



**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION**

**(Registered Charity No. 1118621 and Company No. 06074877)**

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

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The Trustees present their report and the independently audited financial statements for the year to 31 December 2018. These have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 15 to 17 and comply with applicable charity law.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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) as updated by Update Bulletin 1 (published 2 February 2016).

## 1. REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Sofronie Foundation (“the Foundation” or “the charitable company”), registered charity number 1118621 and company number 06074877, is based and administered in the United Kingdom. The registered address is Eighth Floor, 6 New Street Square, New Fetter Lane, London EC4A 3AQ.

### **Directors and Trustees:**

The names of the Directors, who are also the Trustees, who served throughout the year are:

- Hendricus (Harold) Coenradus Albertus Goddijn
- Corinne Daniele Goddijn-Vigreux
- Robert Wilne
- Ajay Soni
- Boris Walbaum

### **Bankers:**

Goldman Sachs, Christchurch Court, 10-15 Newgate Street, London EC1A 7HD

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### **Independent Auditor:**

Rawlinson & Hunter Audit LLP, Statutory Auditor, Eighth Floor, 6 New Street Square, New Fetter Lane, London EC4A 3AQ

### **Solicitors:**

Withers LLP, 16 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7EG

**Website:** [www.sofronie.org](http://www.sofronie.org)

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****2. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Sofronie Foundation is a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 30 January 2007, as revised on 4 September 2017, and is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

The Trustees meet at least four times each year to discuss and develop the Foundation's goals and strategy and to review grant proposals and general grant requests.

The number of Trustees shall be a minimum of three at any one time and new Trustees shall be appointed by ordinary resolution by the existing Trustees. The maximum number of Trustees may be fixed but if not fixed, will be seven. The range of skills represented on the Trustee Board will be kept under review as the Foundation develops over time.

**Induction and Training**

As part of their training, Trustees were given an information pack which includes the Foundation's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Charity Commission guidance on Trustees' Responsibilities, past Trustee annual reports and relevant minutes of Trustee meetings. The Foundation will provide induction training for all new Trustees. All Trustees are reminded of their duties and obligations under the law in addition to their proper conduct. Induction training is frequently reviewed.

**Related parties**

None of the Trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the Foundation. Any transactions between the Foundation and the related parties must be approved by the Trustees.

Transactions with related parties are disclosed in Note 11 to the financial statements.

**Pay policy for senior staff**

The directors, who are the Foundation's Trustees, and the senior management team comprise the key management personnel of the charity in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the Foundation on a day to day basis.

All directors give of their time freely and no director received remuneration in the year. Details of directors' expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in Note 11 to the accounts. The pay of the senior staff reflects the level of responsibilities and skills set required. The pay is reviewed annually.

**Trustees' Responsibilities Statement**

The Trustees (who are also directors of Sofronie Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report of the Trustees (including the Strategic Report) and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 FRS 102;
- make judgements and 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

**Internal Controls**

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has appropriate systems of internal controls. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Foundation and enable them to ensure that the financial statements follow best practice. They are also responsible for the Foundation safeguarding its assets and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The system of internal controls is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

**Risk Management**

A risk assessment has been undertaken which comprises:

- an annual review of the risks the charity may face;
- the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****2. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (continued)****Risk Management (continued)**

This work has identified that financial sustainability is the major financial risk for the Foundation. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the Foundation.

**STRATEGIC REPORT****3. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The Trustees confirm that the Foundation complies with the Code of Fundraising Practice and the Charity Commissions guide to Trustees on fundraising where relevant.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing Sofronie Foundation's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and providing help in the form of gifts or grants or any combination of these.

The Objects of the Foundation are to further such charitable purposes and to benefit such charitable institutions as the Trustees think fit. However, its main interest is to improve social mobility by tackling those young people disadvantaged by lack of opportunity. These programmes may include support for academic, vocational or non-formal interventions as well as others that offer preparation for education, training, skills development and/or work, particularly selecting digital programmes to enhance skills for future employment.

