

# UACES

England & Wales · Charity number 1163773

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2015-09-30

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT THROUGH THE PROMOTION OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES, AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS OBJECTIVE BUT NOT OTHERWISE:(1) TO MAINTAIN AND FOSTER LINKS BETWEEN UK UNIVERSITIES OR INSTITUTIONS AND THOSE IN OTHER COUNTRIES AS WELL AS WITH SUCH OTHER BODIES AS MAY BE THOUGHT FIT;(2) TO PROVIDE SUCH HELP AS MAY PROVE POSSIBLE TOWARDS THE PROMOTION OF CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES;(3) TO FOSTER COORDINATION OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH BY ALL APPROPRIATE MEANS INCLUDING THE ORGANISING OF MEETINGS AND SEMINARS;(4) TO ENCOURAGE THE DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH FINDINGS AND TO FOSTER DEBATE IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES BY ALL APPROPRIATE MEANS INCLUDING THE PUBLICATION AND CIRCULATION OF PAPERS AND THROUGH THE JCMS, JOURNAL OF COMMON MARKET STUDIES;(5) TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SUCCESSOR GENERATION OF TEACHERS AND RESEARCHERS IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES.

**Activities:** UACES (University Association for Contemporary European Studies) is the global membership organisation for academics, students and practitioners who are interested in all aspects of Europe and the European Union. Main activities: Organising events and conferences Providing funding for members' research activities Collaborating on the publication of books & journals Supporting Research Networks

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£415,616	£357,192	-	-
2023-12-31	£405,470	£340,634	-	-
2022-12-31	£354,231	£319,514	-	-
2021-12-31	£305,132	£258,138	-	-
2020-12-31	£386,606	£363,542	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Adetoun AA Haastrup		2024-09-01
Charlotte Amy Galpin		2025-09-01
Dr Koen Sloomaeckers		2020-09-01
Dr Viviane Gravey		2023-09-01
Filiz Dogan		2025-09-01
Laura Caroline Chappell		2025-09-01
Paul Stephenson		2024-09-01

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number: 1163773

# UACES

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

# UACES

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# UACES

## Reference and Administrative Details

### Trustees

Prof A Haastrup, Chair  
Dr R M Fernandez Martin, Treasurer  
Dr V Gravey, Secretary  
Dr K Sloopmaeckers  
Dr G Benedetto  
Dr S Ladi

### Charity Registration Number

1163773

### Principal Office

Idea Space  
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# UACES

## Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 2022 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises four elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI] Officer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group, the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion working group, and the Finance and Treasury working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.
- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies and Contemporary European Politics.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

#### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

- a) the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association
  - 1) We organised:
    - i. Graduate Forum Annual Conference 2024: European Futures: What Next Two Decades after the Eastern Enlargement: Rebuilding Europe After a Decade of Crisis. Vrije University 27-28 June 2024, 47 people attended.
    - ii. Doctoral Training Academy 2024: Navigating the Academic Landscape: Mastering Teaching and Research balance in European Studies. European Commission Representation the Czech Republic, Prague 28-29 November 2024, 50 people attended
    - iii. Hosted a peer mentor coffee break and a career workshop at the Annual Conference
    - iv. Provided travel grants to students participating in UACES activities
  - 2) We continued to operate the Euroresearch mailing list for postgraduate students.
  - 3) The Crossroads Europe blog continued to support the publication of research from our Graduate Forum members at <https://crossroads.ideasononeurope.eu/>.
  - 4) We launched a new BlueSky account.
  - 5) We continued to support the Graduate Forum Committee.
- b) The research events and the research conference
  - 1) The 54th Annual Conference was held at the University of Trento and was attended by 429 people. A separate virtual conference was held on 9 September and attracted 53 attendees.
  - 2) Three Research Networks continued their work in 2024
    - i. European Studies in a Relational Universe (RELATE)
    - ii. EUFutures
    - iii. Trade Implementation and Enforcement Research Network (TIER).
  - 3) Three new Research Networks began in 2024:
    - i. EU Health Governance
    - ii. Securing Europe
    - iii. Rethinking Europe's East-West Divide
  - 4) UACES continued to implement changes to the funding requirements to Research Networks to ensure responsiveness to themes in the discipline and their longevity beyond initial funding periods.
- c) The publication policy of UACES
  - 1) The JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies published 100 articles in 2024 including a special issue entitled Geo-economic Turn of the Single Market in July.
  - 2) We launched a new Gold Open Access journal: Contemporary European Studies (CEP) in January 2023 published in collaboration with Wiley-Blackwell. CEP published 8 articles in 2024.
  - 3) We continued to publish our book series, Contemporary European Studies (CES) in partnership with Routledge.
- d) Relations with other associations  
UACES continues to maintain links with:  
the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES)  
the British International Studies Association (BISA)  
the Political Studies Association (PSA)

the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)  
the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)  
the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)  
the International Studies Association (ISA)  
and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

e) Communication between the Committee and the members

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list, social media and the UACES website.

f) Our membership

As of 31 December 2024, membership of UACES was 943. The membership comprises 377 Individual, 104 Early Career, 160 PhD Researcher, 24 Student, 52 Affiliate and 226 individuals who avail of group membership of which we have 33 institutions. 65% of members based outside the UK.

g) Our public profile

The UACES Office continued to raise the online profile of the Association via the website and social media throughout the reporting period. The Association's digital presence continues to strengthen our position as a leading voice in European studies, supporting both member engagement and broader academic outreach.

h) Prizes

UACES awarded three prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: Best PhD Thesis, Best Book and a Lifetime Achievement Award.

## 5. Financial Review

a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

b) Funding Sources

1) UACES was the recipient of a grant from the James Madison Charitable Trust which provided funding for various UACES activities starting in the 2019-2020 financial year. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic this funding was extended to cover some activities up to and including 2024.

2) Income from the profit of JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover all UACES activities.

c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Microgrants

d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees. Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

e) Reserves

UACES's reserves are currently in a healthy position. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the move within academic publishing towards Open Access research. UACES continues to build its reserves in the expectation that income from membership, EU grants and journal subscriptions are liable to reduce dramatically over the next 5-10 years.

The Trustees agreed to use some reserves to invest in a new membership CRM system. This strategic investment is designed to improve membership recruitment and retention capabilities, enhance member services, and provide better data management tools to support the organisation's long-term sustainability.

f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010 under the guidance of an Independent Financial Adviser. In June 2016, on advice from our Independent Financial Adviser, the decision was made to close the Investment Portfolio entirely to improve cash flow.

Current Investment Approach

UACES currently maintains four savings accounts that, while offering limited financial returns, provide the operational benefit of easy access and improved cash flow management.

A Finance and Treasury Working Group was introduced to begin a review of potential investment opportunities.

g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

1. End of external grant funding  
2024 marked the final year that UACES received external grant funding from the Jean Monnet Programme, European Commission and the James Madison Charitable Trust. Over the last 20 years, UACES had been the recipient of numerous grants from the Jean Monnet programme of the European Union. In 2021, the grant programme changed and no longer includes the Jean Monnet Projects or Support to Association funding streams that have been used by UACES in the past. With no further applicable funding streams available and the conclusion of our James Madison Charitable Trust funding, UACES will, in the interim rely entirely on membership fees, conference income, and journal revenues. The Trustees and staff are actively investigating opportunities to diversify income streams whilst simultaneously reviewing current activities to ensure they remain financially viable within reduced budgetary constraints. This approach will help UACES to ensure financial sustainability, maintain our core activities and continue to support important programmes.
2. The shift to Open Access publishing  
Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies to prepare for this change and launched Contemporary European Politics, a Gold Open Access journal in 2023. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES, the staff and Trustees continue to monitor these changes closely.
3. Membership of UACES  
Staff and Trustees continue to monitor the Association's membership retention and recruitment and considering ways to boost membership numbers going forwards. UACES's raison d'être is its members so it is very important that we explore all methods for growth in this area.
4. University sector financial pressures  
Universities globally, particularly in the UK and Netherlands are experiencing financial challenges. These include reduced funding, declining international student enrolments, increased operational costs and budget constraints that directly impact academic departments and individual researchers and students. As universities implement cost-cutting measures, there is increased pressure on academic staff travel budgets, conference attendance funding, and memberships to professional associations. These sector-wide financial pressures pose risks to UACES through potential membership attrition, reduced conference participation and limited capacity for academics to engage in association activities. The Trustees recognise that supporting members through these challenging times while maintaining financial sustainability requires careful balance.

## 6. Plans for the Future

The newly elected Chair took up their post on 1 September 2024 and hosted a comprehensive strategy workshop in October 2024 to engage trustees, Committee members and staff in defining UACES' strategic focus for the period 2025-2028. While this report covers the final year of the previous Chair's term, this collaborative planning process will inform the organisation's future direction as it navigates the evolving landscape of European studies and addresses the financial challenges outlined in this report.

### a) Ongoing activities

UACES will continue to consolidate its core activities including conferences, publications, member services and its commitment to EDI as the foundation for future strategic development under the new Chair's leadership.

### b) Focus during 2021-2024 (previous Chair's term of office) on the following areas:

- Strengthening the internal operation and organisation of the Association – making sure that UACES has a strong core for the work that it does, optimising and diversifying UACES's income stream and making the most of the virtual side of the organisation.
- Optimising provision for UACES members – ensuring the organisation is a 'home' for members and place for them to support each other.
- Embedding our EDI policy to ensure that we offer maximum benefit for all our members.
- Promoting UACES within wider networks – ensuring UACES plays more of a role within both public and professional debates, increasing collaboration with sister organisations both in the UK and wider Europe, developing social media tools and promoting the work of members and their appearances in public forums.

The annual report was approved by the Trustees of the charity on 09/24/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



[.Viviane.Gravey.\(Sep.25,2025 09:36:04 GMT+1\)](#)

**Dr Viviane Gravey**

Secretary



**Professor A Hastrup**

Chair

## UACES

### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2022, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable organisation's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

09/24/2025

Approved by the trustees of the charity on ..... and signed on its behalf by:



[Viviane Gravey \(Sep 25, 2025 09:36:04 GMT+1\)](#)

**Dr Viviane Gravey**

Secretary

# UACES

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UACES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of UACES for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of UACES you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2022 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the UACES's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2022 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

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 UACES 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 accounting 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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M Winkelmann FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
ICAEW

Henry and Banwell  
26 Berkeley Square  
Bristol  
BS8 1HP

Date:.....

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		-	21,251	21,251
Charitable activities		113,305	-	113,305
Other trading activities		270,654	-	270,654
Investment income	4	10,406	-	10,406
<b>Total income</b>		<b>394,365</b>	<b>21,251</b>	<b>415,616</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(335,941)	(21,251)	(357,192)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>(335,941)</b>	<b>(21,251)</b>	<b>(357,192)</b>
Net income		58,424	-	58,424
Net movement in funds		58,424	-	58,424
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		532,934	-	532,934
Total funds carried forward	16	591,358	-	591,358
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		350	56,133	56,483
Charitable activities		113,118	-	113,118
Other trading activities		231,683	-	231,683
Investment income	4	4,186	-	4,186
<b>Total income</b>		<b>349,337</b>	<b>56,133</b>	<b>405,470</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(284,501)	(56,133)	(340,634)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>(284,501)</b>	<b>(56,133)</b>	<b>(340,634)</b>
Net income		64,836	-	64,836
Net movement in funds		64,836	-	64,836
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		468,098	-	468,098
Total funds carried forward	16	532,934	-	532,934

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2023 is shown in note 16.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	12,011	8,016
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	292,966	259,261
Cash at bank and in hand	14	<u>355,877</u>	<u>339,045</u>
		648,843	598,306
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<u>(69,496)</u>	<u>(73,388)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>579,347</u>	<u>524,918</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>591,358</u>	<u>532,934</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>591,358</u>	<u>532,934</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	16	<u>591,358</u>	<u>532,934</u>

The financial statements on pages 11 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 09/24/2025  
and signed on their behalf by:



.....  
Professor A Haastrup  
Trustee



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Dr R M Fernandez Martin  
Trustee

# UACES

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

### 1 Accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2022.

#### Basis of preparation

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

#### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### *Donations and legacies*

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

#### *Grants receivable*

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

#### *Charitable activities*

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable organisation for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

#### Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### Financial instruments

##### Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

##### Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

## 2 Income from donations and legacies

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds £</b>
Grants, including capital grants; Government grants	-	21,251	21,251
<b>Total for 2024</b>	-	21,251	21,251
<b>Total for 2023</b>	350	56,133	56,483

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and Grants	-	21,251	21,251
Conference and Events	74,332	-	74,332
Membership subscriptions	38,973	-	38,973
Journal publication	270,654	-	270,654
Investment income	10,406	-	10,406
<b>Total for 2024</b>	394,365	21,251	415,616
<b>Total for 2023</b>	349,337	56,133	405,470

#### 4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	10,406	10,406
<b>Total for 2024</b>	10,406	10,406
<b>Total for 2023</b>	4,186	4,186

#### 5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Conferences and Events	87,368	-	87,368
Student Support	27,020	-	27,020
Membership and administration	191,937	21,251	213,188
Journal publication	29,616	-	29,616
<b>Total for 2024</b>	335,941	21,251	357,192
<b>Total for 2023</b>	284,501	56,133	340,634

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 6 Independent examiner fees

Examination of the financial statements

**Total for 2024**                      **£2,976**

**Total for 2023**                      **£2,712**

#### 7 Government grants

Four sources of grants were accessed in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £21,251 (2023 - £56,133).

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

##### **Dr V Gravey**

£608 (2023: £465) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr V Gravey during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr K Sloodmaeckers**

£605 (2023: £110) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Sloodmaeckers during the year.

Travel expense

##### **Dr G Benedetto**

£37 (2023: £42) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr G Benedetto during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr R M Fernandez Martin**

£909 (2023: £1,035) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr R M Fernandez Martin during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr A Haastrup**

£808 (2023: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr A Haastrup during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Prof S Usherwood**

£Nil (2023: £360) of expenses were reimbursed to Prof S Usherwood during the year.

Travel expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	148,658	139,867

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2024 No	2023 No
Administration	1	1
Charitable Activities	3	3
	4	4

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £12,583 (2023 - £11,882).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

#### 10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Examination of the financial statements	2,712	2,712

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2024	59,124	59,124
Additions	14,859	14,859
At 31 December 2024	<u>73,983</u>	<u>73,983</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2024	51,108	51,108
Charge for the year	10,864	10,864
At 31 December 2024	<u>61,972</u>	<u>61,972</u>
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 December 2024	<u>12,011</u>	<u>12,011</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>8,016</u>	<u>8,016</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	-	4,114
Prepayments	549	5,643
Other debtors	292,417	249,504
	<u>292,966</u>	<u>259,261</u>

#### 14 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash on hand	463	213
Cash at bank	355,414	338,832
	<u>355,877</u>	<u>339,045</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	10,793	6,632
Other creditors	50,974	64,236
Accruals	7,729	2,520
	69,496	73,388

#### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	532,934	394,365	(335,941)	591,358
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	21,251	(21,251)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	532,934	415,616	(357,192)	591,358
	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	468,098	349,337	(284,501)	532,934
<b>Restricted</b>				
European Commission	-	56,133	(56,133)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	468,098	405,470	(340,634)	532,934

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the year from the European Commission and from the James Madison Charitable Trust.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

#### 17 Analysis of net funds

	<b>At 1 January 2024 £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2024 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	339,045	355,877
Net debt	339,045	355,877

	<b>At 1 January 2023 £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2023 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	325,708	339,045
Net debt	325,708	339,045

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	-	350
Charitable activities	113,305	113,118
Other trading activities	270,654	231,683
Investment income	10,406	4,186
Total income	<u>394,365</u>	<u>349,337</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(335,941)</u>	<u>(284,501)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(335,941)</u>	<u>(284,501)</u>
Net income	<u>58,424</u>	<u>64,836</u>
Net movement in funds	58,424	64,836
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>532,934</u>	<u>468,098</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>591,358</u>	<u>532,934</u>

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

	<b>Total Restricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total Restricted Funds 2023 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	21,251	56,133
Total income	<u>21,251</u>	<u>56,133</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(21,251)</u>	<u>(56,133)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(21,251)</u>	<u>(56,133)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>











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# UACES

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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# UACES

## Reference and Administrative Details

### **Trustees**

Prof S Usherwood, Chair

Dr K Sloomaeckers

Dr R M Fernandez Martin

Dr G Benedetto

Dr S Ladi

Dr V Gravey

### **Charity Registration Number**

1163773

### **Principal Office**

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Chartered Accountant  
Henry and Banwell  
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# UACES

## Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 1993 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises four elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI] Officer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group, the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion working group, and the Teaching and Learning working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.
- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

## Trustees' Report (continued)

### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

- a) the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association
- UACES continued to use the grant received from the European Union Erasmus+ programme, Jean Monnet Support for Associations to support our activities.

