

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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Reference and Administrative Details

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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.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 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, Arnþjótur 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)

- 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

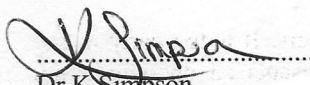
b) Focus during 2018-2021 (current Chair's term of office) on the following particular areas:

- 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

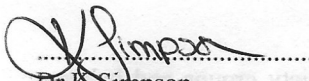
The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

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.

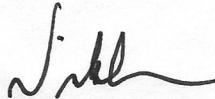
Independent examiner's statement

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.



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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 £
Income and Endowments from:				
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>-</u>	<u>1,775</u>
Total income		<u>348,004</u>	<u>38,602</u>	<u>386,606</u>
Expenditure on:				
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
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>363,323</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>363,323</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>386,387</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>386,387</u></u>
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 30 September 2019 £
Income and Endowments from:				
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>-</u>	<u>1,649</u>
Total income		<u>357,687</u>	<u>31,138</u>	<u>388,825</u>
Expenditure on:				
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
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>339,970</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>339,970</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>363,323</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>363,323</u></u>

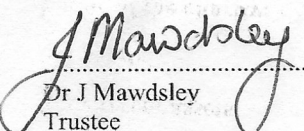
All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2019 is shown in note 15.

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

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

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		
	General £	Restricted funds £	Total 31 December 2020 £
			Total Year ended 30 September 2019 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	2,060	-	2,060
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	-	38,602	38,602
Grants from other charities	-	-	-
	<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 31 December 2020	Total Year ended 30 September 2019
	General £	Restricted funds £	£	£
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 31 December 2020	Total Year ended 30 September 2019
	General £		£	£
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 31 December 2020	Total Year ended 30 September 2019
	General £		£	£
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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6 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds		
	General £	Total 31 December 2020 £	Total Year ended 30 September 2019 £
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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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:

	2020 £	30 September 2019 £
Staff costs during the period were:		
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:

	31 December 2020 No	30 September 2019 No
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

	1 October 2019 to 31 December 2020 £	Year ended 30 September 2019 £
Examination of the financial statements	<u>2,163</u>	<u>2,302</u>

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11 Taxation

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

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 October 2019	21,566	21,566
Additions	23,016	23,016
At 31 December 2020	44,582	44,582
Depreciation		
At 1 October 2019	16,329	16,329
Charge for the year	12,699	12,699
At 31 December 2020	29,028	29,028
Net book value		
At 31 December 2020	15,554	15,554
At 30 September 2019	5,237	5,237

13 Debtors

	31 December 2020 £	30 September 2019 £
Trade debtors	164	24
Prepayments	7,192	9,347
Other debtors	243,711	175,758
	251,067	185,129

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2020 £	30 September 2019 £
Trade creditors	283	15,436
Other creditors	112,600	78,958
Accruals	16,031	10,782
	128,914	105,176

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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 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	363,323	348,004	(324,940)	386,387
Restricted funds				
European Commission	-	33,935	(33,935)	-
James Madison Charitable Trust	-	4,667	(4,667)	-
Total restricted funds	-	38,602	(38,602)	-
Total funds	363,323	386,606	(363,542)	386,387
	Balance at 1 October 2018 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 September 2019 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	339,970	357,687	(334,334)	363,323
Restricted funds				
European Commission	-	30,424	(30,424)	-
Other	-	714	(714)	-
Total restricted funds	-	31,138	(31,138)	-
Total funds	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.

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16 Analysis of net funds

	At 1 October 2019 £	Cash flow £	At 31 December 2020 £
Cash at bank and in hand	278,133	(29,453)	248,680
Net debt	278,133	(29,453)	248,680
	At 1 October 2018 £	Cash flow £	At 30 September 2019 £
Cash at bank and in hand	251,579	26,554	278,133
Net debt	251,579	26,554	278,133

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

	Total Unrestricted funds 31 December 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 30 September 2019 £
Income and Endowments from:		
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>
Expenditure on:		
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
Reconciliation of funds		
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>

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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 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	38,602	31,138
Total income	38,602	31,138
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	(38,602)	(31,138)
Total expenditure	(38,602)	(31,138)
Net income/(expenditure)	-	-
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	-	-

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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 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
UK	39.3%	39.6%	43.2%	52.5%
Germany	7.2%	6.8%	5.9%	5.2%
Belgium	6.2%	6.8%	6.2%	5.8%
Netherlands	3.9%	4.7%	4.9%	3.7%
Poland	3.9%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%
Spain	3.1%	3.3%	2.8%	2.0%
Italy	3.0%	3.1%	3.1%	2.3%
Portugal	2.9%	3.8%	1.3%	1.3%
USA	2.9%	2.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Ireland	2.4%	2.6%	2.6%	1.6%
Rest of Europe	17.5%	16.6%	20%	17.1%
Rest of World	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*.