The Trustees reserve the right to support special projects that may assist young people by other routes and these are determined by the measure of social impact.

Sofronie Foundation currently funds programmes in the UK, France and the Netherlands.

In summary, the Foundation focuses on children and young people:

- who are struggling in school;
- who are at a severe disadvantage;
- who lack opportunity to improve their educational attainment,
- who have difficult and challenging family lives; or
- who are unemployed.

The Trustees have a number of powers which are detailed in the Memorandum of Association and which may be exercised in promoting the objects.

The Trustees must use the income and may use the capital of the Foundation in promoting the objectives.

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### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

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### 3. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT (continued)

#### Grant Making Policies

The Trustees approve grants to registered and non-registered charitable organisations. Grants are for a variety of costs, depending on requirements. These include specific projects but also core operating costs. The length of grant can be for one or more years. The Foundation will consider further funding after reviewing the progress report and evaluation.

The Trustees pay due care and attention to ensure that the work considered for funding delivers public benefit as per the Charity Commission's guidance.

During the year the Foundation funded sixteen charities (year to 31 December 2017: twenty five) of which three are educational institutions (year to 31 December 2017: four). Seven of these payments related to commitments made in the previous year (year to 31 December 2017: ten). Five of these charities were UK registered (year to 31 December 2017: six), all five (year to 31 December 2017: six) of the UK registered charities having their charitable activities in the UK and none (year to 31 December 2017: none) overseas.

### 4. HOW OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES DELIVERED PUBLIC BENEFIT: A REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Total grants paid in the year to 31 December 2018 amounted to £5,879,527 (year to 31 December 2017: £855,907). This includes £221,810 paid in respect of previous years' commitments (year to 31 December 2017: £362,861). During the year, new grants totalling £5,657,831 were approved and paid (year to 31 December 2017: £493,046). A further £131,176 of future commitments were provided for to be paid in future years (year to 31 December 2017: £286,449). In addition, there was a currency revaluation gain of £115 on overseas grants in the year to 31 December 2018 (year to 31 December 2017 loss of £5,862).

#### United Kingdom

##### Child.org

The Trustees made a one off payment of GBP 30,000 committed in 2017 to complete the funding programme of the Charity Apprentice platform. The platform delivered training and projects to increase funding support and employment development for new apprentices joining the programme. Sofronie Foundation has supported the growth of this charity for many years and is proud to be part of their expansion and development.

##### IntoUniversity

Continued support from the Trustees who agreed to fund and pay GBP 50,000 for the learning centre in Clacton-on-Sea. The centre provides 450 young people aged 7 to 18 years of age to provide educational support and preparation to progress to higher education, training or employment. The centre promotes digital learning and is affiliated to Anglia Ruskin University.

##### Kids Run Free

The Trustees agreed two year funding to run physical activity programmes to approximately 16 schools in the Clacton area, which have been identified by local government statistics as enrolling a high percentage of pupil premium students. The purpose of the programme is to improve physical fitness and awareness of a healthy lifestyle, with the philosophy that improving fitness will improve attendance and concentration for learning.

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#### 4. HOW OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES DELIVERED PUBLIC BENEFIT: A REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

##### **Portsmouth Sailing Training Trust**

Sofronie continues to support the training programme run by the charity, Portsmouth Sailing Training Trust to assist the young disadvantaged local population of Portsmouth with weekly training and sailing activities. Students are encouraged to gain sailing qualifications which has improved outcome potentials, either in the industry or in further education. A grant of GBP20,000 was awarded for their ongoing costs to expand the programme.

##### **Social Mobility Foundation**

Sofronie Foundation continues to support the work of the Manchester office. The Trustees agreed and paid a further GBP50,000 towards the operational costs. The mission of the localised office is to offer support for high achieving students from low income backgrounds access to work experience and university. The Aspiring Professional programme provides holistic support including professional mentoring, university application support, work placements and career/skills sessions. The mission is to increase the low percentages of disadvantaged and low income students entering the professions especially in the medical profession as Doctors or the legal profession as Barristers. Support continues throughout the student's crucial first year and into second and third years if they require.