We organised:

- i) Graduate Forum Annual Conference 2023: Rebuilding Europe After a Decade of Crisis IBEI, Barcelona 8-9 June 2023 26 people attended
- ii) Doctoral Training Academy 2023: Enhancing Academic Skills Brussels 24 November 2023 48 people attended
- iii) Two workshops at the Annual Conference discussing career opportunities in and out of academia.
- iv) Ask the editors webinar 3 May 2023
- v) Provided travel grants to students participating in UACES activities.

We continued to operate the Euroresearch mailing list for postgraduate students.

The Crossroads Europe blog continued to support the publication of research from our Graduate Forum members at <https://crossroads.ideasoneuropa.eu/>.

We launched new Instagram and Telegram accounts.

We continued to support the Graduate Forum Committee.

b) The research events and the research conference

- 1) The 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference was held at Queen's University Belfast and was attended by 343 people. A separate virtual conference was held.
- 2) Three Research Networks continued their work in 2023
  - i. European Studies in a Relational Universe (RELATE)
  - ii. EUFutures
  - iii. Trade Implementation and Enforcement Research Network (TIER).
- 3) UACES implemented changes to the funding requirements for Research Networks to improve their legacy and responsiveness.

c) The publications policy of UACES

- 1) The *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* published 107 articles in 2023 including a special issue entitled *Geo-economic Turn of the Single Market* in March.
- 2) The *Journal of Contemporary European Research* (JCER) was closed, with articles still being available online for archival purposes.
- 3) We launched a new Gold Open Access journal: *Contemporary European Studies* (CEP) in January 2023 and published in collaboration with Wiley-Blackwell. The editorial team includes Dr Bruno Theodoro Luciano, Dr Christopher Huggins and Dr Natasza Styczyńska.
- 4) We continued to publish our book series, *Contemporary European Studies* (CES) in partnership with Routledge.

## Trustees' Report (continued)

### d) Relations with other associations

UACES maintained links with:

- the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES)
- the British International Studies Association (BISA)
- the Political Studies Association (PSA)
- the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)
- the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)
- the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)
- the International Studies Association (ISA)
- and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

### e) Communication between the Committee and the members

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list, social media and the UACES website.

### f) Our membership

As of 19 December 2023, membership of UACES was 873, a 14% decrease from 1018 the previous year. The membership comprises 458 Individual, 128 Early Career, 196 PhD Researcher, 19 Student, 14 Affiliate and 58 Group members, with 63% of members based outside the UK.

### g) Our public profile

The UACES Office continued to raise the online profile of the Association via the website and social media.

A Social Media Assistant was recruited to increase the readership and impact of *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* and *Contemporary European Politics* (CEP).

### h) Prizes

UACES awarded four prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: *Best PhD Thesis*, *Best Book*, the *JCER Prize* and a *Lifetime Achievement Award*.

## Trustees' Report (continued)

### 5. Financial Review

#### a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

#### b) Funding Sources

- 1) The following Jean Monnet Funded Projects ended in 2023:
  - i. Diversity, Inclusion and Multidisciplinarity in European Studies (DIMES)<sup>1</sup>
  - ii. Securing a Future for European Studies (SaFES)<sup>2</sup>
- 2) European Commission funding for Graduate Forum events ended in 2023 and will continue to be self-funded by UACES from 2024 onwards.
- 3) UACES was the recipient of a grant from the James Madison Charitable Trust which will provide funding for various UACES activities starting in the 2019-2020 financial year. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this funding was extended to cover some activities up to and including 2024.
- 4) In conjunction with 10 partners, UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project<sup>3</sup> commencing in the 2019-2020 financial year. This project has been extended until 2024 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.
- 5) Income from the profit of *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover administration and management of the Association.

#### c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Microgrants

#### d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees.

Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

#### e) Reserves

UACES's reserves are currently in a healthy position, following a setback in 2015 after the payment of a large pension deficit. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the move within academic publishing towards open access research. UACES continues to build its reserves in the expectation that income from membership, EU grants and journal subscriptions are liable to reduce dramatically over the next 5-10 years.

#### f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010, the management of which was done with the advice of an Independent Financial Adviser. In October 2015, half of the investment portfolio was sold. In June 2016 the decision was taken to close the Investment Portfolio entirely. The decision was taken on the advice of our Independent Financial Adviser and it was done with the aim of improving cash flow. UACES realised a small gain from the sale of £3,972.

## Trustees' Report (continued)

### g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

#### i. The recent changes to the Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union

Over the last twenty years, UACES has been the recipient of numerous grants from the Jean Monnet programme of the European Union. In 2021 the grant programme changed and no longer includes the Jean Monnet Projects or Support to Association funding streams that have been used by UACES in the past. If the funding streams offered by the Jean Monnet programme continues in this way, there will be no further streams to which UACES can apply. This could have an impact on the activities we run for Graduate students and Early-career researchers, many of which have been previously funded by the Jean Monnet programme.

#### ii. The shift to Open Access publishing

Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the *JCMS Journal of Common Market Studies* to prepare for this change and launched a Gold Open Access journal in 2023. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES, the staff and Trustees continue to monitor these changes closely.

#### iii. Membership of UACES

Whilst membership of UACES had been stabilising, 2023 saw a small drop in membership numbers. Staff and trustees are monitoring the situation and considering ways to boost membership numbers going forwards. UACES's raison d'etre is its members so it is very important that we explore all methods for growth in this area.

## Trustees' Report (continued)

### 6. Plans for the Future

#### a) Consolidate existing activities:

- running conferences, small events, seminars and networking activities
- expanding our range of virtual events.
- supporting and developing UACES publications - in particular, promoting the new journal *Contemporary European Politics*.
- improving the UACES membership database in order to improve membership recruitment and retention
- supporting the Graduate Forum and continuing to promote its rebranded image
- disseminate information to members effectively
- focus on improving the diversity of UACES's members and participants at its conferences. We are particularly keen to encourage academics and students from historically under-represented backgrounds to attend our events and participate in our activities

#### b) Focus during 2021-2024 (current Chair's term of office) on the following areas:

- strengthening the internal operation and organisation of the Association - making sure that UACES has a strong core for the work that it does, optimising and diversifying UACES's income stream and making the most of the virtual side of the organisation.
- optimising provision for UACES members - ensuring the organisation is a 'home' for members and place for them to support each other.
- embedding our EDI policy to ensure that we offer maximum benefit for all our members.
- promoting UACES within wider networks - ensuring UACES plays more of a role within both public and professional debates, increasing collaboration with sister organisations both in the UK and wider Europe, developing social media tools and promoting the work of members and their appearances in public forums.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on ~~24-Sep-2024~~ and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
Dr R M Fernandez Martin  
Treasurer



.....  
Dr V Gravey  
Secretary

## UACES

### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on ~~24-Sep-2024~~ signed on its behalf by:

Rosa Maria Ferna

Dr R M Fernandez Martin  
Trustee

Viviane Gravey

Dr V Gravey  
Trustee

## UACES

### Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of UACES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of UACES for the year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of UACES 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 UACES'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

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 UACES 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 accounting 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.

.....  
M Winkelmann FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
ICAEW

Henry and Banwell  
26 Berkeley Square  
Bristol  
BS8 1HP

Date:.....

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		350	56,133	56,483
Charitable activities		113,118	-	113,118
Other trading activities		231,683	-	231,683
Investment income	4	4,186	-	4,186
<b>Total income</b>		<b>349,337</b>	<b>56,133</b>	<b>405,470</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(284,501)	(56,133)	(340,634)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>(284,501)</b>	<b>(56,133)</b>	<b>(340,634)</b>
Net income		64,836	-	64,836
Net movement in funds		64,836	-	64,836
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		468,098	-	468,098
Total funds carried forward	16	532,934	-	532,934
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		159	46,105	46,264
Charitable activities		79,752	-	79,752
Other trading activities		225,774	-	225,774
Investment income	4	2,441	-	2,441
<b>Total income</b>		<b>308,126</b>	<b>46,105</b>	<b>354,231</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(273,409)	(46,105)	(319,514)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>(273,409)</b>	<b>(46,105)</b>	<b>(319,514)</b>
Net income		34,717	-	34,717
Net movement in funds		34,717	-	34,717
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		433,381	-	433,381
Total funds carried forward	16	468,098	-	468,098

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2022 is shown in note 16.

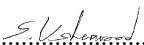
The notes on pages 12 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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### (Registration number: 1163773) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	8,016	9,199
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	259,261	235,429
Cash at bank and in hand	14	339,045	325,708
		<u>598,306</u>	<u>561,137</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<u>(73,388)</u>	<u>(102,238)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>524,918</u>	<u>458,899</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>532,934</u>	<u>468,098</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>532,934</u>	<u>468,098</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	16	<u>532,934</u>	<u>468,098</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 22 were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on ~~24-Sep-2024~~ and signed on their behalf by:

  
.....  
Prof S Usherwood  
Chair

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

### 1 Accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### Basis of preparation

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

#### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### *Donations and legacies*

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

#### *Grants receivable*

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

#### *Charitable activities*

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

#### Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### Financial instruments

##### Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

##### Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

## 2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	350	-	350
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	-	56,133	56,133
<b>Total for 2023</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>56,133</b>	<b>56,483</b>
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>46,105</b>	<b>46,264</b>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and Grants	350	56,133	56,483
Conference and Events	80,509	-	80,509
Membership subscriptions	32,609	-	32,609
Journal publication	231,683	-	231,683
Investment income	4,186	-	4,186
<b>Total for 2023</b>	349,337	56,133	405,470
<b>Total for 2022</b>	308,126	46,105	354,231

#### 4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	4,186	4,186
<b>Total for 2023</b>	4,186	4,186
<b>Total for 2022</b>	2,441	2,441

#### 5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Conferences and Events	77,983	-	77,983
Student Support	22,143	-	22,143
Membership and administration	158,888	56,133	215,021
Journal publication	25,487	-	25,487
<b>Total for 2023</b>	284,501	56,133	340,634
<b>Total for 2022</b>	273,409	46,105	319,514

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 6 Analysis of governance and support costs

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total funds £</b>
Independent examiner fees; Examination of the financial statements	2,712	2,712
<b>Total for 2023</b>	<u>2,712</u>	<u>2,712</u>
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<u>3,951</u>	<u>3,951</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 7 Government grants

Four sources of grants were accessed in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £56,133 (2022 - £45,684).

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

##### **Prof S Usherwood**

£360 (2022: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Prof S Usherwood during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr R M Fernandez Martin**

£1,035 (2022: £196) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr R M Fernandez Martin during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr V Gravey**

£465 (2022: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr V Gravey during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr K Sloopmaeckers**

£110 (2022: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Sloopmaeckers during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr G Benedetto**

£42 (2022: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr G Benedetto during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Prof R Guerrina**

£Nil (2022: £540) of expenses were reimbursed to Prof R Guerrina during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr J Mawdsley**

£Nil (2022: £444) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr J Mawdsley during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr K Simpson**

£Nil (2022: £479) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Simpson during the year.

Travel expenses

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	139,867	108,916

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full-time equivalents was as follows:

	2023 No	2022 No
Administration	1	1
Charitable Activities	3	2
	4	3

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £11,882 (2022 - £9,275).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

#### 10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2023 £	2022 £
Examination of the financial statements	2,712	2,292

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Computer equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2023	59,880	59,880
Additions	5,728	5,728
At 31 December 2023	65,608	65,608
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2023	50,681	50,681
Charge for the year	6,911	6,911
At 31 December 2023	57,592	57,592
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 December 2023	8,016	8,016
At 31 December 2022	9,199	9,199

#### 13 Debtors

	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Trade debtors	4,114	2,212
Prepayments	5,643	2,737
Other debtors	249,504	230,480
	259,261	235,429

#### 14 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Cash on hand	213	1,235
Cash at bank	338,832	324,473
	339,045	325,708

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	6,632	1,622
Other creditors	64,236	92,327
Accruals	2,520	8,289
	73,388	102,238

#### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	468,098	349,337	(284,501)	532,934
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	56,133	(56,133)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	468,098	405,470	(340,634)	532,934
	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	433,381	308,126	(273,409)	468,098
<b>Restricted</b>				
European Commission	-	46,105	(46,105)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	433,381	354,231	(319,514)	468,098

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the year from the European Commission and from the James Madison Charitable Trust.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

#### 17 Analysis of net funds

	<b>At 1 January 2023 £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2023 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	325,708	325,708
Net debt	325,708	325,708

	<b>At 1 January 2022 £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2022 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	327,234	327,234
Net debt	327,234	327,234

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2022 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	350	159
Charitable activities	113,118	79,752
Other trading activities	231,683	225,774
Investment income	4,186	2,441
Total income	<u>349,337</u>	<u>308,126</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(284,501)</u>	<u>(273,409)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(284,501)</u>	<u>(273,409)</u>
Net income	<u>64,836</u>	<u>34,717</u>
Net movement in funds	64,836	34,717
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>468,098</u>	<u>433,381</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>532,934</u>	<u>468,098</u>

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)

	Total Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Restricted Funds 2022 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	56,133	46,105
Total income	56,133	46,105
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	(56,133)	(46,105)
Total expenditure	(56,133)	(46,105)
Net income/(expenditure)	-	-
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds carried forward	-	-












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Annual Report and Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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## Reference and Administrative Details

<b>Trustees</b>	Dr K Simpson Dr B Farrand Prof R Guerrina Dr K Sloodmaeckers Prof S Usherwood, Chair Dr R M Fernandez Martin Dr G Benedetto Dr S Ladi
<b>Secretary</b>	Dr K Simpson
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1163773
<b>Principal Office</b>	Idea Space 83 Lavender Hill London SW11 5QL
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	M Winkelmann FCA Chartered Accountant Henry and Banwell 26 Berkeley Square Bristol BS8 1HP

# UACES

## Trustees' Report

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

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 1993 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises four elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI] Officer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group, the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion working group, and the Teaching and Learning working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.

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## Trustees' Report (continued)

- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

a) the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association

- UACES received a grant from the European Union Erasmus+ programme, Jean Monnet Support for Associations, which included funding for Graduate Forum events. In 2022 together with the UACES Graduate Forum, UACES organised several events specifically for postgraduate students, including a series of research seminars (hosted virtually), 2 Doctoral Training Academies (1 virtually in January 2022 and 1 at the University of Surrey in December 2022) and a research conference held at Maastricht University in June 2022.
- We continued to operate EuroResearch, the email list specifically for postgraduate students;
- Crossroads Europe, the Graduate Forum blog, continued to thrive on our blog platform [www.ideasononeurope.eu](http://www.ideasononeurope.eu).
- UACES self-funded four travel scholarships for PhD students to complete research work in the field of European Studies;
- In 2018, a part of our effort to improve the diversity of European Studies, UACES began reserving scholarships specifically for BIPOC students and those who work outside of Western Europe and North America. This initiative continued in 2022.
- UACES continued the Luke Foster JCER Best Article prize which is awarded to the best article published by a PhD student or Early-Career Researcher in our open-access journal JCER. The 2022 prize was awarded to Raquel Vega Rubio, Alvaro Oleart and Kolja Raube for their article 'Parties in the "twilight zone": Beyond first and second-order elections for the 2019 European Parliament elections in Spain'.
- Contributions towards travel expenses were also made available for those students attending events supported by UACES.

b) the research events and the research conference;

- The 52nd Annual Conference was held at ESPOL, Lille and was attended by 330 people. A separate virtual day was held on 8 September and attracted 40 attendees;
- Three new *Collaborative Research Networks* were established, in addition to the networks already running. One of the new networks was supported by the James Madison Charitable Trust. The networks which were awarded funding in 2022 were:
  - European Studies in a Relational Universe (RELATE)
  - EUFutures (supported by the James Madison Charitable Trust)
  - Trade Implementation and Enforcement Research Network (TIER)

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### Trustees' Report (continued)

c) the publications policy of UACES;

- The *Journal of Common Market Studies* (JCMS) which includes the *Annual Review of the EU* continues to thrive. A new editorial team was chosen in 2022: Prof Paul James Cardwell (King's College London), Prof Roberta Guerrina (University of Bristol) and Dr Gabriel Siles-Brugge (University of Warwick).
- The open access, online-only *Journal of Contemporary European Research* (JCER) continued to be published. However, the association is in the process of winding down the journal.
- In 2022 UACES began talks with Wiley to start a new open access journal, *Contemporary European Politics*. A contract was signed with Wiley in Summer 2022 and the journal was expected to launch in early 2023.
- In partnership with Routledge, the *Contemporary European Studies* (CES) book series which published 2 new books in 2022. In 2022, a new team of editors was recruited for the journal: Dr Eleanor Brooks (University of Edinburgh), Prof Ben Farrand (Newcastle University), Prof Helena Farrand Carrapico (Northumbria University) and Dr Benjamin Martill (University of Edinburgh).

d) relations with other associations;

UACES maintained links with:

- the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES)
- the British International Studies Association (BISA)
- the Political Studies Association (PSA)
- the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)
- the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)
- the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)
- the International Studies Association (ISA)
- and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

e) communication between the Committee and the members;

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list, social media and the UACES website.

f) our membership;

At 30 September 2021 membership of UACES was 1018, a 5% decrease from 1072 the previous year. The membership comprises 562 Individual, 146 Early Career, 217 PhD Researcher, 24 Student, 7 Affiliate and 62 Group members, with over 60% of members based outside the UK.

g) our public profile;

- The Office staff at UACES (in particular the Digital Communications Manager) have been working hard to raise the online profile of UACES. This has been achieved through increased use of social media and sharing of multimedia content. The UACES LinkedIn profile is a growth area, with 990 followers.

