

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019
FOR
EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

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EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The advancement of education for the public benefit in the subject of survey research in particular but not exclusively by holding conferences, producing journals and other educational materials and by such other means as the trustees may determine.

The journal is edited by Ulrich Kohler of the University of Potsdam, Germany. The editor is supported by a multi-national panel of Associate Editors:

<https://ojs.ub.uni-konstanz.de/srm/about/editorialTeam>

ESRA's peer-reviewed journal aims to be a high quality scientific publication that will be of interest to researchers in all disciplines involved in the design, implementation and analysis of surveys.

The URL of the journal is: <https://ojs.ub.uni-konstanz.de/srm/>

ESRA organises an international conference every two years. The last conference was in 2019 and held in Zagreb. (<https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conferences/overview>).

ESRA also contributes to the organisation of smaller-scale conferences in years when its biennial conference does not take place. In 2018, it was a seed sponsor of the BigSurv18 conference, which was held in Barcelona.

ESRA also run an online mailing list - ESRAnet. This is an email discussion list where members can connect with colleagues to seek advice, share experiences and get the latest news about survey research in Europe. All ESRA members are automatically subscribed to ESRAnet on joining the association.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During 2019 ESRA have published 3 standard issues of the journal Survey Research Methods, containing 19 high-quality, peer-reviewed articles.

In addition, the 2019 ESRA conference took place in Zagreb, Croatia. (<https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conferences/overview>)

ERAnet continues to be a valuable source of information and support for ESRA members.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

The principal sources of funding during years when there is no conference is the annual membership fee. During years when there is a conference, the principal sources of funding are membership fees, registration fees and sponsorship.

Reserves policy

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves. The trustees are committed to maintaining reserves that will cover at least one year's operating costs as well as covering potential cashflow requirements during years where there is a conference.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution, and constitutes an association.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are appointed by the president, taking into account their skills and expertise.

Organisational structure

Charity is managed by a Committee and reports to a General Assembly of the members of the Association.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1150506

Principal address

University of Southampton
Southampton
Hampshire
SO17 1BJ

Trustees

G Durrant
DR C Roberts
Dr A Cernat
Dr G Nicolaas (resigned 15/7/2019)
Dr T Yan
Dr A Scherpenzeel
Dr U Kohler
Dr S Eckman
Dr V Lomazzi (appointed 15/7/2019)
Dr K Thomas (appointed 15/7/2019)
Dr T Smith
S Steinmetz (appointed 15/7/2019)
Dr V Toepoel (appointed 15/7/2019)
Dr E Gilbert (appointed 15/7/2019)
Dr A Kirchner
Dr M Haan
Dr S Douhou

Independent Examiner

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COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The charity commenced its charitable activities on 2nd November 2012.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

G Durrant - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of European Survey Research Association

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of European Survey Research Association (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Partridge
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19th April 2021

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019**

	Notes	2019 Unrestricted fund £	2018 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		23,330	8,610
Charitable activities			
Charitable activity		214,204	180,048
Total		<u>237,534</u>	<u>188,658</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activity		203,791	148,541
NET INCOME		<u>33,743</u>	<u>40,117</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		<u>234,602</u>	<u>194,485</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>268,345</u></u>	<u><u>234,602</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET
31ST DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	2019 Unrestricted fund £	2018 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	14,012	13,913
Cash at bank		258,288	341,688
		<u>272,300</u>	<u>355,601</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(3,955)	(120,999)
		<u>268,345</u>	<u>234,602</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>268,345</u>	<u>234,602</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		268,345	234,602
ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	6	(965)	-
		<u>267,380</u>	<u>234,602</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>267,380</u>	<u>234,602</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		267,380	234,602
		<u>267,380</u>	<u>234,602</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>267,380</u>	<u>234,602</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19th April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

G Durrant - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Going concern

The charity has prepared these accounts on a going concern basis, however there are material uncertainties in respect of COVID-19 and the trustees have taken into consideration the existing and potential effects of coronavirus on the activities of the charity in the future.

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2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st December 2019 nor for the year ended 31st December 2018.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st December 2019 nor for the year ended 31st December 2018.

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	8,610
Charitable activities	
Charitable activity	180,048
Total	<u>188,658</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Charitable activity	148,541
NET INCOME	<u>40,117</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	194,485
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>234,602</u></u>

4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019 £	2018 £
Other debtors	<u>14,012</u>	<u>13,913</u>

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5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019	2018
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,920	1
Taxation and social security	-	2,423
Other creditors	2,035	118,575
	<u>3,955</u>	<u>120,999</u>

6. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME

	2019	2018
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>965</u>	<u>-</u>

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/19	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/19
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	234,602	32,778	267,380
	<u>234,602</u>	<u>32,778</u>	<u>267,380</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>234,602</u>	<u>32,778</u>	<u>267,380</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	237,534	(204,756)	32,778
	<u>237,534</u>	<u>(204,756)</u>	<u>32,778</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,534</u>	<u>(204,756)</u>	<u>32,778</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/18	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/18
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	194,485	40,117	234,602
	<u>194,485</u>	<u>40,117</u>	<u>234,602</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>194,485</u>	<u>40,117</u>	<u>234,602</u>

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	188,658	(148,541)	40,117
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>188,658</u>	<u>(148,541)</u>	<u>40,117</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	194,485	72,895	267,380
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>194,485</u>	<u>72,895</u>	<u>267,380</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	426,192	(353,297)	72,895
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>426,192</u>	<u>(353,297)</u>	<u>72,895</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year the following payments were made to trustees for providing short course services to the charity. The legal authority is the Charities Act 2011.

Alexandru Cernat £742.23

Caroline Roberts £444.78

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019**

	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Subscriptions	23,330	8,610
Charitable activities		
Educational conference income	214,204	180,048
Total incoming resources	237,534	188,658
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Articles and publications	12,801	9,467
Website costs	8,140	3,955
Bank and merchant account fees	7,966	5,114
Exchange rate	3,330	2,477
Travel	4,846	1,263
Sponsorship costs	-	1,352
Educational conference costs	107,054	115,078
Professional fees	2,884	5,461
Consultancy fees	1,224	3,624
Administration	2,150	-
Return of seed funding	25,876	-
Profit share for 2018	15,928	-
Travel & stay grant	5,524	-
	197,723	147,791
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	6,068	750
Total resources expended	203,791	148,541
Net income	33,743	40,117

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements