that the committee considers the research quality at PsyRes to be outstanding, as evidenced by international benchmarks and rankings, grant acquisitions, the quality of publications and the large number of editorships and review boards. The societal relevance of research done at PsyRes, measures to improve its long-term viability, the (recent attempts to improve the) PhD community and the overall academic culture are also lauded by the committee.

The Executive Board supports the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences in using the recommendations of the evaluation report to further strengthen the performance of PsyRes, including striving towards conducting more directly socially relevant research without sacrificing its high-quality fundamental research, stronger support for early-career researchers, continuing efforts to promote DEI, clear communication regarding career prospects for staff, as well as creating more clarity regarding the requirements for PhD theses.

Yours sincerely,
The Executive Board

Prof. Edith H. Hooge
President