When I look back at 2018, I see pieces of a puzzle that are starting to form a whole. The University’s activities and important priorities are emerging more clearly. The basis is our focus on quality driven research, education and cooperation. During the year we have taken firm steps towards an increased internationalisation, stronger outreach commitments, and the aim to be a sustainable university.

2018 has also given us some challenges. In the world around us, we have seen that the freedom of research isn’t something that we should take for granted. Within the academia we are always open to criticism and debate, but we have to maintain a respectful discourse and we will never accept threats or hatred. During the autumn we have laid the foundation for a new vision and strategy work that will be based upon the University’s core values. Together we will form bold strategies to guide us and move forward our positions even more.

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