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## Trustees' Report (continued)

- The online profile of UACES and its associated journals and activities has increased, through more effective use of social media and multimedia content;
- IdeasonEurope.eu, our open access hosting platform for blogs on Europe continues to be popular for readers and authors and has over 12,000 followers on Twitter;

h) prizes;

UACES awarded five prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: *Best PhD Thesis*, *Best Book*, the *JCMS Prize*, the *JCER Prize* and a *Lifetime Achievement Award*.

### 5. Financial Review

a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

b) Funding Sources

UACES was the recipient of a grant from the James Madison Charitable Trust which will provide funding for various UACES activities starting in the 2019-2020 financial year. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this funding was extended to cover some activities up to and including 2024.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a two-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 3 events and a journal special issue (*Diversity, Inclusion and Multidisciplinarity in European Studies* (DIMES)). The project has been extended until 2023 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 6 Graduate Forum events, 4 seminars in Brussels and 2 Research Networks (*Securing a Future for European Studies* (SaFES)). Awarded €50,000 over 3 years). The funding for this project ends in October 2023.

In conjunction with 10 partners, UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project (RENPET) commencing in the 2019-2020 financial year. The project has been extended until 2024 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

Income from the profit of the journal, JCMS, together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover administration and management of the Association.

c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Microgrants

d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees. Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

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## Trustees' Report (continued)

### e) Reserves

UACES's reserves are currently in a healthy position, following a setback in 2015 after the payment of a large pension deficit. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the move within academic publishing towards open access research. UACES continues to build its reserves in the expectation that income from membership, EU grants and journal subscriptions are liable to reduce dramatically over the next 5-10 years.

### f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010, the management of which was done with the advice of an Independent Financial Adviser. In October 2015, half of the investment portfolio was sold. In June 2016 the decision was taken to close the Investment Portfolio entirely. The decision was taken on the advice of our Independent Financial Adviser and it was done with the aim of improving cash flow. UACES realised a small gain from the sale of £3,972.

In its place UACES currently has 4 savings accounts which offer very small financial returns on the investments but do offer the benefit of easy access which has helped to improve UACES's cash flow.

The investment policy will remain in place to inform the charity's trustees should they decide to invest in a managed portfolio again in the future.

### g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

#### i. The recent changes to the Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union

Over the last twenty years, UACES has been the recipient of numerous grants from the Jean Monnet programme of the European Union. In 2021 the grant programme changed and no longer includes the Jean Monnet Projects or Support to Association funding streams that have been used by UACES in the past. If the funding streams offered by the Jean Monnet programme continues in this way, there will be no further streams to which UACES can apply. This could have an impact on the activities we run for Graduate students and Early-career researchers, many of which have been previously funded by the Jean Monnet programme.

#### ii. The shift to open access publishing

Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the JCMS to prepare for this change. The Trustees are ensuring their feedback is taken into consideration on the proposed plan S implementation guidelines. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES.

#### iii. Membership of UACES

Whilst membership of UACES had been stabilising, 2022 saw a small drop in membership numbers. In the first half of 2023, the drop has been even larger. Staff and trustees are monitoring the situation and considering ways to boost membership numbers for 2024, UACES's raison d'être is its members so it is very important that we explore all methods for growth in this area.

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### Trustees' Report (continued)

#### 6. Plans for the Future

##### a) Consolidate existing activities:

- running conferences, small events, seminars and networking activities
- expanding our range of virtual events.
- supporting and developing UACES publications - in particular, promoting the new journal *Contemporary European Politics*.
- Improving the UACES membership database in order to improve membership recruitment and retention
- supporting the Graduate Forum and continuing to promote its rebranded image
- disseminate information to members effectively
- Focus on improving the diversity of UACES's members and participants at its conferences. We are particularly keen to encourage academics and students from historically under-represented backgrounds to attend our events and participate in our activities

##### b) Focus during 2021-2024 (current Chair's term of office) on the following particular areas:

- i. Strengthening the internal operation and organisation of the Association - making sure that UACES has a strong core for the work that it does, optimising and diversifying UACES's income stream and making the most of the virtual side of the organisation.
- ii. Optimising provision for UACES members - ensuring the organisation is a 'home' for members and place for them to support each other.
- iii. Embedding our EDI policy to ensure that we offer maximum benefit for all our members.
- iv. Promoting UACES within wider networks - ensuring UACES plays more of a role within both public and professional debates, increasing collaboration with sister organisations both in the UK and wider Europe, developing social media tools and promoting the work of members and their appearances in public forums.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on ~~28. Aug. 2023~~ and signed on its behalf by:



Dr K Simpson (Aug 28, 2023, 6:19pm)  
Trustee

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## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on ~~28 Aug 2023~~ **28 Aug 2023** and signed on its behalf by:

  
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**De K Simpson** (Aug 28, 2023, 6:19pm)

Secretary and Trustee

# UACES

## Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of UACES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of UACES for the year ended 31 December 2022.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of UACES 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 UACES'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

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 UACES 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 accounting 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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Chartered Accountant, 2023,  
9:58pm  
ICAEW

Henry and Banwell  
26 Berkeley Square  
Bristol  
BS8 1HP

Date: 08 Aug 2023

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### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		159	46,105	46,264
Charitable activities		79,752	-	79,752
Other trading activities		225,774	-	225,774
Investment income	4	<u>2,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,441</u>
Total income		<u>308,126</u>	<u>46,105</u>	<u>354,231</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(273,409)</u>	<u>(46,105)</u>	<u>(319,514)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(273,409)</u>	<u>(46,105)</u>	<u>(319,514)</u>
Net income		<u>34,717</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,717</u>
Net movement in funds		34,717	-	34,717
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>433,381</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>433,381</u>
Total funds carried forward	16	<u>468,098</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>468,098</u>
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		1,466	23,087	24,553
Charitable activities		69,798	-	69,798
Other trading activities		207,380	-	207,380
Investment income	4	<u>3,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,401</u>
Total income		<u>282,045</u>	<u>23,087</u>	<u>305,132</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(258,138)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(258,138)</u>
Net income		<u>46,994</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,994</u>
Net movement in funds		46,994	-	46,994
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>386,387</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>386,387</u>
Total funds carried forward	16	<u>433,381</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>433,381</u>


All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.  
The funds breakdown for 2021 is shown in note 16.

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### (Registration number: 1163773) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	9,199	9,672
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	235,429	219,239
Cash at bank and in hand	14	<u>325,708</u>	<u>327,234</u>
		561,137	546,473
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<u>(102,238)</u>	<u>(122,764)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>458,899</u>	<u>423,709</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>468,098</u>	<u>433,381</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>468,098</u>	<u>433,381</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	16	<u>468,098</u>	<u>433,381</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 21 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ~~09 Aug 2023~~ and signed on their behalf by:

 .....  
 Prof S Usherwood  
Printed Name: Prof S Usherwood (09 Aug 2023, 8:00am)  
 Trustee

# UACES

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### Basis of preparation

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

#### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### *Donations and legacies*

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

#### *Grants receivable*

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

#### *Charitable activities*

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

#### Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

### Financial instruments

#### Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

#### Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

## 2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	159	421	580
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	-	45,684	45,684
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>46,105</b>	<b>46,264</b>
<b>Total for 2021</b>	<b>1,466</b>	<b>23,087</b>	<b>24,553</b>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and Grants	159	46,105	46,264
Conference and Events	47,381	-	47,381
Membership subscriptions	32,358	-	32,358
Journal publication	225,774	-	225,774
Investment income	2,441	-	2,441
Other income	13	-	13
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<b>308,126</b>	<b>46,105</b>	<b>354,231</b>

#### 4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income; Interest receivable on bank deposits	2,441	2,441
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<b>2,441</b>	<b>2,441</b>
<b>Total for 2021</b>	<b>3,401</b>	<b>3,401</b>

#### 5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Conferences and Events	56,497	-	56,497
Student Support	18,702	-	18,702
Membership and administartion	138,565	46,105	184,670
Journal publication	59,645	-	59,645
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<b>273,409</b>	<b>46,105</b>	<b>319,514</b>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

		<b>Total expenditure £</b>
<b>6 Analysis of governance and support costs</b>		
<b>Governance costs</b>		
	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total funds £</b>
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	2,292	2,292
Trustees remuneration and expenses	1,659	1,659
<b>Total for 2022</b>	<u>3,951</u>	<u>3,951</u>
<b>Total for 2021</b>	<u>3,523</u>	<u>3,523</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 7 Government grants

Four sources of grants were accessed in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £45,684 (2021 - £23,087).

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

**Prof R Guerrina**

£540 (2021: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Prof R Guerrina during the year.

Travel expenses

**Dr K Simpson**

£479 (2021: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Simpson during the year.

Travel expenses

**Dr J Mawdsley**

£444 (2021: £340) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr J Mawdsley during the year.

Travel expenses

**Dr R M Fernandez Martin**

£196 (2021: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr R M Fernandez Martin during the year.

Travel expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	<u>108,916</u>	<u>124,305</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
Administration	1	1
Charitable Activities	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £9,275 (2021 - £10,261).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

#### 10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Examination of the financial statements	<u>2,292</u>	<u>2,229</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Computer equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2022	47,581	47,581
Additions	12,299	12,299
At 31 December 2022	<u>59,880</u>	<u>59,880</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2022	37,909	37,909
Charge for the year	12,772	12,772
At 31 December 2022	<u>50,681</u>	<u>50,681</u>
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 December 2022	<u>9,199</u>	<u>9,199</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>9,672</u>	<u>9,672</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Trade debtors	2,212	1,630
Prepayments	2,737	3,130
Other debtors	230,480	214,479
	<u>235,429</u>	<u>219,239</u>

#### 14 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Cash on hand	1,235	7,175
Cash at bank	324,473	320,059
	<u>325,708</u>	<u>327,234</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	1,622	198
Other creditors	92,327	108,215
Accruals	8,289	14,350
	102,238	122,763

#### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	433,381	308,126	(273,409)	468,098
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	46,105	(46,105)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	433,381	354,231	(319,514)	468,098
	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	386,387	282,045	(235,051)	433,381
<b>Restricted</b>				
European Commission	-	23,087	(23,087)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	386,387	305,132	(258,138)	433,381

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the year from the European Commission and from the James Madison Charitable Trust.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

#### 17 Analysis of net funds

	<b>At 1 January 2022 £</b>	<b>Financing cash flows £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2022 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>327,234</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>	<u>325,708</u>
Net debt	<u>327,234</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>	<u>325,708</u>

	<b>At 1 January 2021 £</b>	<b>Financing cash flows £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2021 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>248,680</u>	<u>78,554</u>	<u>327,234</u>
Net debt	<u>248,680</u>	<u>78,554</u>	<u>327,234</u>

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2022 £</b>	<b>Total Unrestricted Funds 2021 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	159	1,466
Charitable activities	79,752	69,798
Other trading activities	225,774	207,380
Investment income	<u>2,441</u>	<u>3,401</u>
Total income	<u>308,126</u>	<u>282,045</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(273,409)</u>	<u>(235,051)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(273,409)</u>	<u>(235,051)</u>
Net income	<u>34,717</u>	<u>46,994</u>
Net movement in funds	34,717	46,994
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>433,381</u>	<u>386,387</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>468,098</u></u>	<u><u>433,381</u></u>

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

	<b>Total Restricted Funds 2022 £</b>	<b>Total Restricted Funds 2021 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	<u>46,105</u>	<u>23,087</u>
Total income	<u>46,105</u>	<u>23,087</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(46,105)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(46,105)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
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# UACES ANNUAL REPORT

## 2023

*A report for the financial year running 1 January 2022 to 31 December  
2022*

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# MEMBERSHIP

## Membership

Membership of UACES decreased to 1018 members as of 30/09/22 (a decrease of 5% from the previous year). This comprised 562 Individual members, 146 Early-Career members, 217 PhD Researcher members, 24 Student members, 7 Affiliate members and 62 Group members.

Our members are distributed across 59 countries: 39 European countries and 20 countries beyond Europe.

The table below shows from where UACES membership is sourced:

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE	AS OF 30/9/22	AS OF 30/9/21	AS OF 30/9/20	AS OF 30/9/19
<b>UK</b>	36.1%	36.1%	39.3%	39.6%
<b>Germany</b>	8.2%	7.8%	7.2%	6.8%
<b>Belgium</b>	7.7%	6.4%	6.2%	6.8%
<b>Netherlands</b>	4.9%	4.9%	3.9%	4.7%
<b>Italy</b>	4.1%	3.9%	3.0%	3.1%
<b>Poland</b>	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%	3.0%
<b>Spain</b>	3.2%	3.4%	3.1%	3.3%
<b>France</b>	3.1%	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%
<b>USA</b>	2.9%	3.3%	2.9%	2.2%
<b>Hungary</b>	2.9%	1.9%	1.4%	1.3%
<b>Rest of Europe</b>	19.6%	18.3%	17.5%	16.6%
<b>Rest of World</b>	4.8%	7.6%	7.7%	7.5%

## BENEFITS

In 2022 members benefited directly from discounts for some UACES events, grants to support research networks, microgrants, fieldwork scholarships for PhD students, access to our ever-popular email list and newsletter, fully-funded conferences for postgraduate students, and indirectly through our journal co-published with Wiley, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*.

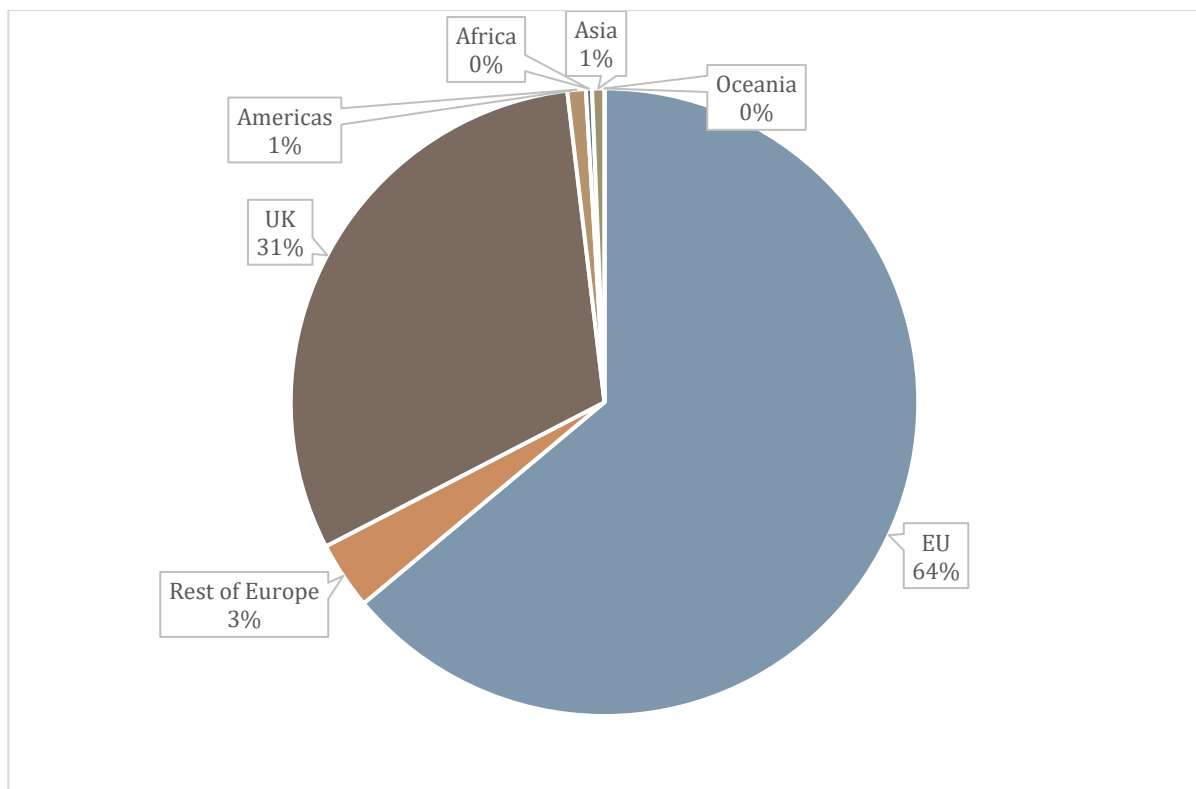
A full list of members' benefits is available to view at [www.uaces.org/membership](http://www.uaces.org/membership).

