

**THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION
(FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)**

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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**THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL
FOUNDATION)
CHARITY INFORMATION**

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**THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees, present their report and the financial statements of The Brazil Friends Foundation (formerly The Brazil Football Foundation) which is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("the CIO"), for the year ended 31 December 2023. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

CONSTITUTION

The Charity was formed as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 19 February 2020, and is registered with the Charity Commission – Registration number 1188644.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Brazil Friends Foundation (formerly The Brazil Football Foundation) (the "Charity") is a CIO and is governed by its constitution dated 19 February 2020.

Method of appointment of Trustees

Any person may be appointed to be a Trustee by ordinary resolution, or by a decision of the Trustees. The number of Trustees should be not less than 3. The Trustees are appointed and operate in accordance with the Trust Deed. No formal policies have been adopted for the induction and training of Trustees.

The induction process for any new Trustee consists of an initial meeting with existing Trustees prior to the commencement of a mentoring process overseen by the Trustees.

None of the Trustees receive any remuneration from the CIO in respect of their role as Trustees.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Trustees have given consideration to the principal risks and uncertainties to which the Charity is exposed. These are in relation to the availability of cash to fund grant commitments. The Trustees will not enter into any grant commitments unless they have sufficient funds in place.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, and systems have been established to mitigate these risks.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives of the CIO are to provide financial grants to other charities, organisations and projects which are based in, or carry out their work in Brazil, and to generally support the public and communities in need in Brazil, in accordance with its charitable purposes. At present, this is achieved through hosting annual fundraising events.

Public benefit statement

The Charities Act 2011 requires all charities to meet the legal requirement that its aims are for the public benefit. The Charity Commission in its Charities and Public Benefit guidance states that there are two key principles to be met in order to show that an organisation's aims are for the public benefit: firstly, there must be an identifiable benefit or benefits and secondly, that the benefit must be to the public or a section of the public. The Trustees consider that they have complied with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 including guidance the 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Grant making policy

The Charity has established its grant making policy to achieve its objects for the public benefit to generally support the public and communities in need in Brazil. Grant applications are considered on a case by case basis by the Trustees and only approved if they meet this objective.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Review of the year

During the year the Charity hosted its second annual fundraising event in London for the Gerando Falcoes project. All the donations raised from the fundraising dinner (after event costs and support costs) were granted and paid to Gerando Falcoes. Gerando Falcoes is a not-for-profit organisation incorporated under the laws of Brazil, whose main purpose is to deliver education, economic development, and citizen services in the favelas of Brazil.

The Charity also hosted another fundraising event during the year for the Instituto Protea. All the donations raised from the fundraising dinner (after event costs and support costs) were granted and paid to Instituto Protea. Instituto Protea is a not-for-profit organisation incorporated under the laws of Brazil, whose main purpose is to provide treatment for breast cancer to women in Brazil.

Financial Review

During the year ended 31 December 2023, the CIO received donations, other trading income and interest of £639,051 (2022: £329,643), and expenditure of £618,103 (2022: £301,974) was incurred.

At the Balance Sheet date, restricted funds were in surplus by £38,071 and unrestricted funds were in surplus by £6,926 (2022: £24,270 surplus in restricted funds and £221 deficit in unrestricted funds). This is in line with the reserves policy noted below.

RESERVES POLICY

The Charity's aim is to maintain minimal reserves, which should be sufficient to cover its expected non grant expenditure for at least one year.

TRUSTEES

Trustees during the year and at the date of this report are listed on page 1. The Trustees are involved in the day to day management of the Charity.

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EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

Post year end the CIO hosted another fundraising dinner and entered into a commitment in July 2024 to grant £300,000 of funds raised at the event to Gerando Falcoes.

On 19 June 2024, the Trustees passed a resolution to change the name of the Charity from The Brazil Football Foundation to The Brazil Friends Foundation.

FUTURE AIMS

The Trustees intend that the Charity will continue to support a range of causes through the provision of grants.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law regulations.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. They 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.

By Order of the Trustees

Maira Genovese
Maira Genovese (Oct 31, 2024 13:07 EDT)

Trustee: M Genovese

Date: 31/10/2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Brazil Friends Foundation (formerly The Brazil Football Foundation) for the year ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cashflows and related notes.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 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.

As permitted by Direction 2, issued by the Charity Commission the firm for which I work has provided the Company with bookkeeping services during the year ended 31 December 2023. As a consequence I have followed the requirement of the FRC's Ethical Standard when undertaking this assignment.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the CIO's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011. 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRAZIL
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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 financial statements to be reached.

Nikki Crane FCA

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London
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Date: 31 October 2024

THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME					
Donations and legacies	2	14,499	-	14,499	7,166
Other trading activities	3	-	624,552	624,552	322,050
Interest		-	-	-	427
Total incoming resources		14,499	624,552	639,051	329,643
EXPENDITURE					
Cost of raising funds	4	-	53,028	53,028	37,168
Charitable expenditure	5	-	543,702	543,702	252,794
Governance costs	6	7,352	14,021	21,373	12,012
Total resources expended		7,352	610,751	618,103	301,974
NET INCOME AND MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		7,147	13,801	20,948	27,669
Total funds at 1 January		(221)	24,270	24,049	(3,620)
Total funds at 31 December		6,926	38,071	44,997	24,049

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)
BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	23,017		32,622	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>42,873</u>		<u>3,679</u>	
		65,890		36,301	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>20,893</u>		<u>12,252</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			44,997		24,049
NET ASSETS			<u>44,997</u>		<u>24,049</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted	10		6,926		(221)
Restricted	10		<u>38,071</u>		<u>24,270</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>44,997</u>		<u>24,049</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

Maira Genovese
Maira Genovese (Oct 31, 2024 13:07 EDT)

Trustee: M Genovese

Date: 31/10/2024

THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)
STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Net cash generated by operating activities	12	<u>39,194</u>	<u>3,579</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents in the year		39,194	3,579
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		3,679	100
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		<u><u>42,873</u></u>	<u><u>3,679</u></u>

THE BRAZIL FRIENDS FOUNDATION (FORMERLY THE BRAZIL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION)
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following 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) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity.

The Charity 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.

1.2 Going concern

At the balance sheet date, the Charity's restricted funds were in surplus by £38,071, and unrestricted funds were in surplus by £6,926 (2022: £24,270 surplus in restricted funds and £221 deficit in unrestricted funds).

Based on the above, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the financial statements.

1.3 Income and expenditure

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds and it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donated goods and services are recognised when the Charity has control over any item, any conditions associated with the donation have been met, and the receipt is probable.

The value of the goods and services are measured on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity, which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain the goods or service. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

1.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises those grants payable and associated costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support it.

Governance costs comprise all costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity. The basis for allocation or apportionment is on time spent in relation to the relevant fund and is analysed in note 6.

1.6 Financial instruments

The charity has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments which include trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and cash and bank balances. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 2023 £	Unrestricted 2022 £
Donations	14,499	7,166
	<u>14,499</u>	<u>7,166</u>

3 Income from other trading activities

	Restricted 2023 £	Restricted 2022 £
Fundraising events	595,052	302,150
Donated goods	29,500	19,900
	<u>624,552</u>	<u>322,050</u>

4 Cost of raising funds

	Restricted 2023 £	Restricted 2022 £
Fundraising events	53,028	37,168
	<u>53,028</u>	<u>37,168</u>

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5 Charitable expenditure

	Restricted 2023 £	Restricted 2022 £
Grant to Gerando Falcoes	483,802	233,203
Grant to Instituto Protea	30,075	-
Donated goods	29,500	19,500
Bank charges	325	91
	<u>543,702</u>	<u>252,794</u>

Gerando Falcoes is a not-for-profit organisation incorporated under the laws of Brazil, whose main purpose is to deliver education, economic development, and citizen services in the favelas of Brazil.

Instituto Protea is a not-for-profit organisation incorporated under the laws of Brazil, whose main purpose is to provide treatment for breast cancer to women in Brazil.

6 Governance costs

	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Accountancy	2,225	2,225	4,450
Independent examination fees	2,315	2,315	4,630
Legal and professional	2,812	9,481	12,293
	<u>7,352</u>	<u>14,021</u>	<u>21,373</u>

	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Accountancy	2,094	1,866	3,960
Independent examination fees	2,100	2,100	4,200
Legal and professional	-	3,852	3,852
	<u>4,194</u>	<u>7,818</u>	<u>12,012</u>

Allocation or apportionment of governance costs is based on time spent in relation to the relevant fund. Independent examination fees are split 50:50 between unrestricted and restricted funds.

7 Trustees

None of the Trustees received remuneration in the year nor were any expenses reimbursed to them.

8 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments	10,000	-
Other debtors	13,017	32,622
	<u>23,017</u>	<u>32,622</u>

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9 Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade payables	10,393	2,340
Accruals	10,500	9,912
	<u>20,893</u>	<u>12,252</u>

10 Movement in funds

	As at 1 January 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	As at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted Funds:				
General	(221)	14,499	(7,352)	6,926
Restricted Funds:				
Gerando Falcoes	24,270	591,922	(578,121)	38,071
Instituto Protea	-	32,630	(32,630)	-
	<u>24,049</u>	<u>639,051</u>	<u>(618,103)</u>	<u>44,997</u>

	As at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	As at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted Funds:				
General	(3,620)	7,593	(4,194)	(221)
Restricted Funds:				
Gerando Falcoes	-	322,050	(297,780)	24,270
	<u>(3,620)</u>	<u>329,643</u>	<u>(301,974)</u>	<u>24,049</u>

11 Analysis of charity net assets between funds

	Current Assets 2023 £	Current Liabilities 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Unrestricted Funds:			
General	14,038	(7,112)	6,926
Restricted Funds:			
Gerando Falcoes	51,852	(13,781)	38,071
	<u>65,890</u>	<u>(20,893)</u>	<u>44,997</u>

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11 Analysis of charity net assets between funds (continued)

	Current Assets 2022 £	Current Liabilities 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Unrestricted Funds:			
General	3,679	(3,900)	(221)
Restricted Funds:			
Gerando Falcoes	32,622	(8,352)	24,270
	<u>36,301</u>	<u>(12,252)</u>	<u>24,049</u>

12 Cash generated from operations

	2023 £	2022 £
Net movement in funds for the period	20,948	27,669
Movement in working capital		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	9,605	(32,622)
Increase in creditors	8,641	8,532
Cash flow generated by operating activities	<u>39,194</u>	<u>3,579</u>

13 Transactions with related parties

No related party transactions requiring disclosure took place during the year.

14 Events after the reporting period

Subsequent to the year end the Charity hosted another fundraising dinner and entered into a commitment in July 2024 to grant £300,000 of funds raised at the event to Gerando Falcoes.