European Association of Social Anthropologists (A company limited by guarantee)

Report of the Executive Committee and Unaudited Financial Statements For the Period 1 August 2006 to 31 December 2007

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Report of the executive committee for the period 1 August 2006 to 31 December 2007

The executive committee presents its report and unaudited financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2007.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:

European Association of Social Anthropologists

Charity registration number:

1108186

Company registration number:

05181210

Registered Office and

operation address:

Department of Archaeology and Anthropology

University of Bristol

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Directors

Prof. L. Kurti (resigned 10th February 2007)

Prof. D. H. Drackle (resigned 10th February 2007)

Dr. J. P. Mitchell (resigned 10th February 2007)

Prof. T Fillitz (appointed 10th February 2007)

Prof. S Randeria (appointed 10th February 2007)

Dr D P Shankland MA PhD (appointed 10th February 2007)

Trustees, who act as the Executive Committee:

Until February 2007:

Dr. Jon Mitchell (Treasurer) (resigned 10th February 2007)

Prof. Dorle Drackle (President/Chair) (term ended 10th February 2007)

Prof. Laszlo Kurti (Secretary) (resigned 10th February 2007)

Prof. Peter Pels (Journal editor) (resigned 10th February 2007)

Dr E. Papagaroufali (Trustee) (term ended 10th February 2007)

Prof. A. Barrera-Gonzalez (Trustee) (term ended 10th February 2007)

Ass. Prof. Helena Wulff Hannerz (Trustee) (term ended 10th February 2007)

Dr. B.C.M.E. De L'Estoile (Trustee) (re-elected)

After February 2007:

Dr. B.C.M.E. De L'Estoile (Trustee) (re-elected 10th February 2007)

Dr David Shankland (Treasurer) (appointed 10th February 2007)

Ass. Prof. Helena Wulff Hannerz (Trustee) (Appointed Journal editor 10th February 2007)

Prof. T Fillitz (Secretary) (appointed 10th February 2007)

Prof. S Randeria (President) (appointed 10th February 2007)

Dr Manuela Cunha (appointed 10th February 2007)

Prof. Michal Buchowski (appointed 10th February 2007)

Prof. Gisli Palsson (appointed 10th February 2007)

Secretary

Dr. D Shankland

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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 15 July 2004 and registered as a charity on 18 February 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and Appointment of Executive Committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the executive committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the executive committee are elected to serve for a period of two years. They may be elected for a second period of two years, up to a maximum of four years.

Five trustees are elected by postal ballot of the members. The trustees may co-opt two further trustees and the trustees can also appoint a trustee to act as Treasurer. Trustees are required to be members of the Association with the exception of the trustee acting as Treasurer.

Members of the Association fall into the following categories:

Founder Members:- Those who attended the inaugural general assembly of the unincorporated association on 14 January 1989.

Ordinary Members: Eligible by possession of a doctoral degree or equivalent.

Honorary Members:- Distinguished scholars selected by trustees.

Associate Members: - Those who do not meet the criteria for ordinary membership but are actively involved in the pursuit of social anthropology. Associate members cannot stand for election as trustees or vote in elections for trustees.

Objectives and Activities

The company's objects and principal activities are to:-

Advance the education of the public in social anthropology in particular but not exclusively by:

- (a) promoting, undertaking and supporting research and publishing the useful results thereof;
- (b) organising conferences, symposia, workshops and other like events; and
- (c) supporting and funding networks of scholars (known as scholarly networks) who are advancing the education of the public in the same, i.e. social anthropology.

Anthropology is the study of the origins of human beings and their cultures worldwide. Social anthropology is that branch of anthropology that deals with human culture and society.

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Achievements and Performance

CONFERENCE AND AGM

The Association organises a large conference once every two years. That for 2006 was held at the University of Bristol, 18 – 21 September. To this end, the Executive Committee met before the conference, and also during it, at which time the decision to hold the next conference in Slovenia, at the city of Ljubljana, in August 2008 was taken. The AGM of the Association was held in Paris, on 14 December 2007, held in conjunction with the French society of anthropologists.

PUBLICATIONS - JOURNAL

A decision was made finally to leave Cambridge University Press in September 2006. The journal has therefore been published by Blackwells since January 2007.

PUBLICATIONS - BOOKS

The Association, in conjunction with Berghahn Books, continued work on volumes 6-9 of the EASA series, which we eventually published in 2007.

Financial Review

The principal funding source for the charity is the receipt of membership subscriptions. The current period has continued to see increasing membership, and we will continue to seek ways in which this strong membership base may be maintained. In seeking some diversification of income, we hope that the mooted discussion to move publication of our journal will lead ultimately to a surplus, rather than a cost to the Association, from that activity. As overheads are limited largely to the administration of members (which is sourced through NomadIT), and the occasional meetings of the Executive and Conference Committees, we believe that the finances are sound.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves each year most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term. No funds at present are available for long term investment.

Reserves Policy

The executive committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby Executive Committee meetings - held 2 to 3 times per year - review current reserves in the light of an overall annual budget.