## Annual Conference

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE LILLE

The UACES 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference was held at ESPOL, Lille on 5-7 September 2022. It was followed by a virtual day that took place via Zoom on 8 September 2022. The in-person conference was attended by delegates from 44 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (31%), Belgium (15%), France (12%), Germany (7%), Poland (6%) and the Netherlands (5%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary sessions included Europe in post-Covid Times, New Directions for the Future of Europe and New Directions for France in the EU.

### Origin of participants for the 2022 Conference in Lille



## Events in 2022

### SECURING A FUTURE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES (SAFES)

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Maastricht at 30: what next for Europe?, a Graduate Forum research conference held at Maastricht University from 23-24 June. Over 30 delegates attended over 2 days. UACES offered travel grants of up to £200 to participants who attended. Livestreaming of the event was supported by Studio Europa Maastricht.

Doctoral Training Academy: Teaching, held at University of Surrey on 3 December 2022. Over 40 delegates attended the 1-day event. UACES offered travel grants of up to £150 to participants who attended.

The first in our Brussels-based seminar series was held at Press Club Brussels Europe on 19 October 2022. The event examined the Northern Ireland Protocol. Speakers included Dr Giada Lagana (Cardiff University), Dr Mary C. Murphy (University College Cork), Shona Murray and Prof Simon Usherwood (Open University).

### UACES/IACES SEMINARS

In 2022, UACES was delighted to continue its partnership with the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES) to run a series of seminars looking at the intersection between the various crises facing Europe and how these crises affect the UK and Ireland. The seminars were held virtually via Zoom and there was an additional in-person seminar held at the Press Club in Brussels (as part of the SaFES project).

Events included:

The Future of Europe, 12 January 2022

Security and Defence in the EU, UK and Ireland, 24 March 2022

The Politics of Gender and Sexuality across Ireland, the UK and Europe, 17 June 2022

Northern Ireland Protocol, 19 October 2022

## Scholarships

2022

In 2022, UACES was pleased to be able to offer 1 additional scholarship thanks to generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). The objectives of the Trust are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of processes that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects. 1 of the scholarships offered in 2022 reflected these objectives.

### UACES Scholarships

- Taro Nishikawa (KU Leuven): Actorness of the European Community (EC) from a Constructivist and Decentring Perspective: EC-Japan Trade Relations in the 1980s and early 1990s
- Silvia Peirola (University of Trento): European Security to Third Countries
- Dragomir Stoyanov (University of Sussex): The Decline in the Quality of Democracy and Anti-Liberal Euroscepticism: Bulgaria as a Case Study
- Kirsty Warner (King's College London): UK-EU Changing Relationship and its Impact on UK National Museums: A study of the time period 1991-2021

### UACES/JMCT Scholarships

- Laura Pierret (University of Luxembourg): The concept of moral hazard in Europe's economic and monetary union

Next application deadline: 20 October 2023 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: 1500 GBP per person.

## UACES Research Networks

UACES RNs are designed to encourage networking. The selection criteria for this funding stream are published on the UACES website ([www.uaces.org/funding/research-networks](http://www.uaces.org/funding/research-networks)). UACES has received support from the James Madison Charitable Trust which has allowed us to offer funding for 2 additional research networks for 2020-2025.

### RESEARCH NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEARS

Communicating Europe (2019-2022)

The Limits of EUrope: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration (2019-2022)

Network of EU-Africa Research (2020-2023)

The Role of Europe in Global Challenges (2020-2023)

(Re)Imagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis (2020-2023) [Funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust]

EU-Health Governance (2021-2024)

European Non-violence Network (2021-2024)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2021-2022

European Studies in a Relational Universe (2022-2025)

EU Futures (2022-2025) [Funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust]

Trade Implementation and Enforcement Research Network (TIER) (2022-2025)

In 2022, there was no call for Research Network applications.

In 2023, UACES re-launched its Research Network funding stream. You can read more about the newly launched stream at [www.uaces.org/funding/research-networks](http://www.uaces.org/funding/research-networks).

New Research Networks (ie those that receive funding from 2024 onwards) will no longer be restricted to a 3-year time limit. They will be offered £2500 of start-up funding and then will have access to a central pot of funding for future activities.

The deadline for applications to run a Research Network is 30 September each year.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## Microgrants

In 2021 the UACES introduced a new funding scheme for all members which provides funding of between £100 and £500 to support one-off research needs. There is up to £4000 available for microgrants each year. There are 3 application deadlines per year: 31 March, 31 July and 30 November.

### MEMBERS WHO RECEIVED MICROGRANTS AWARDED IN 2022

- Dominika Furtak
- Gilsun Jeong
- Magdalena Koenig
- Janina Pescinski
- Ben Rosher
- Vanja Savic
- Lewin Schmitt
- Katja Seidel
- Chiara Terranova
- Gesine Weber

Find out more about microgrants at: <https://www.uaces.org/funding/microgrants>.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## Prizes and Awards

### BEST BOOK AND BEST PHD THESIS

Since 2005, UACES has awarded each year, a prize for the Best Book and Best PhD thesis in contemporary European Studies. The awards are traditionally presented at the Annual Conference.

The 2022 book prize winner was: Elena Baracani, *EU-Turkey Relations - A new Direction for EU Foreign Policy?*

The 2022 Thesis Prize winner was: Marij Swinkels (Utrecht University), *The Role of EU Leaders and Ideas in Managing the Eurozone crisis: Navigating Uncharted Territory*

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 2022 the lifetime achievement award was awarded to Prof Loukas Tsoukalis.

### JCMS PRIZE

The prize for best article in 2022 has not yet been awarded.

### JCER PRIZE

In 2016-17 UACES launched a new prize: the Luke Foster JCER Prize for Best Article by an Early-Career Researcher. The prize is awarded in memory of our late Executive Director, Luke Foster.

The winner of the 2022 Luke Foster Prize for Best Article is:

Raquel Vega Rubio, Alvaro Oleart, Kolja Raube, 'Parties in the "twilight zone": Beyond first and second-order elections for the 2019 European Parliament elections in Spain', 17 (3): 349-368.  
<https://doi.org/10.30950/jcerv17i3.1224>.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

The runner up is:

Brice Didier, 'The European Union and the Liberal International Order in the Age of 'America First': Attempted Hedging and the Willingness-Capacity Gap', 17 (1): 23-42.

<https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i3.1097>

## Journal of Common Market Studies

IN 2022

Editors: Toni Haastrup and Richard Whitman (until 30/6/22) / Paul James Cardwell, Roberta and Guerrina and Gabriel Siles-Brugge (from 1/7/22).

Book Reviews Editors: Ruby Gropas and Gaby Umbach

Annual Review Editors: Theofanis Exadaktylos and Emanuele Massetti

ISSN: 0021-9886 (print), 1468-5965 (online)

Volume 60 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: Special Issue guest edited by Amy Verdun & Valerie d'Erman

Issues 2-6: General Issues

The JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2021 (ISBN: 978-1-119-85751-8)

### LECTURES

The JCMS Annual Lecture 2022 took place at the EUSA general conference in Miami. It was given by Catherine E. de Vries and was titled 'A Union Forged in Crisis? How Existential Challenges Are Bringing Europeans Together (or Not).'

The JCMS Annual Review Lecture took place at the European University Institute in Florence on 25 November 2022. It was given by Claudio Radaelli and was titled 'Policy Learning and European Integration.'

### DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

There were over 597k full text downloads of JCMS articles in 2022. Of these, 20% were downloaded from servers in the UK, 11% in the Netherlands, 10% in Germany, 9% in the USA and 5% in Belgium.

The top 5 downloaded articles in 2022 were:

*Why There is a Democratic Deficit in the EU* Andrea Follesdal and Simon Hix, 44:3.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2006.00650.x>. (9073, 1<sup>st</sup> in 2021)

*The European Union and the Securitization of Migration*, Jef Huysmans, 38:5.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00263>. (8555, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2021)

# PUBLICATIONS

*Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms?* Ian Manners, 40:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00353>. (6423, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2020)

*A Decolonial Project for Europe* Gurinder Bhambra, 60:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13310>. (6150)

*The European Green Deal: More than an Exit Strategy to the Pandemic Crisis, a Building Block of a Sustainable European Economic Model* Annette Bongardt and Francisco Torres, 60:1. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13264>. (4855)

For individual subscribers, Wiley continues to offer UACES members the cheapest subscription rates for the JCMS.

## Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at [www.jcer.net](http://www.jcer.net).

Editors: Christopher Huggins, Kenneth McDonagh and Rachael Dickson

Teaching & Learning Editor: Nele Ewers-Peters

Following several years of discussion, the UACES Trustees and Executive Director have come to the difficult decision to close the Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER).

UACES is committed to maintaining the JCER articles online and ensuring that all issues of the journal remain freely accessible to the public on a long-term, ongoing basis. We have also taken steps to ensure that all articles published in the journal will be archived with Portico under a LOCKSS system.

The final issue of JCER was published in August 2023.

ISSN: 1815-347X (online)

Volume 18 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: General Issue

Issue 2: Special Issue on Teaching and Learning 'Europe' in 'the Periphery': Disciplinary, Educational and Cognitive Boundaries of European Studies edited by Basak Alpan and Thomas Diez

The top 5 most viewed articles in 2022 were:

Helen Drake and Pauline Schnapper, 'We thought we were friends!': Franco-British bilateral diplomacy and the shock of Brexit', 17 (4). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v17i4.1241>.

Sofia Vasilopoulou, 'Varieties of Euroscepticism: The Case of the European Extreme Right', 5 (1). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v5i1.106>.

Anna Szolucha, 'The EU and 'Enlargement Fatigue': Why Has the European Union Not Been Able to Counter 'Enlargement Fatigue'?', 6 (1). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v6i1.124>.

Borja García, 'UEFA and the European Union: From Confrontation to Co-operation?', 3 (3). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v3i3.52>.

Martijn Kool and Trineke Palm, 'Crafting Emotions: The valence of time in narratives about the future of Europe in the Council of Europe (1949)', 17 (4). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v17i4.1170>.

## Routledge-UACES Contemporary European Studies series

The book series was established in 2006. Since then, 67 titles have been published, with many subsequently released as paperbacks. Routledge continues to make the books available to UACES members at a reduced price.

In 2022, UACES appointed new editors for the series. The new editorial team is: Eleanor Brooks, Ben Farrand, Helena Farrand Carrapico and Benjamin Martill.

In 2022 there were 2 new books published in the series.

- Shawn Donnelly and Gaia Pometto, *European Banking Nationalism: State Power and Troubled Banks*
- Christopher Lord, Peter Bursens, Dirk De Bièvre, Jarle Trondal and Ramses A. Wessel, *The Politics of Legitimation in the European Union: Legitimacy Recovered?*

## Framework for Delivering Benefit

The Association is governed by a committee which includes a Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Officer. In addition to the Committee, there are working groups which undertake specific tasks. The student and early career members of the Association are represented by the UACES Graduate Forum.

### OFFICERS

Chair: Professor Simon Usherwood (term ends 9/2024)

Treasurer: Dr Rosa Maria Fernandez Martin (term ends 9/2025)

Secretary: Dr Kathryn Simpson (term ends 9/2023)

Equality, Diversity & Inclusion: Professor Roberta Guerrina (term ends 9/2023)

The Officers, through their leadership, are responsible for enabling the UACES Committee and Staff to fulfil their responsibilities in the governance and strategic direction of the Association.

The Officers also have specific responsibilities with regards to the provision of banking services and investments.

### COMMITTEE

The Committee comprises four elected Officers, six elected Committee members and a number of co-opted Committee members. The editors of the Journal of Common Market Studies, the editors of the Journal of Contemporary European Research and the Chair of the UACES Graduate Forum all sit on the Committee in an ex-officio capacity.

Responsibilities of the Committee include:

Membership issues (promoting contemporary European Studies, recruitment, retention, delivering benefits, supporting the activities of members)

Publications (including the JCMS, JCER, CES book series, UACES News and the UACES Blog)

Encouraging and developing the next generation (including the evaluation and selection of UACES Scholarships)

Delivering projects funded by grant-making bodies (e.g. the EC funded Jean Monnet grants)

A list of all the Committee members can be found at [www.uaces.org/about/committee-and-staff](http://www.uaces.org/about/committee-and-staff).

## Working Groups

### EVENTS WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Secretary

The role of the working group is to ensure the success of the Annual Conference and other UACES events, including those organised by the Graduate Forum.

Some specific responsibilities of the working group include: planning UACES's calendar of events throughout the year; evaluation of potential venues for the Annual Conference and selection of research papers and panels for the Annual Conference.

### ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Treasurer

This working group's remit is to look at collaborative activities and fundraising opportunities. It is also their role to engage with the European Studies community and the wider community outside the subject area. They are responsible for developing a media and marketing strategy and the digital initiatives of the Association.

Some specific responsibilities of the working group include: Evaluation, selection and oversight of the UACES Research Networks, evaluation and selection of UACES Scholarships, judging the Best Book and Best PhD prizes, fundraising and finances and collaboration with other academic associations.

### TEACHING WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Chair

This working group looks at how UACES can support the development of Teaching and Learning in the European Studies subject area. They are responsible for the organisation of teaching and learning panels at the UACES annual conference.

### EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION (EDI) WORKING GROUP

Convenor: Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Officer

This working group oversees the implementation of our EDI policy and ensures that consideration of EDI issues is at the heart of all UACES activities. The group is responsible for developing an EDI strategy which will underpin all areas in which UACES works.

## Statement of Financial Activities 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2022

In line with Charity Commission requirements, the accounts for 2022 have been independently examined.

	1/1/22-31/12/22	1/1/21-31/12/21
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES:</b>		
<b>Donations and Legacies</b>	46,264	24,553
<b>Charitable Activities</b>	79,752	69,798
<b>Other trading activities</b>	225,774	207,380
<b>Investment Income</b>	2,441	3,401
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	354,231	305,132
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED:</b>		
<b>Raising Funds</b>		
<b>Charitable Activities</b>	(319,514)	(258,138)
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	(319,514)	(258,138)
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	34,717	46,994
<b>OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS &amp; LOSSES:</b>		
<b>Gains from sale of investments</b>	0	0
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS:</b>	34,717	46,994
<b>Fund balances at 1 January 2022</b>	433,381	386,387
<b>FUND BALANCES AT 31 December 2022</b>	468,098	433,381

## Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022

	31 DECEMBER 2022	31 DECEMBER 2021
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Tangible Assets	9,199	9,672
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Debtors	235,429	219,239
Cash at bank and in hand	325,708	327,234
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>561,137</b>	<b>546,473</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(102,238)	(122,764)
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>458,899</b>	<b>423,709</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>468,098</b>	<b>433,381</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>		
At 1 January 2022	433,381	386,387
Profit for the year	34,717	46,994
At 31 December 2022	468,098	433,381
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>468,098</b>	<b>433,381</b>

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number: 1163773

# UACES

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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## Reference and Administrative Details

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<b>Independent Examiner</b>	M Winkelmann FCA Chartered Accountant Henry and Banwell 26 Berkeley Square Bristol BS8 1HP

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## Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 1993 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises four elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI] Officer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group, the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion working group, and the Teaching and Learning working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.

