REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. 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

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 held in 2021, as an online event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. (https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conferences/ESRA2021).

The conference was held over four days, with c.350 attendees registered. The next conference will be held in 2023, in-person in Milan.

ESRA also contributes to the organisation of smaller-scale conferences in years when its biennial conference does not take place.

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 2022 ESRA have published 3 standard issues of the journal Survey Research Methods, containing 21 high-quality, peer-reviewed articles.

Significant planning took place to organise the next biennial conference, taking place in 2023 in Milan. (https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conference/milan-2023/).

ESRAnet 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

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.

At 31 December 2022, the charity held £212,198 in reserves which is in line with the reserves policy as it can cover at least one year's operating costs.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

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

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Trustees

Dr T Yan

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Dr E Gilbert

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COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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	26th July 2023	
Approved by order of the board of trustees on .		and signed on its behalf by:

The charity commenced its charitable activities on 2 November 2012.

Dr E Gilbert - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the European Survey Research Association (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the 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 charity 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.

Nicholas Jones FCCA
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Dated: 4 August 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		Totals		
	Notes	2022	2021	
		£	£	
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies		890	10,532	
Charitiable activties				
Charitable activity		5,537	36,267	
TOTAL INCOME		6,426.86	46,799.00	
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EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitiable activties				
Charitiable activity		37,008	46,545	
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(30,581)	254	
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward		242,779	242,525	
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		212,198	242,779	

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
		£	£
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	4	14,352	14,122
Cash at bank		199,106	231,057
		213,458	245,179
NET CURRENT ASSETS		213,458	245,179
LIABILITIES:			
Accruals and deferred income	5	1,260 1,260	2,400 2,400
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		212,198	242,779
FUNDS: Unrestricted funds	6	212,198	242,779
TOTAL FUNDS		212,198	242,779

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26th July 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Dr E Gilbert - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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 Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial 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.

Subscription income is recognised on receipt.

Sponsorship income is recognised in the year that the sponsored event took place.

Educational conference fees are recognised at the point the conference took place.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

2. TRUSTEES'S REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees's expenses

During the year 3 trustees were reimbursed for travel expenses of £1,343 (2021 - £Nil).

3. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Total	Totals	
	2021	2020	
INCOME AND ENDOWNAFAITS FROM	£	£	
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	10 522	458	
Donations and legacies	10,532	458	
Charitiable activties			
Charitable activity	36,267	-	
TOTAL INCOME	46,799	458	
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitiable activties			
Charitiable activity	46,545	25,313	
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	254	(24,855)	
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	242,525	267,380	
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	242,779	242,525	
4. DEPTODS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2022	2024	
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Other debtors	14,352	14,122	
	17,002	17,122	
5. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	2022	2021	
	£	£	
Accruals and deferred income	1,260	2,400	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/2022 £	Incoming resources	Resources expended £	At 31/12/2022 £
Unrestricted Funds General fund	242,779	6,427	(37,008)	212,198
TOTAL FUNDS	242,779	6,427	(37,008)	212,198

COMPARATIVE MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/2021 £	Incoming resources	Resources expended £	At 31/12/2021 £
Unrestricted Funds General fund	242,525	46,799	(46,545)	242,779
TOTAL FUNDS	242,525	46,799	(46,545)	242,779

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021 - £Nil).

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Subscriptions	890	10,532
Characteristic and others		
Charitiable activities Educational conference income		24.075
Sponsorship income	- 5,537	24,975 11,292
Sponsorship income	5,537	36,267
	3,337	30,207
Total incoming resources	6,427	46,799
EXPENDITURE		
Charitiable activities		
Articles and publications	12,008	13,201
Computer costs	490	119
Website costs	7,979	7,757
Bank charges	745	2,063
Exchange rate	(444)	397
Educational conference costs	1,343	12,839
Sponsorship costs	2,320	6,154
Consultancy fees	5,101	-
Professional fees	879	753
	30,422	43,283
Support Costs		
Accounting and legal fees	1,460	3,262
Management fees	5,126	-
-	6,586	3,262
Total resources expanded	37,008	46,545
	37,000	
Net income/ (expenditure)	(30,581)	254