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Responsibilities of the Trustees

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and of the income and expenditure of the company for that period. In preparing these the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the company will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets for the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the directors on .22 of Sanway 2007 and signed on its behalf by

DR D P SHANKLAND

Trustee D. JS V

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Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating Income & Expenditure Account) for the period 1 August 2006 to 31 December 2007

·		Unrestricted Funds 2007	Restricted Funds 2007	Total Funds 2007	Total Funds 2006 (12 mths)
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	2	53031	-	53031	44622
Investment income	_	1461	-	1461	•
Incoming resources from					
charitable activities:					
Conferences and Workshops		138699	-	138699	-
Publication income		3574	•	3574	-
Other incoming resources					
Gain on exchange		1056	-	1056	-
Total incoming resources		197821	-	197821	44622
Resources expended	3	186233	-	186233	18986
Total resources expended		186233	-	186233	18986
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Net income/(expenditure) Net incoming/(outgoing) resource	es	11588	-	11588	25636
Other recognised gains		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		11588	-	11588	25636
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		39700	10413	50113	24477
Total funds carried forward		51288	10413	61701	50113
					

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the period. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2007

	31/12/07				31/07/06		
	Notes	£	£	£	£		
Current assets	•						
Debtors	6	1084		39301			
Cash at bank and in hand		69486		35323			
		70570		74624			
Creditors: amounts falling due		-					
within one year	7	8869		24511			
Net current assets			61701 .		50113		
Net assets			61701		50113		
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Unrestricted funds							
General funds			51288		39700		
Restricted funds			10413		10413		
Total funds	8		61701		50113		
							

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

- (a) that for the period stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by Section 249A(2) of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to Section 249(B)(2) requesting that an audit be conducted for the period ended 31 December 2007 and
- (c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:
- (1) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221 and
- (2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial period and of its profit or loss for the period then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

Approved by the executive committee and signed on its behalf by:

DR DP SHANKLAND Director and Trustee

Date: 23rd January 2009

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the period 1 August 2006 to 31 December 2007

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the period.

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007), the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in March 2005.

The change in the accounting date was to match the accounts to the membership year, which runs January to December the natural financial cycle of the charity.

(b) Fund accounting

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

(c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations, membership subscriptions and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Incoming resources from grants conferences and workshops where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance. This could result in income from the bi-ennial conferences being deferred until the conference takes place.

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(d) Resources expended

- Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis inclusive of any VAT.
- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- 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.
- As the income of the charity is less than £250,000 resources expended can be analysed by natural classification per Appendix 5 to the SORP 2005 (see note 3).

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2007 Total	2006 Total (12 months)
Membership Subscriptions	53031		53031	44622

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3. Total resources expended

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-	2007	2006
	Total	Total
		(12 months)
	£	£
Charitable expenditure		
Journal production	19392	3783
Conference costs - administration	34006	-
Conference costs - other ·	105148	_
Membership administration	13006	7775
Trustees expenses	11176	5297
Website design	1600	-
Other expenses	410	1132
Accountancy – examination report	1495	999
Total resources expended	186233	18986
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4. Trustee Remuneration & Related Party Transactions

No members of the executive committee received any remuneration during the period. Travel costs amounting to £ 11176 were reimbursed to 8 members of the executive committee.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the period.

No balance was due to or from the trustees at the balance sheet date.

5. Taxation

No provision has been made in the accounts for Corporation Tax as the company is a non-profit making organisation and a registered charity.

6. Debtors

	2007 £	2006 £
Other debtors and prepayments	1084	39301
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7. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due within One Year		
<u> </u>	2007	2006
	£	£
Other creditors and accruals	8869	24511

8. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds Restricted **Total Funds** General Funds **Funds** £ £ £ 70570 Current assets 60157 10413 Current liabilities (8869)(8869)61701 Net assets at 31 December 2007 51288 10413

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9. Movements in Funds

	At 1 August 2006	Incoming Resources (inc. gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31 December 2007
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:					
Translation fund	10413	-	-	-	10413
Total restricted funds	10413				10413
					
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	39700	197821	(186233)	-	51288
					
Total unrestricted funds	39700	197821	(186233)	-	51288
Total Funds	50113	197821	(186233)	-	61701
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Purpose of Restricted Funds

Grant: Funding for book translations, the balance of which is depleted as costs are incurred. The grant becomes repayable only if the funds are not used.

10. Control

The Charity is controlled by the Trustees executive committee.

11. Post Balance Sheet Event

The accounts were authorised for issue by the Directors on .23 January 2009

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGISTS

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We report on the accounts for the period ended 31 December 2007 set out on pages 5 to 11.

In accordance with the engagement letter dated 12th May 2006 and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 1985, we have compiled the financial statements of the charitable company European Association of Social Anthropologists which comprise the statement of financial activities incorporating the income and expenditure account, the balance sheet and the related notes from the accounting records and information and explanations you have given to us.

This report is made to the Charity's Board of Directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Charity's Board of Directors that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Board of Directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of directors and reporting accountant

As described on page 6, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the charity accounts, and they consider that the charity is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion.

Basis of opinion

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of comparing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the charity, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the charity as we considered necessary for the purpose of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the charity under s.221 of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records:
 - (i) the financial statements have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in s.249C(6) of the Act; and
 - (ii) the charity satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the financial statements for the period, specified in s.249A(4) of the Act as modified by s.249A(5) and did not, at any time within that period, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemption specified in s.249B(1).

9 Albert Mews Third Avenue Hove East Sussex BN3 2PP

Spiro Williams & Co Chartered Accountants

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Date: 23 January 2009