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- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

a) the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association

- UACES received a grant from the European Union Erasmus+ programme, Jean Monnet Support for Associations, which included funding for Graduate Forum events. In 2021, together with the UACES Graduate Forum organised 2 events specifically for postgraduate students; a series of research seminars (hosted virtually due to the pandemic) and a research conference held virtually in June 2021.
- We continued to operate EuroResearch, the email list specifically for postgraduate students;
- Crossroads Europe, the Graduate Forum blog, continued to thrive on our blog platform [www.ideasononeurope.eu](http://www.ideasononeurope.eu).
- UACES self-funded four travel scholarships for PhD students to complete research work in the field of European Studies;
- UACES collaborated with the James Madison Charitable Trust to offer one further scholarship in 2021;
- In 2018, a part of our effort to improve the diversity of European Studies, UACES began reserving scholarships specifically for BIPOC students and those who work outside of Western Europe and North America. This initiative continued in 2021.
- UACES continued the Luke Foster JCER Best Article prize which is awarded to the best article published by a PhD student or Early-Career Researcher in our open-access journal JCER. The 2021 prize was awarded to Maryna Rabinovycha for her article 'The Legal Status and Effects of the Agenda 2030 within the EU Legal Order'.
- Contributions towards travel expenses were also made available for those students attending events supported by UACES.

b) the research events and the research conference;

- The 51st Annual Conference which was held virtually was attended by over 400 people;
- Two new Collaborative Research Networks were established, in addition to the networks already running. The networks which were awarded funding in 2021 were:
  - European Non-Violence Network
  - EU Health Governance

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c) the publications policy of UACES;

- The Journal of Common Market Studies (JCMS) which includes the Annual Review of the EU continues to thrive.
- The open access, online-only Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER) continues to rise in profile.
- In partnership with Routledge, the Contemporary European Studies (CES) book series which published 2 new titles in 2021;

d) relations with other associations;

UACES maintained links with:

- the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES)
- the British International Studies Association (BISA)
- the Political Studies Association (PSA)
- the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)
- the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)
- the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)
- the International Studies Association (ISA)
- and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

e) communication between the Committee and the members;

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list and the UACES website.

f) our membership;

At 30/09/2021 membership of UACES was 1071, an increase from 990 the previous year. The low numbers in 2020 was likely due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. We are pleased that the increase has brought UACES's membership back to pre-pandemic levels. The membership comprises 602 Individual, 143 Early Career, 232 PhD Researcher, 31 Student, 5 Affiliate and 58 Group members, with circa 60% of members based outside the UK.

g) our public profile;

- The Office staff at UACES (in particular the Digital Communications Manager) have been working hard to raise the online profile of UACES. This has been achieved through increased use of social media and sharing of multimedia content;
- The online profile of UACES and its associated journals and activities has increased, through more effective use of social media and multimedia content;
- IdeasonEurope.eu, our open access hosting platform for blogs on Europe continues to be popular for readers and authors and has over 12,000 followers on Twitter;

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- UACES continued its collaboration with Politico, delivering in Brussels a seminar titled 'How to make the right choice of European Studies?' at their virtual EU Studies Fair on 4 February 2021.

h) prizes;

UACES awarded five prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: Best PhD Thesis, Best Book, the JCMS Prize, the JCER Prize and a Lifetime Achievement Award.

### 5. Financial Review

a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

b) Funding Sources

UACES was the recipient of a grant from the James Madison Charitable Trust which will provide funding for various UACES activities starting in the 2019-2020 financial year. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this funding was extended to cover some activities up to and including 2022.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a two-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 3 events and a journal special issue. The project has been extended until 2023 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a 3-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 6 Graduate Forum events, 4 seminars in Brussels and 2 Research Networks.

In conjunction with 10 partners, UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2019-2020 financial year. The project has been extended until 2024 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a 2-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 3 events and a journal special issue. This project has been extended until 2023 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

Income from the profit of the journal, JCMS, together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover administration and management of the Association.

c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Microgrants

d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees. Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

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### e) Reserves

UACES's reserves are currently in a healthy position, following a setback in 2015 after the payment of a large pension deficit. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the current challenges being posed by the COVID-19 outbreak. UACES continues to build its reserves in the expectation that income from membership, EU grants and journal subscriptions are liable to reduce over the next 5-10 years.

### f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010, the management of which was done with the advice of an Independent Financial Adviser. In October 2015, half of the investment portfolio was sold. In June 2016 the decision was taken to close the Investment Portfolio entirely. The decision was taken on the advice of our Independent Financial Adviser and it was done with the aim of improving cash flow. UACES realised a small gain from the sale of £3,972.

In its place UACES currently has 4 savings accounts which offer very small financial returns on the investments but do offer the benefit of easy access which has helped to improve UACES's cash flow.

The investment policy will remain in place to inform the charity's trustees should they decide to invest in a managed portfolio again in the future.

### g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

#### i. The recent changes to the Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union

Over the last twenty years, UACES has been the recipient of numerous grants from the Jean Monnet programme of the European Union. In 2021 the grant programme changed and no longer includes the Jean Monnet Projects or Support to Association funding streams that have been used by UACES in the past. If the funding streams offered by the Jean Monnet programme continues in this way, there will be no further streams to which UACES can apply. This could have an impact on the activities we run for Graduate students and Early-career researchers, many of which have been previously funded by the Jean Monnet programme.

#### ii. The shift to open access publishing

Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the JCMS to prepare for this change. The Trustees are ensuring their feedback is taken into consideration on the proposed plan S implementation guidelines. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES but we have been advised by Wiley that there is likely to be a decrease in revenue from the JCMS publication.

#### iii. Membership of UACES

Whilst membership of UACES had been stabilising, 2020 saw a large drop in members. The trustees are pleased to report that following focused work by the UACES office and a very popular virtual conference in September 2021, UACES membership has grown again to pre-pandemic levels. UACES staff and trustees will continue to keep a close eye on membership numbers and will analyse data to see if there are any trends that need to be acted upon.

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### 6. Plans for the Future

#### a) Consolidate existing activities:

- running conferences, small events, seminars and networking activities
- expanding our range of virtual events - including running our first hybrid conference in 2022
- supporting and developing UACES publications - in particular looking to launch a new journal with a publisher in 2023
- Improving the UACES membership database in order to improve membership recruitment and retention
- supporting the Graduate Forum and continuing to promote its rebranded image
- disseminate information to members effectively
- Focus on improving the diversity of UACES's members and participants at its conferences. We are particularly keen to encourage academics and students from historically under-represented backgrounds to attend our events and participate in our activities

#### b) Focus during 2021-2024 (current Chair's term of office) on the following particular areas:

- i. Strengthen the internal operation and organisation of the Association - making sure UACES has a strong core for the work that it does, optimising and diversifying UACES's income stream and making the most of the virtual side of the organisation.
- ii. Optimising provision for UACES members - ensuring the organisation is a 'home' for members and place for them to support each other.
- iii. Embedding our EDI policy to ensure that we offer maximum benefit for all our members.
- iv. Promoting UACES within wider networks - ensuring UACES plays more of a role within both public and professional debates, increasing collaboration with sister organisations both in the UK and wider Europe, developing social media tools and promoting the work of members and their appearances in public forums.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on <sup>Sep 23, 2022</sup> ..... and signed on its behalf by:

*Kathryn Simpson*  
[Kathryn Simpson \(Sep 23, 2022 09:54 GMT+1\)](#)  
.....  
Dr K Simpson  
Secretary and Trustee

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## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on .....<sup>Sep 23, 2022</sup> and signed on its behalf by:

*Kathryn Simpson*  
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.....  
Dr K Simpson  
Secretary and Trustee

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### Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of UACES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 10 to 21.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of UACES 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 UACES'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

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 UACES 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 accounting 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.



M Winkelmann FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
ICAEW

Henry and Banwell  
26 Berkeley Square  
Bristol  
BS8 1HP

Date:.....

18/7/2022

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### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 31 December 2021 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		1,466	23,087	24,553
Charitable activities		69,798	-	69,798
Other trading activities		207,380	-	207,380
Investment income	4	<u>3,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,401</u>
Total income		<u>282,045</u>	<u>23,087</u>	<u>305,132</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(258,138)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(258,138)</u>
Net movement in funds		46,994	-	46,994
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>386,387</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>386,387</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u><u>433,381</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>433,381</u></u>
		<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 31 December 2020 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		2,060	38,602	40,662
Charitable activities		50,384	-	50,384
Other trading activities		293,785	-	293,785
Investment income	4	<u>1,775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,775</u>
Total income		<u>348,004</u>	<u>38,602</u>	<u>386,606</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(363,542)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(363,542)</u>
Net movement in funds		23,064	-	23,064
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>363,323</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>363,323</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u><u>386,387</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>386,387</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2020 is shown in note 14.

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### (Registration number: 1163773) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	31 December 2021 £	31 December 2020 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	11	9,672	15,554
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	12	219,239	251,067
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>327,234</u>	<u>248,680</u>
		546,473	499,747
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(122,764)</u>	<u>(128,914)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>423,709</u>	<u>370,833</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>433,381</u>	<u>386,387</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>433,381</u>	<u>386,387</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	14	<u>433,381</u>	<u>386,387</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 21 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on Sep 23, 2022..... and signed on their behalf by:

Jocelyn Mawdsley  
Jocelyn Mawdsley (Sep 23, 2022 09:57 GMT+1)

.....  
 Dr J Mawdsley  
 Trustee

Simon Usherwood  
Simon Usherwood (Sep 23, 2022 09:59 GMT+1)

.....  
 Prof S Usherwood  
 Trustee

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

### 1 Accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### Basis of preparation

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

#### Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

#### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### *Donations and legacies*

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

#### *Grants receivable*

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### *Charitable activities*

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### **Governance costs**

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

#### **Government grants**

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### **Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

#### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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#### **Trade creditors**

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

#### **Financial instruments**

##### *Classification*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

##### *Recognition and measurement*

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds		Total 31 December 2021 £	Total 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020 £
	General £	Restricted funds £		
Donations and legacies;				
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	1,466	-	1,466	2,060
Grants, including capital grants;				
Government grants	-	23,087	23,087	38,602
	1,466	23,087	24,553	40,662
	1,466	23,087	24,553	40,662

#### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds		Total 31 December 2021 £	Total 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020 £
	General £	Restricted funds £		
Donations and Grants	1,466	23,087	24,553	40,662
Conference and Events	18,895	-	18,895	1,920
Membership subscriptions	50,903	-	50,903	46,824
Journal publication	207,380	-	207,380	293,785
Investment income	3,401	-	3,401	1,775
Other income	-	-	-	1,640
	282,045	23,087	305,132	386,606
	282,045	23,087	305,132	386,606

#### 4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds		Total 31 December 2021 £	Total 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020 £
	General £			
Interest receivable and similar income;				
Interest receivable on bank deposits		3,401	3,401	1,775
		3,401	3,401	1,775
		3,401	3,401	1,775

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 5 Analysis of governance and support costs

##### Governance costs

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>		<b>Total 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020</b>
	<b>General £</b>	<b>Total 31 December 2021 £</b>	<b>£</b>
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements	2,229	2,229	2,163
Trustees remuneration, expenses and other expenses	1,294	1,294	4,103
	<u>3,523</u>	<u>3,523</u>	<u>6,266</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 6 Government grants

Three sources of grants were accessed in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus.

Additionally grants were received from the James Madison Charitable Trust and Toni Haastrup.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £23,087 (2020 - £38,602).

#### 7 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

##### **Dr K Simpson**

£Nil (2020: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Simpson during the year.

##### **Dr J Mawdsley**

£340 (2020: £585) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr J Mawdsley during the year.

Travel expenses and notary

##### **Dr V Gravey**

£Nil (2020: £214) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr V Gravey during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr K Wright**

£Nil (2020: £560) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Wright during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr N Startin**

£Nil (2020: £387) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr N Startin during the year.

Travel and accomodation expenses

##### **Dr M Garcia**

£Nil (2020: £247) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr M Garcia during the year.

Travel and subsistenc

##### **Dr H Maurer**

£Nil (2020: £180) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr H Maurer during the year.

Travel expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 8 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	<b>2021</b> <b>£</b>	<b>31 December</b> <b>2020</b> <b>£</b>
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	<u>124,305</u>	<u>144,456</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	<b>31 December</b> <b>2021</b> <b>No</b>	<b>31 December</b> <b>2020</b> <b>No</b>
Administration	1	1
Charitable Activities	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £10,261 (2020 - £13,365).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

#### 9 Independent examiner's remuneration

	<b>Year ended 31</b> <b>December</b> <b>2021</b> <b>£</b>	<b>1 October</b> <b>2019 to 31</b> <b>December</b> <b>2020</b> <b>£</b>
Examination of the financial statements	<u>2,229</u>	<u>2,163</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 10 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 11 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Computer equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2021	44,582	44,582
Additions	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>47,582</u>	<u>47,582</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2021	29,028	29,028
Charge for the year	<u>8,882</u>	<u>8,882</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>37,910</u>	<u>37,910</u>
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 December 2021	<u>9,672</u>	<u>9,672</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>15,554</u>	<u>15,554</u>

#### 12 Debtors

	<b>31 December 2021 £</b>	<b>31 December 2020 £</b>
Trade debtors	1,630	164
Prepayments	3,130	7,192
Other debtors	<u>214,479</u>	<u>243,711</u>
	<u>219,239</u>	<u>251,067</u>

#### 13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>31 December 2021 £</b>	<b>31 December 2020 £</b>
Trade creditors	198	283
Other creditors	108,215	112,600
Accruals	<u>14,350</u>	<u>16,031</u>
	<u>122,763</u>	<u>128,914</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 14 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	386,387	282,045	(235,051)	433,381
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	23,087	(23,087)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	386,387	305,132	(258,138)	433,381
	Balance at 1 October 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	363,323	348,004	(324,940)	386,387
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	33,935	(33,935)	-
James Madison Charitable Trust	-	4,667	(4,667)	-
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	-	38,602	(38,602)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	363,323	386,606	(363,542)	386,387

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the year from the European Commission, from the James Madison Charitable Trust and from Toni Hastrup.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### 15 Analysis of net funds

	<b>At 1 January 2021 £</b>	<b>Cash flow £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2021 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	248,680	78,554	327,234
Net debt	<u>248,680</u>	<u>78,554</u>	<u>327,234</u>
	<b>At 1 October 2019 £</b>	<b>Cash flow £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2020 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	278,133	(29,453)	248,680
Net debt	<u>278,133</u>	<u>(29,453)</u>	<u>248,680</u>

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	<b>Total Unrestricted funds 31 December 2021 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 31 December 2020 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	1,466	2,060
Charitable activities	69,798	50,384
Other trading activities	207,380	293,785
Investment income	3,401	1,775
Total income	<u>282,045</u>	<u>348,004</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(324,940)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(235,051)</u>	<u>(324,940)</u>
Net income	<u>46,994</u>	<u>23,064</u>
Net movement in funds	46,994	23,064
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>386,387</u>	<u>363,323</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>433,381</u></u>	<u><u>386,387</u></u>

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	<b>Total Restricted funds 31 December 2021 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 31 December 2020 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	<u>23,087</u>	<u>38,602</u>
Total income	<u>23,087</u>	<u>38,602</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(23,087)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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# UACES ANNUAL REPORT

## 2022

*A report for the financial year running 1 January 2021 to 31 December  
2021*

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# MEMBERSHIP

## Membership

Membership of UACES increased to 1071 members as of 30/09/21 (an increase of 8% from the previous year). This comprised 602 Individual members, 143 Early-Career members, 232 PhD Researcher members, 31 Student members, 5 Affiliate members and 58 Group members.

In 2021 UACES introduce 2 new tiers of membership: Student membership for undergraduate and masters-level students and Affiliate membership for those who work in organisations that are not universities.

Our members are distributed across 60 countries: 36 European countries and 24 countries beyond Europe.

The table below shows from where UACES membership is sourced:

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE	AS OF 30/9/21	AS OF 30/9/20	AS OF 30/9/19	AS OF 30/9/18
<b>UK</b>	36.1%	39.3%	39.6%	43.2%
<b>Germany</b>	7.8%	7.2%	6.8%	5.9%
<b>Belgium</b>	6.4%	6.2%	6.8%	6.2%
<b>Netherlands</b>	4.9%	3.9%	4.7%	4.9%
<b>Italy</b>	3.9%	3.0%	3.1%	3.1%
<b>Poland</b>	3.5%	3.9%	3.0%	3.0%
<b>Spain</b>	3.4%	3.1%	3.3%	2.8%
<b>USA</b>	3.3%	2.9%	2.2%	1.2%
<b>France</b>	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%
<b>Austria</b>	2.1%	1.1%	1.3%	1.3%
<b>Rest of Europe</b>	18.3%	17.5%	16.6%	20%
<b>Rest of World</b>	7.6%	7.7%	7.5%	7.0%

## BENEFITS

In 2021 members benefited directly from discounts for some UACES events, grants to support research networks, fieldwork scholarships for PhD students, access to our ever-popular email list and newsletter, fully-funded conferences for postgraduate students, and indirectly through the growth of our in-house, open-access journal *JCER* and our journal co-published with Wiley, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*.

