

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. 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 most recent conference was held in 2023 in Milan, Italy. (<https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conference/milan-2023>).

The conference was held over five days, with c.900 attendees registered. The next conference will be held in 2025 in Utrecht.

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

ESRA also sponsor survey-research related events and training courses.

ESRA 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.

ESRA also coordinates a podcast series, accessible to everyone, discussing cutting edge and topical survey research methods and issues.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During 2024 ESRA have published 3 issues of the journal Survey Research Methods, containing 17 high-quality, peer-reviewed articles.

The most recent conference was held across five days in 2023 in Milan, Italy.

(<https://www.europeansurveyresearch.org/conference/milan-2023>).

Around 900 attendees participated.

In 2024, ESRA also held a series of short courses in Ljubljana.

ESRA coordinates a podcast series, offering discussion on topical and cutting edge survey research methods and issues.

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 2024, the charity held £264,121 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

University of Southampton
Southampton
Hampshire
SO17 1BJ

Trustees

Dr U Kohler		Dr M Bergmann
Dr V Lomazzi	(President)	Dr A Wenz
Dr T Smith		Dr A Moretti
Professor S Steinmetz		Dr C Cornesse
Dr V Toepoel		Dr R Bautista
Dr E Gilbert	(Treasurer)	Dr T Buskirk
Dr A Gaia	(Secretary)	Dr P C Alvarez
Dr O Mazlovskaya		Dr M Hu
Dr D Seddig	(Conference Chair)	Dr A Schoua-Glusberg

Independent Examiner

Nicholas Jones FCCA
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COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The charity commenced its charitable activities on 2 November 2012.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on17...Mar:ch..2025..... and signed on its behalf by:

Signed by:

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Dr E Gilbert - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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 2024.

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.


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Dated: ..17..Mar.ch..2025.....

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Totals	
	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies	2,486	1,651
Charitable activities		
Charitable activity	2,585	294,914
TOTAL INCOME	5,071	296,565
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable activities		
Charitable activity	36,021	213,693
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(30,950)	82,872
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	295,070	212,198
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	264,121	295,070

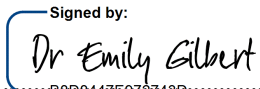
The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors	4	-	14,165
Cash at bank		265,774	282,731
		265,774	296,895
NET CURRENT ASSETS		265,774	296,895
LIABILITIES:			
Creditors	5	267	505
Accruals and deferred income	6	1,386	1,320
		1,653	1,825
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		264,121	295,070
FUNDS:			
Unrestricted funds	7	264,121	295,070
TOTAL FUNDS		264,121	295,070

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 17 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Signed by:

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Dr E Gilbert - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

EUROPEAN SURVEY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024****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 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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**2. TRUSTEES'S REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees's expenses

During the year 3 trustees (2023 - 3) were reimbursed for accommodation and consumables of £3,051 (2023 - £548).

3. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Totals	
	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies	1,651	890
Charitable activities		
Charitable activity	294,914	5,537
TOTAL INCOME	296,565	6,427
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable activities		
Charitable activity	213,693	37,008
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	82,872	(30,581)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	212,198	242,779
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	295,070	212,198
4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	-	14,165
5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	267	505
6. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,386	1,320

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01/01/2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31/12/2024 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	295,070	5,071	(36,021)	264,121
TOTAL FUNDS	295,070	5,071	(36,021)	264,121

COMPARATIVE MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01/01/2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31/12/2023 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	212,198	296,565	(213,693)	295,070
TOTAL FUNDS	212,198	296,565	(213,693)	295,070

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023 - £Nil).

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations and legacies	1,624	-
Subscriptions	862	1,651
	<u>2,486</u>	<u>1,651</u>
Charitable activities		
Educational conference income	835	269,254
Sponsorship income	1,750	25,661
	<u>2,585</u>	<u>294,914</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>5,071</u>	<u>296,565</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Articles and publications	6,418	12,561
Computer costs	629	547
Website costs	6,674	21,272
Bank charges	1,062	10,342
Exchange rate	429	187
Educational conference costs	9,833	158,687
Sponsorship costs	3,657	-
Consultancy fees	1,995	1,835
Professional fees	739	619
	<u>31,436</u>	<u>206,050</u>
Support Costs		
Accounting and legal fees	1,386	1,320
Management fees	3,199	6,324
	<u>4,585</u>	<u>7,644</u>
Total resources expanded	<u>36,021</u>	<u>213,693</u>
Net income/ (expenditure)	<u>(30,950)</u>	<u>82,872</u>