#### **France**

##### **Académie Musicale Philippe Jaroussky (AMPJ)**

The Trustees agreed and paid a one-off grant of EUR60,000 to support the classical music programmes Mozart and Vivaldi, in the Hauts de Seine region of France. The programme is open to young beginners (7-14yrs) and talented young adults particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds. The Academy is located in the Seine Musicale (Île Seguin) and offers weekly tuition in violin, cello, piano and singing.

##### **Ecole de Production Boisard Vaulx-en-Velin - Lyon**

As part of a three year grant (EUR80,000) committed in 2017, the Trustees agreed to pay the second instalment of EUR10,000 towards the expansion of the apprentice programme to teach young students engineering skills and a focus on attracting 10 more students onto the course to attain their diplomas.

##### **Essec Foundation**

A contribution was made EUR40,000 towards the annual funding scholarship fees for 7 exceptional students who otherwise would not have been able to continue their study. As part of the eligibility criteria the group were chosen based on their background and study selection with a focus on encouraging more females onto the global BBA programme.

##### **Fondation d'Auteuil**

The last instalment of EUR41,076 was paid as part of a three year grant (EUR101,412) committed in previous years to provide teachers and students of Apprentis d'Auteuil and other school institutions with a Learning Resource Centre in new technologies. The scope of the project included 5 schools in the Aquitaine and Midi-Pyrénées region of France which involved 423 students. The project consisted of designing using 3D printing methods, computer programming, constructing and operating a drone.

##### **Article 1 (Formerly Fratelli)**

A one off restricted grant of EUR70,000 was agreed to fund two programmes, Tour de l'inspiration and Study Mentoring based in Lyon and the Aura regions of France. The expansion of the programme will reach 2,500 students and 100 mentors who will receive support and encouragement to reach their potential despite their backgrounds or hardships.



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#### 4. HOW OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES DELIVERED PUBLIC BENEFIT: A REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

##### **Rev'Elles**

The Trustees agreed and paid the second instalment of EUR 50,000, of a three year grant (EUR150,000) committed in 2017, for a new project based in Lyon France. This project gave 50 young girls access to weekly activities to encourage, inspire and motivate to improve their chances in education and work. The work in Lyon will expand to 100 young girls in 2019.

##### **ZupdeCo**

A one year restricted grant of EUR 110,000 was awarded by the Trustees to be paid out in three instalments. This funding provided the educational "Devoir Faire" tutoring and mentoring programme in disadvantaged areas of Vaulx-en-Velin France for 500 beneficiaries and 100 volunteers.

##### **Sport Dans La Ville/Apprenti'Bus**

The Trustees continue to support the Apprenti'Bus scheme which offers mobile educational activities to school children in year 5 and 6 in 13 neighbourhoods in the Lyon area of France. The bus visits designated sites throughout the week after school and on Saturday mornings. The programme runs from October to June and the further funding of EUR45,000 is committed to contribute to the management of the programme and running costs of the second bus.

#### **The Netherlands**

##### **Female Cancer Foundation**

The Trustees agreed the final instalment of EUR40,000 of a three year grant (EUR120,000) committed in 2016). This funding supports an innovative roll out of preventative treatment against cervical cancer in remote areas of Nepal. The charity has received further local support and now able to access other established medical outlets to operate their trained midwives in administering the procedure.

##### **Jinc**

The last instalment of EUR25,000 was paid this year from a previously agreed three year grant (EUR138,302) committed in 2016. A total of 2,800 young students based in and around Amsterdam area received work scheme activities a "Flash Internship" to experience a real work environment. Business volunteers contribute to the programme in introducing job descriptions and job responsibilities to school age students from a variety disciplines.

##### **Codam (previously named IO.org)**

The Foundation Stichting Codam is based in Amsterdam. The Trustees have pledged support for delivering computer programming skills learning through a progressive and innovative method of digital gamified challenges and peer to- peer collaboration. The curriculum is free and delivered over the course of three to five years through a franchise arrangement with Ecole 42 in Paris.