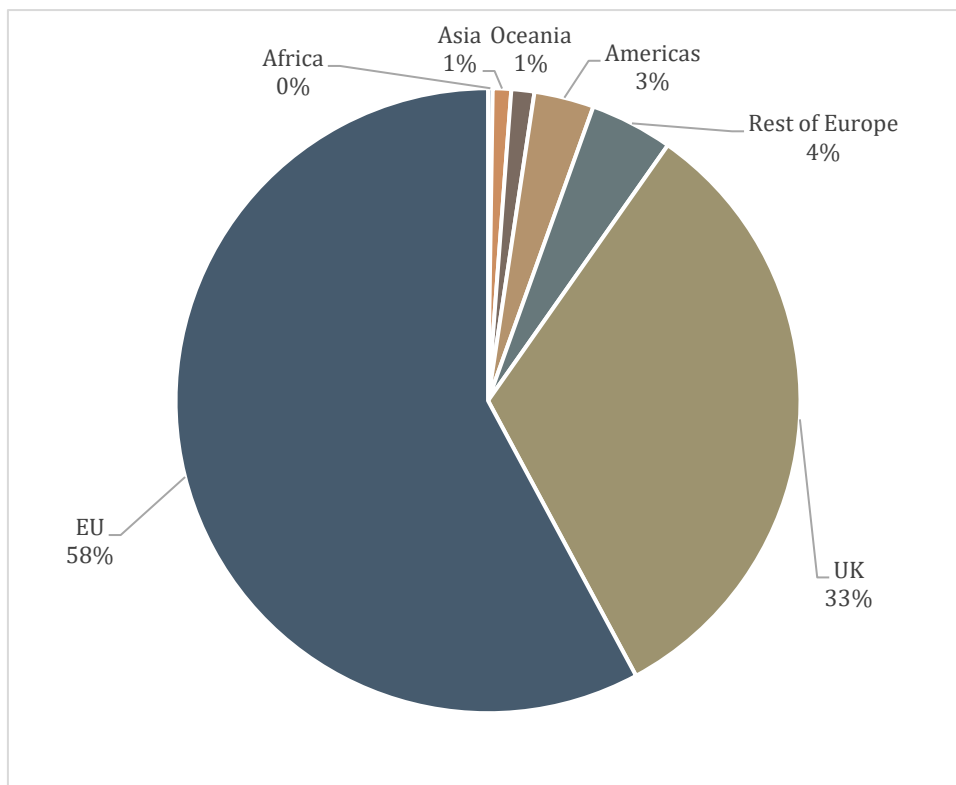
A full list of members' benefits is available to view at [www.uaces.org/membership](http://www.uaces.org/membership).

## Annual Conferences

### VIRTUAL CONFERENCE 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UACES officers took the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 annual conference in Liverpool. Instead, UACES held its 2<sup>nd</sup> virtual conference from 6-8 September 2021 on the Balloon platform. It was attended by 432 delegates from 44 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (31%), Belgium (8%), Germany (8%), Poland (6%), The Netherlands (5%) and Spain (5%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary sessions included the Future of Europe, the Northern Ireland Protocol and the JCMS Annual Review lecture presented by Federica Mogherini.

### Origin of participants for the 2021 Virtual Conference



## Events in 2021

### SECURING A FUTURE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES (SAFES)

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Careers, held virtually, November 2020

Europe in Cha(lle)nging Times, a Graduate Forum research conference held virtually from 17-18 June 2021. Over 50 delegates attended over 2 days. UACES offered small research grants of up to £100 to participants who attended.

### UACES/IACES SEMINARS

In 2021, UACES was delighted to partner with the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES) to run a series of seminars looking at the intersection between the various crises facing Europe and how these crises affect the UK and Ireland. The seminars were held virtually via Zoom. The series was introduced by An Taoiseach Micheál Martin.

Confronting the Coronavirus Pandemic, 26 February 2021, via Zoom

Confronting Racism in Ireland, the UK and the EU, 25 June 2021, via Zoom

### OTHER EVENTS

The UACES virtual conference was held from 5-7 September 2021.

## Scholarships

2020-2021

In 2020-2021, UACES was pleased to be able to offer 2 additional scholarships thanks to generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). The objectives of the Trust are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of processes that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects. 2 of the scholarships offered in 2020-21 reflected these objectives.

Unfortunately, the scholarship assessors were not able to award both JMCT scholarships and so the call for 1 of these scholarships was reissued in 2021.

### UACES Scholarships

- Antonio Salvador Alcazar (Central European University): Everything but Arms: The transnational politics of EU preferential trade in Myanmar's garment economy
- Juliette Ganne (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies)
- Lukas Spielberger (University of Leiden): Central Bank Cooperation in Central and Eastern Europe

### UACES/JMCT Scholarships

- Gerard Casas-Soler (Universitat Pompeu Fabra): Federalism and European Integration

Next application deadline: 21 October 2022 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: 1500 GBP per person.

## UACES Archive Scholarships

In 2021, UACES was able to offer 1 scholarship for a PhD or Early-Career researcher to visit the Historical Archives of the European Union at the EUI in Fiesole, Italy. The scholarship was generously funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT).

### 2021 SCHOLARSHIP

The 2021 Scholarship was awarded to Pekka Pohjankoski of Helsinki University.

## UACES Research Networks

UACES RNs are designed to encourage networking. The selection criteria for this funding stream are published on the UACES website ([www.uaces.org/networks](http://www.uaces.org/networks)). UACES has received support from the James Madison Charitable Trust which has allowed us to offer funding for 2 additional research networks for 2019-2021.

### RESEARCH NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEARS

Gendering European Studies (2018-2021)

Effective Enforcement of EU Law & Policy (2018-2021)

Communicating Europe (2019-2022)

The Limits of Europe: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration (2019-2022)

Network of EU-Africa Research (2020-2023)

The Role of Europe in Global Challenges (2020-2023)

(Re)Imagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis (2020-2023) [Funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust]

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2020-2021

EU-Health Governance (2021-2024)

European Non-violence Network (2021-2024)

Funding available: up to 6000 GBP over 3 years per network.

UACES is currently redeveloping the Research Network programme and a new call for networks will be launched in late 2022.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## Microgrants

In 2021 the UACES introduced a new funding scheme for all members which provides funding of between £100 and £500 to support one-off research needs. There is up to £4000 available for microgrants each year. There are 3 application deadlines per year: 31 March, 31 July and 30 November.

### MEMBERS WHO RECEIVED MICROGRANTS AWARDED IN 2021

- Nele Marianne Ewers Peters
- Gulay Icoz
- Veronika Koller
- Marzia Maccaferri
- Cecilia Manzotti
- Miriam Mueller
- Marianna Lovato
- Dale Mineshima Lowe
- Silvia Peirolo
- Glenn Wasson

Find out more about microgrants at: <https://www.uaces.org/funding/microgrants>.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## Prizes and Awards

### BEST BOOK AND BEST PHD THESIS

Since 2005, UACES has awarded each year, a prize for the Best Book and Best PhD thesis in contemporary European Studies. The awards are traditionally presented at the Annual Conference.

The 2021 book prize winner was

Vestert Borger, *The Currency of Solidarity: Constitutional Transformation during the Euro Crisis* (Cambridge University Press, 2020)

The 2021 Thesis Prize winner was:

Charlotte Godziewski, 'Health in All Policies' at EU Level: A Critical Analysis (University of Sheffield, 2020)

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 2021 the lifetime achievement award was awarded to Dr Ann Kennard.

### JCMS PRIZE

A prize is awarded for the best article of each volume.

The winners of the 2021 prize are:

Anne Louise Schotel and Liza Mügge, 'Towards categorical visibility? The political making of a third sex in Germany and the Netherlands', Vol. 59, Issue 4. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13170>

The JCMS Editors wish to thank the JCMS Prize Jury: Maria Garcia (University of Bath), Roberta Guerrina (University of Bristol), Achim Hurrelmann (Carleton University), Annick Masselot (Canterbury University), Andrea Ribeiro Hoffman (Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro) and Mills Soko (Wits Business School).

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## JCER PRIZE

In 2016-17 UACES launched a new prize: the Luke Foster JCER Prize for Best Article by an Early-Career Researcher. The prize is awarded in memory of our late Executive Director, Luke Foster.

The winner of the 2021 Luke Foster Prize for Best Article is:

Maryna Rabinovych, 'The Legal Status and Effects of the Agenda 2030 within the EU Legal Order', 16 (2): 182-199. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i2.1071>

The runners-up are:

Alexander Brand, Florian Koch, Arne Niemann and Regina Weber, 'Non-elite conceptions of Europe: Europe as reference frame in English football fan discussions', 16 (3): 293-319. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i3.1089>

Brigitte Pircher, 'The Council of the EU in Times of Economic Crisis: A Policy Entrepreneur for the Internal Market', 16 (1): 65-81. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i1.1086>

## Journal of Common Market Studies

IN 2021

Editors: Toni Hastrup and Richard Whitman

Book Reviews Editors: Ruby Gropas and Gaby Umbach

Annual Review Editors: Theofanis Exadaktylos, Roberta Guerrina and Emanuele Massetti

ISSN: 0021-9886 (print), 1468-5965 (online)

Volume 59 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: Special Issue guest edited by Christine Hackenesch, Julian Bergmann, Jan Orbie

Issues 2-6: General Issues

The JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2020 (ISBN: 978-1-119-85751-8)

### LECTURES

The JCMS Annual Lecture took place virtually as part of the Council of European Studies conference. It was given by Gurminder Bhambra and was titled 'A Decolonial Project for Europe'.

The JCMS Annual Review Lecture took place virtually as part of the UACES annual conference. It was given by Federica Mogherini and was titled 'How 2020 has shaped the Future of the European Union.'

### DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

There were over 500k full text downloads of JCMS articles in 2021. Of these, 21% were downloaded from servers in the UK, 12% in the Netherlands, 10% in Germany, 9% in the USA and 5% in Belgium.

The top 5 downloaded articles in 2021 were:

*Why There is a Democratic Deficit in the EU* Andrea Follesdal and Simon Hix, 44:3.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2006.00650.x>. (12334, 1st in 2020)

*The European Union and the Securitization of Migration*, Jef Huysmans, 38:5.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00263>. (8946, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2020)

# PUBLICATIONS

*Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms?* Ian Manners, 40:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00353>. (7218, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2020)

*Reassessing Legitimacy in the European Union* Andrew Moravcsik, 40:4. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00390>. (6192, 4<sup>th</sup> in 2020)

*EU Aid Policy in the Middle East and North Africa: Politicization and its Limits*, Richard Youngs and Özge Zihnioğlu, 59:1. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13136>. (5403).

For individual subscribers, Wiley continues to offer UACES members the cheapest subscription rates for the JCMS.

## Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at [www.jcer.net](http://www.jcer.net).

Editors: Christopher Huggins, Kenneth McDonagh and Rachael Dickson

Teaching & Learning Editor: Nele Ewers-Peters (previously Karen Heard-Laureote)

ISSN: 1815-347X (online)

Volume 17 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: General Issue

Issue 2: Special Issue on The Limits of European Legitimacy edited by Russell Foster, Jan Grzymalski and Monika Brusenbauch Meislová

Issue 3: General Issue

Issue 4: General Issue

The top downloaded articles (to date) for each issue are:

Brice Didier, 'The European Union and the Liberal International Order in the Age of 'America First': Attempted Hedging and the Willingness-Capacity Gap', 17 (1). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i3.1097>.

Roberto Baldoli and Claudio M. Radaelli, 'Foundations of Regulatory Choice: Precaution, Innovation ... and Nonviolence?', 17 (2). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v17i2.1177>.

Raquel Vega Rubio, Alvaro Oleart and Kolja Raube, 'Parties in the "twilight zone": Beyond first and second-order elections for the 2019 European Parliament elections in Spain', 17 (3). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v17i3.1224>.

Helen Drake and Pauline Schnapper, 'We thought we were friends!': Franco-British bilateral diplomacy and the shock of Brexit', 17 (4). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v17i4.1241>.

## Routledge-UACES Contemporary European Studies series

The book series was established in 2006. Since then, 67 titles have been published, with many subsequently released as paperbacks. Routledge continues to make the books available to UACES members at a reduced price.

The series editors in 2021 were Chad Damro, Elaine Fahey and David Howarth.

In 2021 there were 2 new books published in the series.

- Bruno Theodoro Luciano, *Parliamentary Agency and Regional Integration in Europe and Beyond: The Logic of Regional Parliaments*
- Elena Ríos Camacho. *The Choice for Banking Union: Power, Politics and the Trap of Credible Commitments*

# Combined Accounts and Annual Report - Signed


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England & Wales - Charity number 1163773

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number: 1163773

# UACES

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

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# **UACES**

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# UACES

## Reference and Administrative Details

<b>Trustees</b>	Dr K Simpson Dr V Gravey Dr H Maurer Dr N Startin Dr M A G Arana Dr J Mawdsley Dr B Farrand Dr R Guerrina Dr K Sloodmaekers
<b>Secretary</b>	Dr K Simpson
<b>Principal Office</b>	Woburn House 20 Tavistock Square London WC1H 9HQ
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1163773
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	M Winkelmann FCA Chartered Accountant Henry and Banwell 26 Berkeley Square Bristol BS8 1HP

# UACES

## Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2020.

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 1993 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises four elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI] Officer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group and the Teaching & Learning working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.

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- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

o the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association

- UACES received 2 grants from the European Union Erasmus+ programme, Jean Monnet Support for Associations, which included funding for Graduate Forum events and together with the UACES Graduate Forum organised 3 events specifically for postgraduate students; a series of research seminars (hosted virtually due to the pandemic) and 2 doctoral training academies on teaching and career skills. 1 was held in Brussels (hosted by the Brussels School of International Studies) and 1 was held virtually;
  - We continued to operate EuroResearch, the email list specifically for postgraduate students;
  - Crossroads Europe, the Graduate Forum blog, continued to thrive on our blog platform [www.ideasoneuropa.eu](http://www.ideasoneuropa.eu).
  - UACES self-funded four travel scholarships for PhD students to complete research work in the field of European Studies;
  - UACES collaborated with the James Madison Charitable Trust to offer a further 2 scholarships in 2019-20;
  - In 2018, a part of our effort to improve the diversity of European Studies, UACES began reserving scholarships specifically for BIPOC students and those who work outside of Western Europe and North America. This initiative continued in 2019 and 2020.
  - UACES continued the Luke Foster JCER Best Article prize which is awarded to the best article published by a PhD student or Early-Career Researcher in our open-access journal JCER. . The 2020 prize was won by Maria Moskovko, Arnljótur Ástvaldsson and Olof Hallonsten for their article 'Who Is ERIC? The Politics and Jurisprudence of a Governance Tool for Collaborative European Research Infrastructures'.
  - UACES worked with an international network of universities to offer bursaries to students. These bursaries enabled students to travel within the network to work with academics with particular expertise and knowledge.
  - Contributions towards travel expenses were also made available for those students attending events supported by UACES.
- o the research events and the research conference;
- The 50th Annual Conference which was held virtually was attended by over 380 people;
  - 3 new Collaborative Research Networks were established, in addition to the networks already running. 1 of these networks was generously funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust. The networks which were awarded funding in 2020 were:

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- Network of EU-Africa Research
- The Role of Europe in Global Challenges: Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- (Re)Imagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis

c) the publications policy of UACES;

- The Journal of Common Market Studies (JCMS) which includes the Annual Review of the EU continues to thrive.
- The open access, online-only Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER) continues to rise in profile.
- In partnership with Routledge, the Contemporary European Studies (CES) book series which published 4 new titles in 2020;

d) relations with other associations;

UACES maintained links with:

- the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES)
- the British International Studies Association (BISA)
- the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)
- the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)
- the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- the European Sociological Association (ESA)
- the European Political Studies Association (EPSA)
- the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)
- the International Studies Association (ISA)
- and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

e) communication between the Committee and the members;

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list and the UACES website.

f) our membership;

At 30/09/2020 membership of UACES was 990 a decrease from 1122 the previous year. This decrease was likely due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. This includes 531 Individual, 160 Early Career, 235 Student and 64 Group members, with circa 60% of members based outside the UK.

g) our public profile;

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- The Office staff at UACES (in particular the Digital Communications Manager) have been working hard to raise the online profile of UACES. This has been achieved through increased use of social media and sharing of multimedia content;
- The online profile of UACES and its associated journals and activities has increased, through more effective use of social media and multimedia content;
- IdeasonEurope.eu, our open access hosting platform for blogs on Europe continues to be popular for readers and authors and has over 12,000 followers on Twitter;
- UACES continued its collaboration with Politico, delivering in Brussels a seminar titled How to make the right choice of European Studies? at their EU Studies Fair on 15 February 2020.

h) prizes;

UACES awarded five prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: Best PhD Thesis, Best Book, the JCMS Prize, the JCER Prize and a Lifetime Achievement Award.

