



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	April	2023		31	March	2024

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Institute for Aviation Research
Other names charity is known by	IAR
Registered charity number (if any)	1161611
Charity's principal address	Roxhill Manor Farm Roxhill Road Marston Moretaine Bedford Postcode MK43 0QG

#### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Prof Zheng Lei		11 May 2015 - Present	
Dr Cheung Kwok Law		11 May 2015 - Present	
Mrs Weihua Jiang		11 May 2015 - Present	
Dr John F O'Connell		1 April 2016 - Present	

### Section B Structure, governance and management

#### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Three trustees are founding trustees while the fourth one was elected by the other trustees

## Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

**The Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To advance education, for the benefit of the public, by promotion, on a non-political basis, of research into aviation and air transport ecosystem and to improve public understanding of aviation related issues through independent and rigorous research

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning the activities of the Institute.

In this financial year, we have published some important research papers on leading academic journals, well received by the aviation community. We have also initiated a major research project on global airport connectivity study.

Members of the IAR team were also invited to give talks at various seminars and events.

In this reporting period, IAR has made contribution to advance education, for the benefit of the public, by promotion, on a non-political basis, of research into aviation and air transport ecosystem and to improve public understanding of aviation related issues through independent and rigorous research.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

During this year, IAR has further strengthened its research activities and international outreach, and published a number of high quality papers in leading academic journals.

## Section E Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

IAR's policy on reserves is to hold funds for working capital purposes and as a contingency, should sufficient new funding not emerge.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

N.A.

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

**Signature(s)**



**Full name(s)**

Zheng Lei

**Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Chair

**Date**

31 January 2025



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Institute for Aviation Research

1161611

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

4/1/2023


To

3/31/2024

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	249	-	-	249	22,790
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	249	-	-	249	22,790
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	249	-	-	249	22,790
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Office equipment	96	-	-	96	-
Bank charges	108	-	-	108	-
Research	21,000	-	-	21,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	21,204	-	-	21,204	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	21,204	-	-	21,204	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	- 20,955	-	-	- 20,955	22,790
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	- 20,955	-	-	- 20,955	22,790

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash funds this year end	- 20,955	-	-
	Cash funds from previous years	22,790	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	1,835	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Zheng Lei	1/31/2025