Currently the Sofronie Foundation is the primary funder and the Trustees have agreed and paid a further EUR6million during the set up phase to cover Capex and operational costs during the first year and ongoing operational costs for the foreseeable future.

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****5. FINANCIAL REVIEW****Incoming Resources**

Incoming resources totalled £2,203,267 for the year to 31 December 2018 (year to 31 December 2017: £2,234,284).

**Charitable activities**

Charitable activities include direct charitable expenditure during the year of £5,724,254 (year to 31 December 2017: £671,395). Commitments for future periods of £131,176 (year to 31 December 2017: £286,448) have been provided for within the financial statements. All grants made are in line with the Trustees' grant-making policy as prescribed under Section 3 of this report. A full list of the grants made during the year ended 31 December 2018 is shown on pages 18, 19, 20 and 21.

**Reserves Policy**

During this period donations paid out by the Foundation exceeded those received by the Trustees. The reserves accumulated in previous years were used to cover the net deficit for the year. The Trustees' continuing aim is to make arrangements to secure required funding to support the Foundation.

The Trustees have no outstanding commitments or cash demands which are not adequately covered by existing resources. The balance held as unrestricted funds as at 31 December 2018 was £1,149,931 (2017: £4,875,215). All the Foundation's reserves are regarded as free reserves. The Trustees consider that this level of free reserves is sufficient to continue its current activities until further donations can be secured.

**6. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE**

Sofronie Foundation laid out the plans last year to commit major funding to create a learning facility in the heart of Amsterdam, which would offer free computer coding programmes under a franchise (Ecole 42) for up to 600 students. During the second year a grant of EUR6m was paid for the design, refurbishment, equipment, facilities and initial staffing, in addition to the initial EUR 100,000 committed and paid in 2017. The aim is to provide digital skills and programming expertise to young adults 18 -30 years old to improve their employability opportunities, especially in an area of growth in the job market. The college opened to full time students in January 2019.

Further discussions and plans are underway to support a catering facility in Amsterdam providing affordable meals from surplus foods for the local community and free kitchen skills training for the unemployed.

**7. AUDITOR**

A resolution was passed at the Trustees' meeting, that Rawlinson & Hunter Audit LLP be re-appointed as auditor to the Foundation for the year to 31 December 2019.

In approving the Annual Report of the Trustees, the Trustees also approve the Strategic Report included therein, in their capacity as company directors.

**Approved by the Trustees on  
and signed on their behalf by**

***Ajay Soni 11 September 2019***

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR****TO THE MEMBERS OF****THE SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of The Sofronie Foundation ('the charitable company') for the year ended 31 December 2018 which comprise Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2018, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' (who are also the directors of the Charitable Company for the purpose of Company law) use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

**Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report of the Trustees, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**  
**TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE SOFRONIE FOUNDATION (continued)**

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Annual Report of the Trustees (incorporating the Strategic Report and Directors' Report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2 and 3, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR  
TO THE MEMBERS OF  
THE SOFRONIE FOUNDATION (continued)**

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Christopher Bliss (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
For and on behalf of

**Rawlinson & Hunter Audit LLP**  
Statutory Auditor and Chartered Accountants  
Eighth Floor  
6 New Street Square  
New Fetter Lane  
London  
EC4A 3AQ

Date: 12 September 2019

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

	Page	Unrestricted Funds 2018 £	Unrestricted Funds 2017 £
<b>INCOME FROM:</b>			
Donations and legacies (note 2)	18	2,202,600	2,234,250
Investment income		667	34
<b>Total income</b>		<u>2,203,267</u>	<u>2,234,284</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>			
Charitable activities (note 3)	18-19	5,926,162	880,774
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>5,926,162</u>	<u>880,774</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>		(3,722,895)	1,353,510
<b>OTHER RECOGNISED (LOSSES) AND GAINS</b>			
Realised (loss)/gain on foreign currency transactions		(2,389)	94,124
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	14	<u>(3,725,284)</u>	<u>1,447,634</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Total funds brought forward		<u>4,875,215</u>	<u>3,427,581</u>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>£1,149,931</u></u>	<u><u>£4,875,215</u></u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities.

