

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Charity Name: Centre for Democracy and Peace Research

Charity Number: 1175884

1. Reference and Administrative Details

- Charity Name: Centre for Democracy and Peace Research
- Charity Registration Number: 1175884
- Principal Address: 183 Angel Place, Fore street, London N18 2UD

Trustees serving during the year:

- Dr. Yilmaz Keles – Chairperson and Treasurer
- Dr. Naif Bezwan– Secretary
- Bankers: Co-operative Bank

2. Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its constitution, adopted in accordance with Charity Commission guidance. It operates as a charitable trust.

Trustees are appointed in line with the governing document. Induction is provided through access to Charity Commission guidance such as The Essential Trustee (CC3). The trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and governance of the charity. The day-to-day activities are carried out by the trustees and volunteers, as the charity does not currently employ paid staff.

3. Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is to promote the advancement of human rights, social, and cultural rights in Turkey and UK

During this reporting period, Centre for Democracy and Peace Research (CDPR) has demonstrated its role as a trusted partner in identifying the needs of the human rights sector and addressing challenges related to social and cultural rights.

CDPR aims to contribute to capacity building for NGOs and CSOs in Turkey and UK by;

- Supporting project development and delivery.
- Facilitating networking and solidarity between civil society organisations.
- Enhancing the visibility of human rights issues through research and dialogue.

These activities serve the public benefit by empowering rights-based organisations, promoting civic engagement, and strengthening democratic values.

4. Financial Review

- Total income: £752
- Total expenditure: £1459
- Reserves held at year end: £1,762

CDPR's primary income sources include grants, donations, and project-specific funding.

Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain a level of reserves sufficient to cover of core operating costs to ensure continuity of services.

The charity remains financially stable and continues to operate in accordance with its objectives and budget.

5. Plans for the Future

Looking ahead, the charity intends to:

- Expand its work on democratic governance and inclusion.
- Develop new partnerships with academic institutions and human rights networks.
- Secure funding to broaden its reach and impact.
- Continue its work supporting Turkish and British civil society in a challenging geopolitical environment.

6. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this report, and it is signed on their behalf by:

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Yilmazkeles' in a cursive script.

Dr. Yilmaz Keles – Chairperson and Treasurer

Date: 04/08/2025