### 5. Financial Review

a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

b) Funding Sources

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2017-18 financial year.

In conjunction with 8 partners, UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2017-2018 financial year.

UACES was the recipient of a grant from the James Madison Charitable Trust which will provide funding for various UACES activities starting in the 2019-2020 financial year.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European commission for a 2-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 3 events and a journal special issue. This project has been extended until 2023 to take into account the effect of the pandemic.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a 3-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 6 Graduate Forum events, 4 seminars in Brussels and 2 Research Networks.

Income from the profit of the journal, JCMS, together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover administration and management of the Association.

c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Microgrants

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### d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees. Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

### e) Reserves

UACES's reserves are currently in a healthy position, following a setback in 2015 after the payment of a large pension deficit. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the current challenges being posed by the COVID-19 outbreak. UACES continues to build its reserves in the expectation that income from membership, EU grants and journal subscriptions are liable to reduce over the next 5-10 years.

### f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010, the management of which was done with the advice of an Independent Financial Adviser. In October 2015, half of the investment portfolio was sold. In June 2016 the decision was taken to close the Investment Portfolio entirely. The decision was taken on the advice of our Independent Financial Adviser and it was done with the aim of improving cash flow. UACES realised a small gain from the sale of £3972.

In its place UACES currently has 4 savings accounts which offer very small financial returns on the investments but do offer the benefit of easy access which has helped to improve UACES's cash flow.

The investment policy will remain in place to inform the charity's trustees should they decide to invest in a managed portfolio again in the future.

### g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

#### i. The United Kingdom leaving the European Union

UACES draws a large proportion of its membership from across the 27 European Union member states (c. 47%) and receives substantial funding from the European Union each year. The exit of the United Kingdom from the European Union could make UACES less attractive as a membership organisation for non-UK academics and could also present a threat to one of the association's major funding sources.

#### ii. The shift to open access publishing

Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the JCMS to prepare for this change. The Trustees are ensuring their feedback is taken into consideration on the proposed plan S implementation guidelines. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES but we have been advised by Wiley that there is likely to be a decrease in revenue from the JCMS publication.

Should income from the JCMS start to decline, one option available to UACES, is to convert the JCER, our open access journal which is currently free to both readers and authors, to an author-pays model.

#### iii. Membership of UACES

Whilst membership of UACES had been stabilising, 2020 saw a large drop in members. It is too early to say whether this was simply an effect of the covid-19 pandemic or whether this represents an ongoing trend. Trustees and office staff are seeking ways to attract new members - including voting at the 2020 AGM to introduce new membership types - and retain those members we currently have.

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### 6. Plans for the Future

#### a) Consolidate existing activities:

- running conferences, small events, seminars and networking activities
- expanding our range of virtual events - including running our first hybrid conference in 2022
- supporting and developing UACES publications - in particular looking to move JCER to a professional publisher
- Improving the UACES membership database in order to improve membership recruitment and retention
- supporting the Graduate Forum and continuing to promote its rebranded image
- disseminate information to members effectively
- Focus on improving the diversity of UACES's members and participants at its conferences. We are particularly keen to encourage academics and students from historically under-represented backgrounds to attend our events and participate in our activities

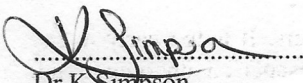
#### b) Focus during 2018-2021 (current Chair's term of office) on the following particular areas:

- Develop and implement a clear equality and diversity policy
- Internationalisation of the membership and its activities;
- Re-invigorating the subject area of European Studies in the UK;
- To strengthen the profile of the UACES Research Networks
- Engaging further with other academic associations, industry practitioners, civil society groups and increase outreach engagement
- Strengthening UACES's financial position
- To continue to strengthen UACES's relationship with its flagship journal, JCMS

c) To integrate the Journal of Contemporary European Research into other UACES activities (i.e. to review books from the CES series, to publish articles arising from Graduate Forum events and Teaching and Learning activities), to start a JCER blog on Ideas on Europe which can be used to promote the journal and the research published within it;

d) Explore the opportunities arising from the wider, more diverse international membership.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 7/10/21 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Dr K Simpson  
Secretary and Trustee

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## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

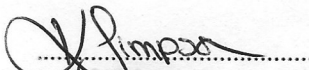
The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 7/10/21 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Dr K Simpson  
Secretary and Trustee

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### Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of UACES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 10 to 22.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of UACES 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 UACES'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.

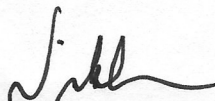
#### Independent examiner's statement

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 UACES 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 accounting 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.



.....  
M Winkelmann FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
ICAEW

Henry and Banwell  
26 Berkeley Square  
Bristol  
BS8 1HP

Date: 1/10/2021

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### Statement of Financial Activities for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 31 December 2020 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		2,060	38,602	40,662
Charitable activities		50,384	-	50,384
Other trading activities		293,785	-	293,785
Investment income	5	<u>1,775</u>	-	<u>1,775</u>
Total income		<u>348,004</u>	<u>38,602</u>	<u>386,606</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(363,542)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(363,542)</u>
Net movement in funds		23,064	-	23,064
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>363,323</u>	-	<u>363,323</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>386,387</u></u>	-	<u><u>386,387</u></u>
		<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 30 September 2019 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		-	31,138	31,138
Charitable activities		119,832	-	119,832
Other trading activities		236,206	-	236,206
Investment income	5	<u>1,649</u>	-	<u>1,649</u>
Total income		<u>357,687</u>	<u>31,138</u>	<u>388,825</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		<u>(334,334)</u>	<u>(31,138)</u>	<u>(365,472)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(334,334)</u>	<u>(31,138)</u>	<u>(365,472)</u>
Net movement in funds		23,353	-	23,353
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>339,970</u>	-	<u>339,970</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>363,323</u></u>	-	<u><u>363,323</u></u>

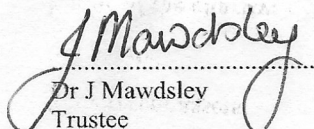
All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.  
The funds breakdown for 2019 is shown in note 15.

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### (Registration number: 1163773) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Note	31 December 2020 £	30 September 2019 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	15,554	5,237
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	251,067	185,129
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>248,680</u>	<u>278,133</u>
		499,747	463,262
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(128,914)</u>	<u>(105,176)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>370,833</u>	<u>358,086</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>386,387</u>	<u>363,323</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>386,387</u>	<u>363,323</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	15	<u>386,387</u>	<u>363,323</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 7/10/21 and signed on their behalf by:

  
Dr J Mawdsley  
Trustee

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

##### **Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

##### **Basis of preparation**

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

##### **Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement**

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

##### **Going concern**

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

##### **Transition to FRS 102**

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements are required as a result of the transition to FRS 102.

##### **Income and endowments**

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

##### ***Donations and legacies***

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

##### ***Grants receivable***

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### **Expenditure**

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

#### ***Charitable activities***

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### **Governance costs**

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

#### **Government grants**

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### **Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

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#### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### **Trade creditors**

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### **Financial instruments**

##### ***Classification***

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

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#### *Recognition and measurement*

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

#### **2 Income from donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted funds		Total 31 December 2020 £	Total Year ended 30 September 2019 £
	General £	Restricted funds £		
Donations and legacies;				
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	2,060	-	2,060	-
Grants, including capital grants;				
Government grants	-	38,602	38,602	30,424
Grants from other charities	-	-	-	714
	<u>2,060</u>	<u>38,602</u>	<u>40,662</u>	<u>31,138</u>

#### **3 Income from charitable activities**

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted funds		Total	Total
	General	Restricted funds	31 December 2020	Year ended 30 September 2019
	£	£	£	£
Donations and Grants	2,060	45,026	47,086	31,138
Conference and Events	1,920	-	1,920	72,728
Membership subscriptions	46,824	-	46,824	47,104
Journal publication	293,785	-	293,785	236,206
Investment income	1,775	-	1,775	1,649
Other income	1,640	-	1,640	-
	<u>348,004</u>	<u>45,026</u>	<u>393,030</u>	<u>388,825</u>

#### 4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds		Total	Total
	General	Restricted funds	31 December 2020	Year ended 30 September 2019
	£	£	£	£
Trading income;				
Other trading income		293,785	293,785	236,206
		<u>293,785</u>	<u>293,785</u>	<u>236,206</u>

#### 5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds		Total	Total
	General	Restricted funds	31 December 2020	Year ended 30 September 2019
	£	£	£	£
Interest receivable and similar income;				
Interest receivable on bank deposits		1,775	1,775	1,649
		<u>1,775</u>	<u>1,775</u>	<u>1,649</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### 6 Analysis of governance and support costs

##### Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds	Total 31 December 2020	Total Year ended 30 September 2019
	General £	£	£
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements	2,163	2,163	2,302
Trustees remuneration, expenses and other expenses	4,103	4,103	5,289
	<u>6,266</u>	<u>6,266</u>	<u>7,591</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### 7 Government grants

Five grants were received in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union three funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus+ as well as A NORTIA grant for student bursaries. Additionally a grant was received from the James Madison Charitable Trust.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £38,602 (2019 - £30,424).

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the period the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

##### **Dr S Usherwood**

£Nil (2019: £240) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr S Usherwood during the period.

Staff and officers Christmas Lunch 2018 -Travel and subsistence, leaving gifts for outgoing trustees

##### **Dr M Garcia**

£247 (2019: £162) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr M Garcia during the period.

Travel and subsistence

##### **Dr K Simpson**

£Nil (2019: £273) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Simpson during the period.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr V Gravey**

£214 (2019: £238) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr V Gravey during the period.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr N Startin**

£387 (2019: £476) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr N Startin during the period.

Travel and accommodation expenses

##### **Dr J Mawdsley**

£585 (2019: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr J Mawdsley during the period.

Travel expenses and notary

##### **Dr H Maurer**

£180 (2019: £50) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr H Maurer during the period.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr K Wright**

£560 (2019: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Wright during the period.

Travel expenses

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No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>30 September</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>2019</b>
		<b>£</b>
<b>Staff costs during the period were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	<u>144,456</u>	<u>134,621</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the period expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	<b>31 December</b>	<b>30 September</b>
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
Administration	1	2
Charitable Activities	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>

(2019 - 6) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the period totalled £13,365 (2019 - £13,225).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the period

#### 10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	<b>1 October</b>	<b>Year ended 30</b>
	<b>2019 to 31</b>	<b>September</b>
	<b>December</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>2020</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Examination of the financial statements	<u>2,163</u>	<u>2,302</u>

## UACES

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#### 11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Computer equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 October 2019	21,566	21,566
Additions	23,016	23,016
At 31 December 2020	<u>44,582</u>	<u>44,582</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 October 2019	16,329	16,329
Charge for the year	12,699	12,699
At 31 December 2020	<u>29,028</u>	<u>29,028</u>
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 31 December 2020	<u>15,554</u>	<u>15,554</u>
At 30 September 2019	<u>5,237</u>	<u>5,237</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	<b>31 December 2020 £</b>	<b>30 September 2019 £</b>
Trade debtors	164	24
Prepayments	7,192	9,347
Other debtors	243,711	175,758
	<u>251,067</u>	<u>185,129</u>

#### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>31 December 2020 £</b>	<b>30 September 2019 £</b>
Trade creditors	283	15,436
Other creditors	112,600	78,958
Accruals	16,031	10,782
	<u>128,914</u>	<u>105,176</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### 15 Funds

	Balance at 1 October 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	363,323	348,004	(324,940)	386,387
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	33,935	(33,935)	-
James Madison Charitable Trust	-	4,667	(4,667)	-
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	-	38,602	(38,602)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	363,323	386,606	(363,542)	386,387
	<b>Balance at 1 October 2018 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Balance at 30 September 2019 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	339,970	357,687	(334,334)	363,323
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
European Commission	-	30,424	(30,424)	-
Other	-	714	(714)	-
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	-	31,138	(31,138)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	339,970	388,825	(365,472)	363,323

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the period from the European Commission as well as from the NORTIA fund and a grant from UCL.

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

#### 16 Analysis of net funds

	<b>At 1 October 2019 £</b>	<b>Cash flow £</b>	<b>At 31 December 2020 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	278,133	(29,453)	248,680
Net debt	<u>278,133</u>	<u>(29,453)</u>	<u>248,680</u>
	<b>At 1 October 2018 £</b>	<b>Cash flow £</b>	<b>At 30 September 2019 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	251,579	26,554	278,133
Net debt	<u>251,579</u>	<u>26,554</u>	<u>278,133</u>

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### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

	<b>Total Unrestricted funds 31 December 2020 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 30 September 2019 £</b>
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	2,060	-
Charitable activities	50,384	119,832
Other trading activities	293,785	236,206
Investment income	1,775	1,649
Total income	<u>348,004</u>	<u>357,687</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(334,334)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(324,940)</u>	<u>(334,334)</u>
Net income	<u>23,064</u>	<u>23,353</u>
Net movement in funds	23,064	23,353
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>363,323</u>	<u>339,970</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>386,387</u></u>	<u><u>363,323</u></u>

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Period from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020

	Total Restricted funds 31 December 2020 £	Restricted funds 30 September 2019 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	<u>38,602</u>	<u>31,138</u>
Total income	<u>38,602</u>	<u>31,138</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(31,138)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(38,602)</u>	<u>(31,138)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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# UACES ANNUAL REPORT

2021

*A report for the financial year running 1 October 2019 to 31 December  
2020*

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# MEMBERSHIP

## Membership

Membership of UACES decreased to 990 members as of 30/09/20 (a decrease of 12% from the previous year). This comprised 531 Individual members, 160 Early-Career members, 235 Student members and 66 Group members.

Our members are distributed across 56 countries: 36 European countries and 20 countries beyond Europe.

The table below shows from where UACES membership is sourced:

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE	AS OF 30/9/20	AS OF 30/9/19	AS OF 30/9/18	AS OF 30/9/17
<b>UK</b>	39.3%	39.6%	43.2%	52.5%
<b>Germany</b>	7.2%	6.8%	5.9%	5.2%
<b>Belgium</b>	6.2%	6.8%	6.2%	5.8%
<b>Netherlands</b>	3.9%	4.7%	4.9%	3.7%
<b>Poland</b>	3.9%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%
<b>Spain</b>	3.1%	3.3%	2.8%	2.0%
<b>Italy</b>	3.0%	3.1%	3.1%	2.3%
<b>Portugal</b>	2.9%	3.8%	1.3%	1.3%
<b>USA</b>	2.9%	2.2%	1.2%	1.2%
<b>Ireland</b>	2.4%	2.6%	2.6%	1.6%
<b>Rest of Europe</b>	17.5%	16.6%	20%	17.1%
<b>Rest of World</b>	7.7%	7.5%	7.0%	5.4%

## BENEFITS

In 2020 members benefited directly from discounts for some UACES events, grants to support research networks, fieldwork scholarships for PhD students, access to our ever-popular email list and newsletter, fully-funded conferences for postgraduate students, and indirectly through the growth of our in-house, open-access journal *JCER* and our journal co-published with Wiley, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*.

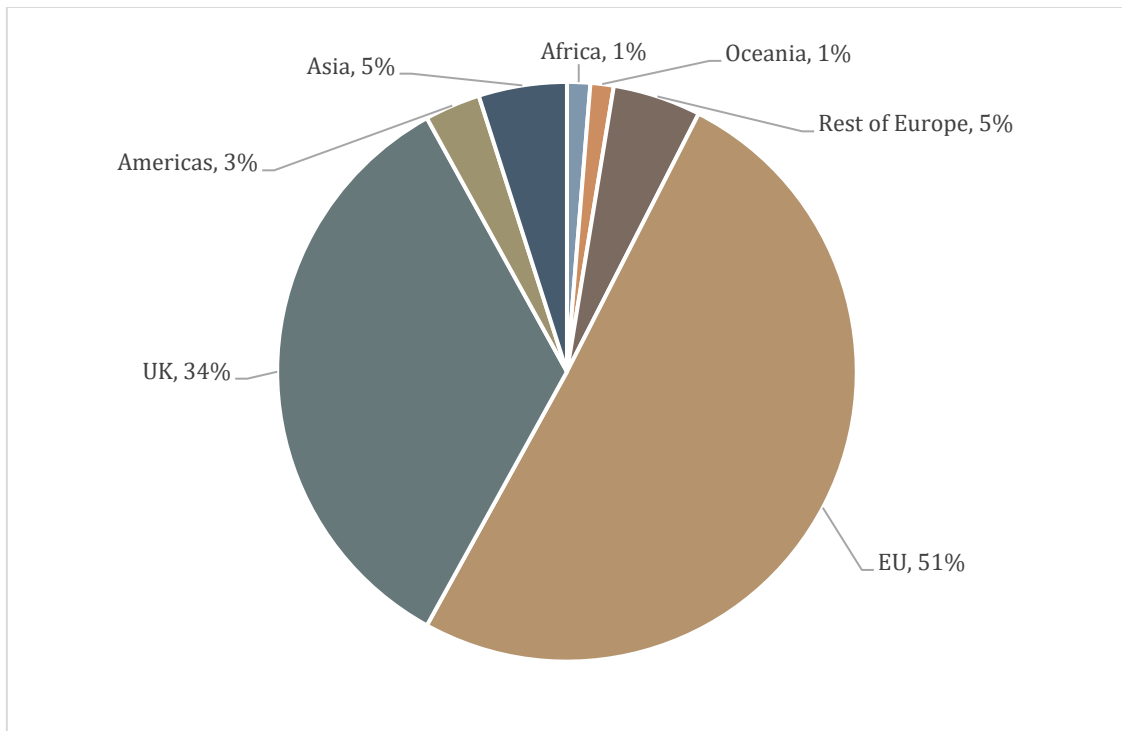
A full list of members' benefits is available to view at [www.uaces.org/membership](http://www.uaces.org/membership).