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION  
(COMPANY NO. 06074877)**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**AT 31 DECEMBER 2018**

	Page	Unrestricted Funds 2018 £	Unrestricted Funds 2017 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS:</b>			
Tangible assets (Note 4)	19	-	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>			
Debtors (note 5)	20	10,159	19,470
Cash at bank (note 6)	14/20	1,442,085	5,297,110
<b>Total current assets</b>		<u>1,452,244</u>	<u>5,316,580</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year (note 7)	20	(302,313)	(376,727)
<b>Net assets less current liabilities</b>		1,149,931	4,939,853
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year (note 8)	20	-	(64,638)
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u>£1,149,931</u>	<u>£4,875,215</u>
<b>The funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>		<u>£1,149,931</u>	<u>£4,875,215</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board and were signed on its behalf by

**Ajay Soni**

Date: 11 September 2019

## SOFRONIE FOUNDATION

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Page	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
<b>Net movement in funds for the year</b>	12	(3,725,284)	1,447,634
<b>Adjustment for:</b>			
Depreciation charges		-	7
Decrease/(increase) in debtors		9,311	(4,562)
(Decrease) in creditors		(139,052)	(176,253)
Loss/(gains) on foreign exchange		2,389	(94,124)
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>		<u>(3,852,636)</u>	<u>1,172,702</u>
<b>(Decrease)/increase in cash for the year</b>		<u>£(3,852,636)</u>	<u>£1,172,702</u>
<b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>			
Net cash resources at 1 January 2018		5,297,110	4,030,284
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(3,852,636)	1,172,702
Foreign exchange movements		(2,389)	94,124
<b>Cash at 31 December 2018</b>	13	<u>£1,442,085</u>	<u>£5,297,110</u>
<b>Cash consists of:</b>			
Cash at bank	20	<u>£1,442,085</u>	<u>£5,297,110</u>



**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****General information**

The Sofronie Foundation (“the Foundation” or “the charitable company”) is a registered charity (charity number 1118621) limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales, whose principal object is to support charitable purposes in whatever manner the Trustees, in their absolute discretion, think fit. Its place of business is 16 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DH.

The Trustees’ overriding aim is to promote social mobility by improving educational disadvantages and by providing pathways out of poverty.

The policy of the Foundation is to provide sufficient finance to continue to fund its charitable activities.

In the event of the Foundation being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements.

The Foundation constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. 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) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

**Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements are presented in GBP which is the functional currency.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value with the following significant accounting policies applied.

These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

Tangible fixed assets are included at their cost value and depreciated using the straight line method over 5 years.

**Income recognition**

Voluntary donations and income from interest bearing deposit accounts are included when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Expenditure recognition**

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Trustees to the expenditure. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Support Costs - consists of advertising, marketing and direct mail materials, including publicity costs not associated with educational material designed wholly or mainly to further the charitable company's purposes. Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs and administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charitable company.
- Charitable activities comprise grants and donations made during the period and are expended through the Statement of Financial Activities when the offer is conveyed to the recipient.

**Status of funds**

The entire resources of the fund are unrestricted and the Trustees have complete discretion for their use in pursuance of its objectives.

**Foreign currency**

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are converted at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. All translation differences are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

**Pensions**

The Foundation contributes to a personal pension plan in respect of its employee. The expenditure charged in the financial statements represents contributions payable in respect of this scheme during the period.

**Taxation and irrecoverable VAT**

The Foundation is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

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

**Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year**

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

**SOFRONIE FOUNDATION****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant change in value.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

The provisions for multi-year grants are recognised at their present value where settlement is due over more than one year from the date of the award.

**Employee benefits**

When employees have rendered service to the charitable company, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

The charity operates a defined contribution plan for the benefit of its employees. Contributions are expensed as they become payable.

**Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The forecast income and reserves are sufficient to cover all of the budgeted expenditure to be able to continue as a going concern.

**Financial instruments**

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised initially at transaction cost and subsequently at amortised cost.

**Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees have to make judgements on how to apply the Foundation's accounting policies and make estimates about the future. The critical judgements that have been made at arriving at the amounts recognised in the financial statements, and key areas of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying value of assets and liabilities in the financial year, are discussed below.

The Trustees have assumed an estimated applicable discount rate of 3% per annum at 31 December 2017 to discount any future grants payable to the present value. A higher discount rate would result in a lower discounted liability value being presented as a liability. A lower discount rate would result in a higher discounted liability value being presented as a liability in these accounts. There were no long term liabilities which needed to be discounted to present value at the year end.

The unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in the Income Statement in the period it arises.

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	Page	2018 £	2017 £
<b>2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES</b>			
Donations receivable from Netherlands		2,192,500	2,220,250
Gift Aid relief		10,100	14,000
	12	<u>£ 2,202,600</u>	<u>£ 2,234,250</u>
<b>3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</b>			
	<b>Registered Charity No.</b>		
<b>Grants payable:</b>			
Stichting Codam		5,294,190	87,630
ZUPdeCO		97,538	28,253
Article 1 (formally Fratelli)		61,292	44,465
Academie Musical		-	17,180
Into University	1118525	50,000	25,000
Social Mobility Foundation	1115888	50,000	-
Sports Dan La Ville		39,659	39,888
ESSEC Foundation		35,152	33,814
Portsmouth Sail Training Trust	1153870	20,000	30,000
Kids Run Free	1146636	10,000	-
University College London		-	43,811
Rev'Elles		-	42,675
Ecole de Production Boisard Lyon		-	38,408
Cuisine Mode d'Emploi		-	34,360
Stichting Move Foundation		-	17,562
Inspiring Fifty		-	10,000
Total donations paid relating to 2018		<u>5,657,831</u>	<u>493,046</u>
<b>Add/(Less):</b>			
Donations paid relating to previous year commitments		221,811	362,861
Provision for commitments brought forward		(286,449)	(476,823)
Currency revaluation on overseas grants		(115)	5,863
Provision for future commitments due less than one year	20	131,176	221,810
Provision for commitments due in more than one year	21	-	64,638
<b>Total grants payable</b>		<u>5,724,254</u>	<u>671,395</u>
<b>Support Costs:</b>			
Staff salary		111,475	79,325
Employer's national insurance		31,088	15,685
Travel and subsistence expenses		14,302	14,176
Bank charges and custody fees		9,842	14,025
Staff bonus		8,715	5,000
Accountancy fees (governance costs)		7,620	5,868
Employee benefits		6,090	6,837
Audit fees (governance costs)		3,900	3,900
Staff pensions		3,833	3,690
Payroll expenses		1,785	1,337
Entertaining		1,608	1,256
Carried forward		<u>5,924,512</u>	<u>822,494</u>

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3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)	Page	2018 £	2017 £
Brought forward		5,924,512	822,494
Insurance (governance costs)		734	635
Consultancy		480	36,642
Postage & courier		424	16
Printing and stationery		12	146
Conference and training		-	585
Depreciation (note 4)	19	-	7
Legal Fees		-	20,249
<b>Total charitable activities</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>£5,926,162</b>	<b>£ 880,774</b>

Total average number of employees, excluding Trustees, was 2 (2017: 1). The Trustees were not paid any salaries during the year.

1 employee earned between £50,000 and £60,000 during the year (2017: 0) and 1 earned between £70,000 and £80,000 (2017: 0)

The Trustees and the Head of the Foundation constitute the key management of the Foundation.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSET	Page	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment at cost</b>			
Balance at 1 January and at 31 December		576	576
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
Balance at 1 January		576	569
Charge for the year	19	-	7
Balance at 31 December		576	576
<b>Net Book Value at 31 December 2018</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ -</b>
<b>Net Book Value at 31 December 2017</b>		<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 7</b>

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over a five year period using the straight line method. The fixed assets are still being used by the Foundation.