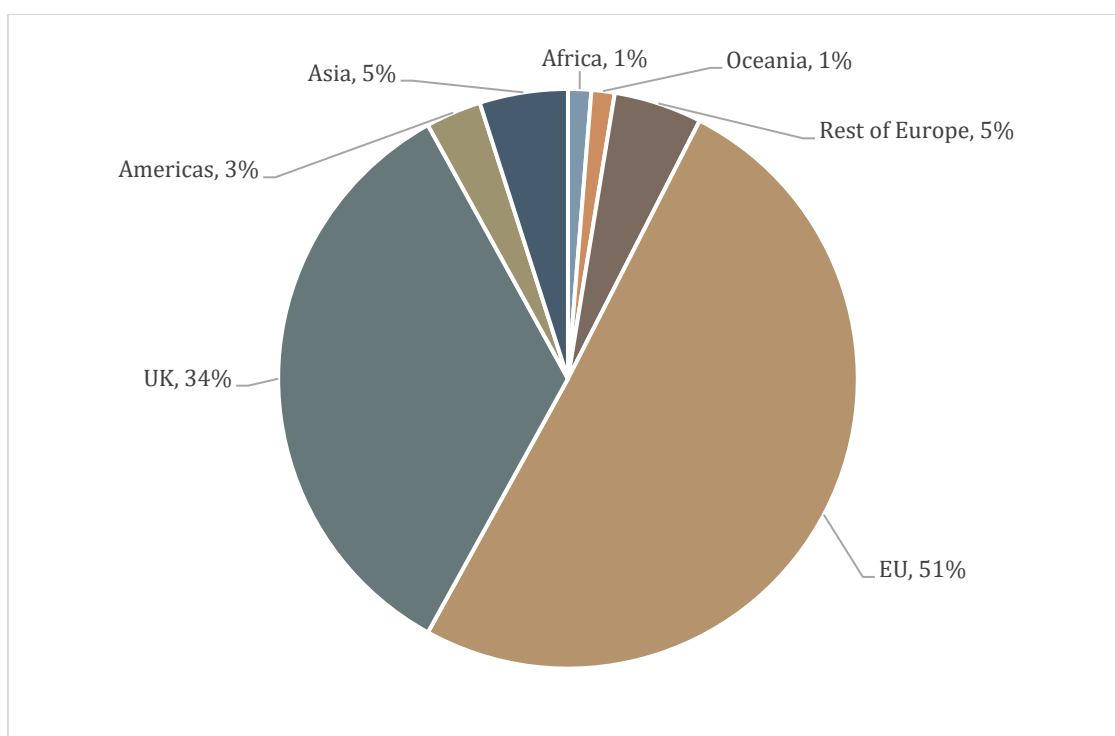
A full list of members' benefits is available to view at www.uaces.org/membership.

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

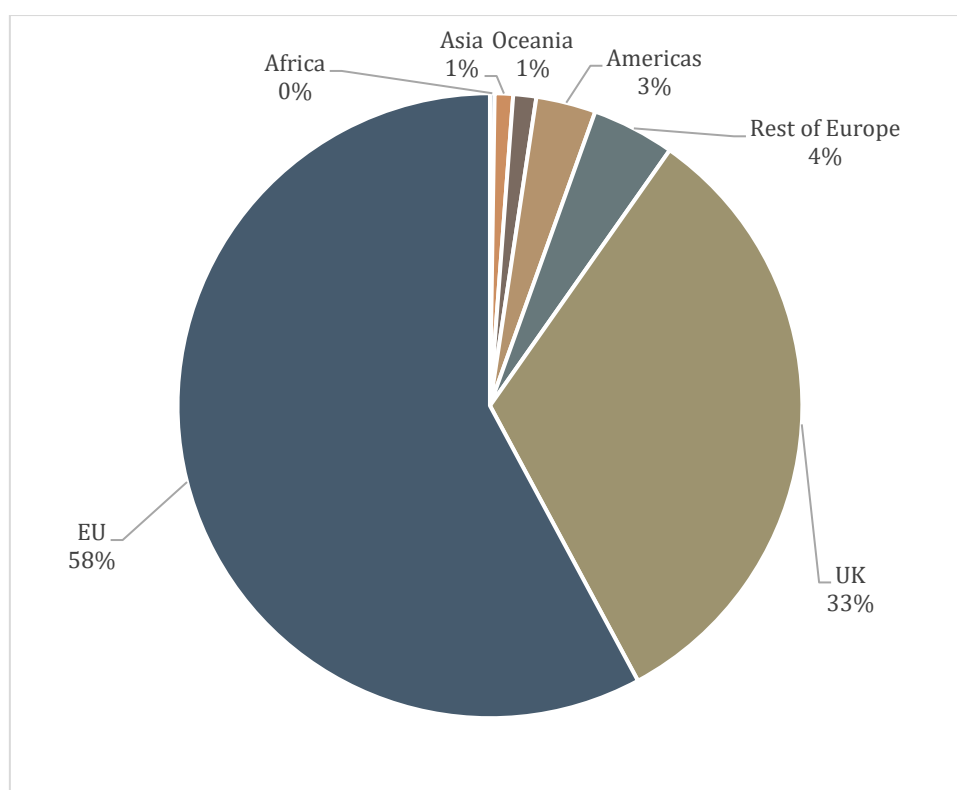


Annual Conferences

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 2nd 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.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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)

2020-2021

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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.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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). 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

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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

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 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>

SUMMARY ACCOUNTS

Journal of Common Market Studies

IN 2020

Editors: Toni Haastrup 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, 2nd in 2019)

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Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms? Ian Manners, 40:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00353>. (6294, 3rd in 2019)

Reassessing Legitimacy in the European Union Andrew Moravcsik, 40:4. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00390>. (6242, 4th 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, 5th in 2019)

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

SUMMARY ACCOUNTS

Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at 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*