## Annual Conferences

### VIRTUAL CONFERENCE 2020

The 2020 Annual Conference took place virtually. It was attended by 387 delegates from 50 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (34%), Germany (8%), Belgium (6%), Poland (5%) and The Netherlands (4%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary session covered Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in European Studies.

#### Origin of delegates that attended Virtual Conference 2020

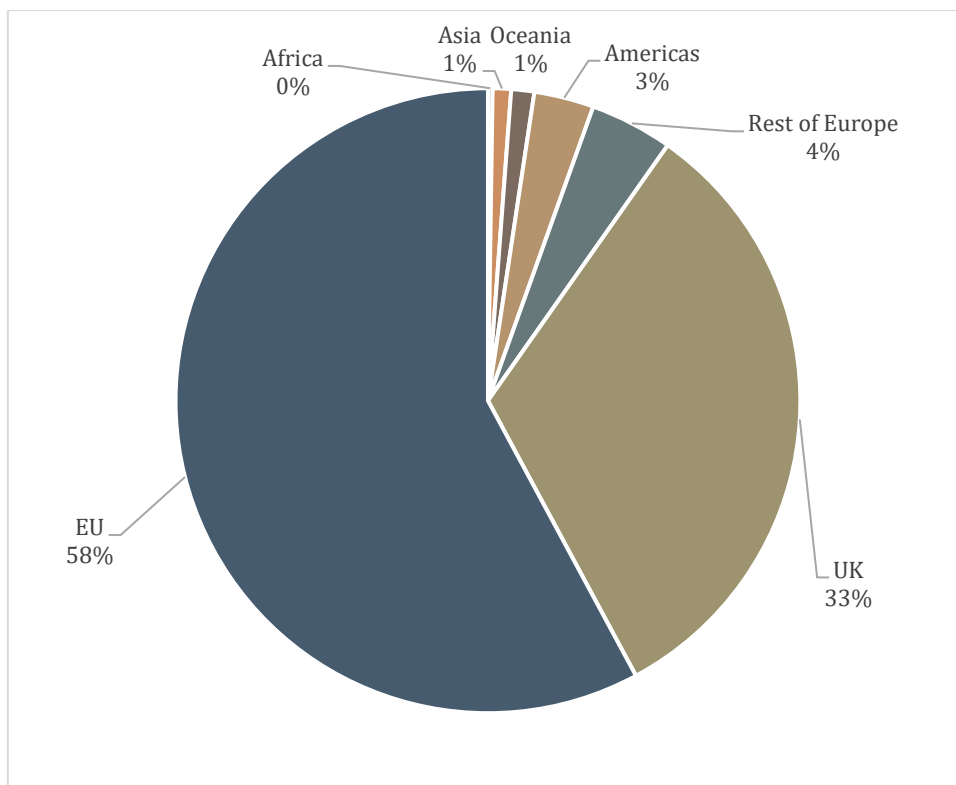


## Annual Conferences

### VIRTUAL CONFERENCE 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UACES officers took the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 annual conference in Liverpool. Instead, UACES held its 2<sup>nd</sup> virtual conference from 6-8 September 2021 on the Balloon platform. It was attended by 432 delegates from 44 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (31%), Belgium (8%), Germany (8%), Poland (6%), The Netherlands (5%) and Spain (5%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary sessions included the Future of Europe, the Northern Ireland Protocol and the JCMS Annual Review lecture presented by Federica Mogherini.

### Origin of participants for the 2021 Virtual Conference



### 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2022 Annual Conference will be hosted by ESPOL at the Université Catholique de Lille from 5-7 September 2022.

The online call for papers and panels opened in October 2021.

## Events in 2019-20

### UACES AS A HUB IN POST-BREXIT EUROPE

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Teaching, Brussels School of International Studies, 22 November 2019

The Graduate Forum research conference, due to take place on 2-3 July 2020 at Humboldt University, Berlin had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In its place the Graduate Forum ran a series of virtual seminars throughout 2020.

### DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND MULTIDISCIPLINARITY IN EUROPEAN STUDIES (DIMES)

This event was funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet projects funding:

Inaugural DIMES workshop, Leiden University, 5-6 March 2020

### OTHER EVENTS

Britain Rues the Waves?: In Conversation with Amelia Hadfield, Brussels School of International Studies, 21 November 2020

UK & EU environmental policies post-Brexit: towards 'rivalrous emulation'? In conversation with Viviane Gravey, Fondation Universitaire Stichting, Brussels, 16 January 2020

Midweek Virtual Meetups – March to April 2020

Graduate Forum online research seminars, fortnightly from May 2020 to July 2020

UACES Virtual Conference, Online, 7-11 September 2020

## Events in 2020-2021

### SECURING A FUTURE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES (SAFES)

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Careers, held virtually, November 2020

Europe in Cha(lle)nging Times, a Graduate Forum research conference held virtually from 17-18 June 2021. Over 50 delegates attended over 2 days. UACES offered small research grants of up to £100 to participants who attended.

### UACES/IACES SEMINARS

In 2021, UACES was delighted to partner with the Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies (IACES) to run a series of seminars looking at the intersection between the various crises facing Europe and how these crises affect the UK and Ireland. The seminars were held virtually via Zoom. The series was introduced by An Taoiseach Micheál Martin.

Confronting the Coronavirus Pandemic, 26 February 2021, via Zoom

Confronting Racism in Ireland, the UK and the EU, 25 June 2021, via Zoom

The final seminar in the series, looking at the Future of Europe will be held in late 2021/early 2022.

### OTHER EVENTS

The UACES virtual conference was held from 5-7 September 2021.

## Scholarships

### 2019-2020

In 2019-20, UACES was pleased to be able to offer 2 additional scholarships thanks to generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). The objectives of the Trust are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of processes that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects. 2 of the scholarships offered in 2019-20 reflected these objectives.

#### UACES Scholarships

- Giulia Casartelli (National and Capodistrian University of Athens): A Foil for Collective Identity: EU Cultural Policies as a Legitimacy Tool
- Timothy Heffernan (University of New South Wales): The politics of belonging amid crisis in Europe
- Rachel Schoner (University of California, San Diego): Repressive Regimes and Individual Petitions in the Human Rights Committee
- Larissa Versloot (University of Copenhagen): Trust in Diplomatic Practice: Negotiating Coalitions

#### UACES/JMCT Scholarships

- Alexander Mesarovich (University of Edinburgh): The impact of informal political networks on the European Union accession process of former Yugoslav countries
- Jonathan Pugh (University of Portsmouth): Staffing International Organizations: Scandinavia Influencing Global Politics (1970-2020)

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# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Unfortunately, the scholarship assessors were not able to award both JMCT scholarships and so the call for 1 of these scholarships has been reissued in 2021.

## UACES Scholarships

- Antonio Salvador Alcazar (Central European University): Everything but Arms: The transnational politics of EU preferential trade in Myanmar's garment economy
- Juliette Ganne (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies): CHECK TITLE
- Lukas Spielberger (University of Leiden): Central Bank Cooperation in Central and Eastern Europe

## UACES/JMCT Scholarships

- Gerard Casas-Soler (Universitat Pompeu Fabra): Federalism and European Integration

Next application deadline: 15 October 2021 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: 1500 GBP per person.

## UACES Archive Scholarships

In both 2020 and 2021, UACES was able to offer 1 scholarship for a PhD or Early-Career researcher to visit the Historical Archives of the European Union at the EUI in Fiesole, Italy. The scholarship was generously funded by the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). In 2020, the scholarship was specifically offered to a researcher who was interested in looking at the personal archives of the late John Pinder.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, neither scholar has yet been able to undertake their trip to the Archives, but we expect both trips to have been completed by March 2022.

### 2020 SCHOLARSHIP

The 2020 scholarship was awarded to Justin Haner of Northeastern University.

### 2021 SCHOLARSHIP

The 2021 Scholarship was awarded to Pekka Pohjankoski of Helsinki University.

## UACES Research Networks

UACES RNs are designed to encourage networking. The selection criteria for this funding stream are published on the UACES website ([www.uaces.org/networks](http://www.uaces.org/networks)). UACES has received support from the James Madison Charitable Trust which has allowed us to offer funding for 2 additional research networks for 2019-2021.

### RESEARCH NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEARS

Differentiated Integration in the European Union after 'Brexit' (2017-2020)

INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe (2017-2020)

Gendering European Studies (2018-2021)

Effective Enforcement of EU Law & Policy (2018-2021)

Communicating Europe (2019-2022)

The Limits of EUrope: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration (2019-2022)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2019-2020

Network of EU-Africa Research (NEAR) (2020-2023)

The Role of Europe in Global Challenges: Climate Change and Sustainability (2020-2023)

(Re)Imagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis (Funded by the JMCT) (2020-2023)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2020-2021

EU-Health Governance (2021-2024)

European Non-violence Network (2021-2024)

Next application deadline: 29 October 2021 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: up to 6000 GBP over 3 years per network

## Small Event Grants

### EVENTS FUNDED IN 2019-2020

Emotions in European Foreign Policy at Populist Times, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 21 November 2019

EU Cross-Border Cooperation Activities and Governance of its Eastern Neighbourhood, Cherkasy Oblast, Ukraine, 22 November 2019

Local and regional stakeholders, and European governance, Nantes, France, 3-6 February 2020

This funding stream is no longer active.

Funding available: 1000 GBP per event: [www.uaces.org/funding/small-event-grants](http://www.uaces.org/funding/small-event-grants)

## Prizes and Awards

### BEST BOOK AND BEST PHD THESIS

Since 2005, UACES has awarded each year, a prize for the Best Book and Best PhD thesis in the area of contemporary European Studies. The awards are traditionally presented at the Annual Conference.

The 2020 book prize winners were:

Simon Bulmer and William E. Paterson, *Germany and the European Union: Europe's Reluctant Hegemon? Retreat* (Bloomsbury, 2019)

Eleni Frantziou, *The Horizontal Effect of Fundamental Rights in the European Union* (Oxford University Press, 2019)

The 2020 Thesis Prize winner was:

Niels Gheyle, *Trade policy with the lights on: The origins, dynamics, and consequences of the politicization of TTIP* (Universiteit Gent, 2019)

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

There was no Lifetime Achievement Award awarded in 2020.

In 2021 the lifetime achievement award was awarded to Dr Ann Kennard.

### JCMS PRIZE

A prize is awarded for the best article of each volume.

The winners of the 2020 prize are:

Monika Bauhr and Nicholas Charron, 'In God We Trust? Identity, Institutions and International Solidarity in Europe' 58 (5): 1124-1143, <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13020>

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

The JCMS Editors wish to thank the JCMS Prize Jury: Rosalba Icaza (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Mark Langan (King's College London), Lucia Quaglia (University of Bologna) and Annick Masselot (Canterbury University).

## JCER PRIZE

In 2016-17 UACES launched a new prize: the Luke Foster JCER Prize for Best Article by an Early-Career Researcher. The prize is awarded in memory of our late Executive Director, Luke Foster.

The winner of the 2021 Luke Foster Prize for Best Article is:

Maryna Rabinovych, 'The Legal Status and Effects of the Agenda 2030 within the EU Legal Order', 16 (2): 182-199. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i2.1071>

The runners-up are:

Alexander Brand, Florian Koch, Arne Niemann and Regina Weber, 'Non-elite conceptions of Europe: Europe as reference frame in English football fan discussions', 16 (3): 293-319. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i3.1089>

Brigitte Pircher, 'The Council of the EU in Times of Economic Crisis: A Policy Entrepreneur for the Internal Market', 16 (1): 65-81. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i1.1086>

## Journal of Common Market Studies

IN 2020

Editors: Toni Hastrup and Richard Whitman

Book Reviews Editors: Ruby Gropas and Gaby Umbach

Annual Review Editors: Theofanis Exadaktylos, Roberta Guerrina and Emanuele Massetti

ISSN: 0021-9886 (print), 1468-5965 (online)

Volume 58 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: Special Issue guest edited by Theresa Kuhn and Francesco Nicoli

Issues 2-6: General Issues

The JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2019 (ISBN: 978-1-119-57208-4)

Excluding the Annual Review, 130 submissions were published. The Annual Review published 12 submissions plus an editorial and a chronology.

### LECTURES

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there was no JCMS annual lecture in 2020.

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### DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

There were over 396k full text downloads of JCMS articles in 2020. Of these, 23% were downloaded from servers in the UK, 12% in Germany, 11% in The Netherlands, 7% in the USA and 5% in Belgium.

The top 5 downloaded articles in 2020 were:

*Why There is a Democratic Deficit in the EU* Andrea Follesdal and Simon Hix, 44:3.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2006.00650.x>. (10707, 1st in 2019)

*The European Union and the Securitization of Migration*, Jef Huysmans, 38:5.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00263>. (8668, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2019)

# SUMMARY ACCOUNTS

*Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms?* Ian Manners, 40:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00353>. (6294, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2019)

*Reassessing Legitimacy in the European Union* Andrew Moravcsik, 40:4. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00390>. (6242, 4<sup>th</sup> in 2019)

*The Global Financial Crisis: Causes and Cures*, Jacopo Carmassi, Daniel Gros and Stefano Micossi, 47:5. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2009.02031.x>. (4372, 5<sup>th</sup> in 2019)

For individual subscribers, Wiley continues to offer UACES members the cheapest subscription rates for the JCMS.

## Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at [www.jcer.net](http://www.jcer.net).

Editors: Christopher Huggins, Kenneth McDonagh and Rachael Dickson

Teaching & Learning Editor: Nele Ewers-Peters (previously Karen Heard-Laureote)

ISSN: 1815-347X (online)

Volume 16 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: General Issue

Issue 2: Special Issue on EU International Development Cooperation post-2020, guest edited by Mark Furness, Luciana-Alexandra Ghica, Simon Lightfoot and Balázs Szent-Iványi.

Issue 3: General Issue

The top downloaded article (to date) for each issue is:

Brigitte Pircher, 'The Council of the EU in Times of Economic Crisis: A Policy Entrepreneur for the Internal Market', 16 (1): 65-81. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i1.1086>

Sarah Delputte and Jan Orbie, 'Paradigm Shift or Reinventing the Wheel? Towards a Research Agenda on Change and Continuity in EU Development Policy', 16 (2): 234-256.

<https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i2.1084>

Niels Keijzer, 'Drifting towards exhaustion? Historical institutionalist perspectives on recent efforts to modernise the EU's partnerships with African states', 16 (3): 260-275.

<https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v16i3.1076>

## Routledge-UACES Contemporary European Studies series

The book series was established in 2006. Since then, 63 titles have been published, with many subsequently released as paperbacks. Routledge continues to make the books available to UACES members at a reduced price.

The series editors are Chad Damro, Elaine Fahey and David Howarth.

In 2020 there were 4 new books published in the series.

- Sylvia Kritzinger, Carolina Plescia, Kolja Raube, James Wilhelm, Jan Wouters, eds., *Assessing the 2019 European Parliament Elections*
- Sebastian Steingass, *Transnational Networks and EU International Cooperation: In Pursuit of Effectiveness*
- Paul Stephenson, María Luisa Sánchez Barrueco and Hartmut Aden, eds., *Financial Accountability in the European Union: Institutions, Policy and Practice*
- Bart M. J. Szewczyk, *European Sovereignty, Legitimacy, and Power*