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	Page	2018 £	2017 £
<b>5. DEBTORS</b>			
HM Revenue & Customs Gift Aid		10,100	14,000
Prepaid office expenses		59	54
University of London - Donation refund		-	5,416
	13	<u>£10,159</u>	<u>£ 19,470</u>
<b>6. CASH AT BANK</b>			
Goldman Sachs Revenue Account		892,615	2,966,949
Goldman Sachs Income Account		1,715	1,715
		<u>894,330</u>	<u>2,968,664</u>
Barclays Bank Euro Current Account (€577,878)		518,704	2,247,508
Barclays Bank Current Account GBP		29,051	80,938
	13 & 14	<u>1,442,085</u>	<u>£5,297,110</u>
<b>7. CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year</b>			
Grants payable (note 9)	20	131,176	221,810
Other creditors - staff costs		85,279	81,152
Staff costs		61,800	59,792
Accountancy fees		15,792	8,172
Audit fees		7,800	3,900
Expense control account		426	233
Professional fees		40	1,668
	13	<u>£ 302,313</u>	<u>£ 376,727</u>
<b>8. CREDITORS - amounts falling due after more than one year</b>			
Grants payable (note 9)	13 & 21	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 64,638</u>
<b>9. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - GRANTS PAYABLE</b>			
At 31 December 2018, the following grants were committed to be paid in subsequent years:			
<b>Payable within one year (note 7):</b>			
Acadamie Musical		53,856	44,384
Rev'Elles		44,880	44,385
Ecole de Production Boisard Lyon		22,440	8,877
Kids Run Free		10,000	-
Child.org		-	30,000
Fondation d'Auteuil		-	36,463
Female Cancer Foundation		-	35,508
JINC NL		-	22,193
<b>Grants payable within one year (notes 3 &amp; 7)</b>	18 & 20	<u>£ 131,176</u>	<u>£ 221,810</u>

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9. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - GRANTS PAYABLE (continued)	Page	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Payable after one year (note 8):</b>			
Rev'Elles		-	43,092
Ecole de Production Boisard Lyon		-	21,546
<b>Grants payable after more than one year (notes 3 &amp; 8)</b>	18 & 20	£ -	£ 64,638

The long term creditors have been discounted to their present value.

## 10. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial Assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	£ 1,442,085	£ 5,297,110
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	£ 170,711	£ 154,684

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise cash at bank and in hand.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise other creditors and accruals.

## 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Corinne Goddijn-Vigreux has donated total funds of £2,192,500 (year to 31 December 2017: £2,220,250) to the charity in the year.

During the year there were staff and other office costs payable as recharges from Rinkelberg Capital Limited of £161,511 (year to 31 December 2017: £110,847) incurred by the charitable company.

As at the year end the charitable company owed Rinkelberg Capital Limited £147,079 (year to 31 December 2017: £140,944) in relation to staff costs.

Two Trustees of the Foundation, Harold Coenradus Albertus Goddijn and Corinne Daniele Goddijn-Vigreux are directors of Rinkelberg Capital Limited.

During the year, a donation of £5,294,190 (€6,000,000) (year to 31 December 2017: £87,630 (€100,000)) was made to Stichting Codam of Netherlands. Corinne Daniele Goddijn-Vigreux is a Trustee of that charity.

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**11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)**

No remuneration was received by the Trustees. Other key management personnel received remuneration of £78,908 (year to 31 December 2017: £76,859) during the year.

During the year to 31 December 2018 trustees were reimbursed for expenses incurred in pursuit of the charitable objectives in the amount totalling £147 (year to 31 December 2017: £3,339). The amount can be broken down as:

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel	147	2,514
Other	-	14
Accommodation	-	483
Subsistence	-	328
	<u>£ 147</u>	<u>£ 3,339</u>

**12. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

The Trustees consider that the charity is jointly controlled by the Trustees and that there is no ultimate controlling party.