

ISISA Treasurer's Report 2018-2021

ISISA 2021 conference: *Sharing Lessons, Sharing Stories*. St John's, Newfoundland 14-18 June 2021

(Last report: Islands of the World XVI, the Netherlands. June 10-14, 2018. This report is attached at the back of this report)

Dates covered by report: 11/05/18 – 07/05/21

	Current Account	Business Reserve Account	Paypal	Total
Brought Forward	576.48	14,331.59	698.94	15,607.01
Income				
Membership fees	633.98		4702.63	
Membership fees from Wadden islands conference	2071.48			
Interest		38.48		
Transfer from Business Reserve	6000			
Transfer from paypal		1948		
<i>Total income</i>				
Expenditure				
Transaction Fees			237.09	
Wadden scholarships	2702.85			
Charitable donation (St Vincent)	763.32			
Charitable donation (Kangaroo Island)	808.99			
Web services	555			
Website domain name purchase	39.12			
Phishing attack	3085.40			
Transfer to business reserve			1948	
Transfer to current account		6000		
<i>Total expenditure</i>	<i>7954.68</i>	<i>6000</i>	<i>2185.09</i>	
<i>Excess of expenditure</i>		<i>4013.52</i>		
<i>Excess of Income</i>	<i>750.78</i>		<i>2,517.54</i>	
Carried Forward	1327.26	10318.07	3,216.48	14861.81

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Treasurer, Orkney, 14/05/21

This report covers the period from the last Islands of the World Conference, held in the Netherlands in June 2018 until May 2021. Unusually this report therefore covers a three-year period, rather than the usual annual, or biannual reporting pattern. This is due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, and the rescheduling of the 2020 conference to 2021.

The main expenditures for this period were on scholarships for students to attend the conference in the Netherlands, and two charitable donations made by ISISA to Kangaroo Island, and to St Vincent (in respect of the disasters that hit these two communities during the reporting period). A further significant expenditure resulted from a phishing attack on ISISA. Unfortunately although a victim of fraud, ISISA was unable to recoup this loss due to insufficient protections in UK law against this kind of fraud.

Despite this loss, and the various other expenditures, over the last three years the organisation has received significant income from membership fees, totalling approximately £7,500.

Taking all these points into consideration my judgement is that the accounts continue to remain in a healthy position going forward into the next year.

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Acting Treasurer, Orkney, 14/05/21

ISISA Treasurer's Report 2017-18

Islands of the World XVI, Leeuwarden and Terschelling, the Netherlands. June 10-14, 2018.

(Last report: Islands of the World XV, Kangaroo Island, Australia. June 2017. This report is attached at the back of this report)

Dates covered by report: 24/06/17-11/05/18

	Current Account	Business Reserve Account	Paypal	Total
Brought Forward	73.95	15,727.38	922.29	16,723.62
Income				
Membership fees	321.79		1,236.40	
Interest		4.21		
Bank refund for incorrect transaction charges	26.05			
KI registration fees	1,146.28			
Ex-treasurer's mistake!	170.99			
Transfer from Business Reserve	2,800			
Transfer from paypal		1,400		
<i>Total income</i>	<i>4,465.11</i>	<i>1,404.21</i>	<i>1,236.40</i>	
Expenditure				
Transaction Fees			59.75	
KI scholarships	2,813.19			
Charitable donation	823.40			
Web services	155			
Ex treasurer's mistake!	170.99			
Transfer to business reserve			1,400.00	
Transfer to current account		2,800		
<i>Total expenditure</i>	<i>3,962.58</i>	<i>2,800</i>	<i>1459.75</i>	
<i>Excess of expenditure</i>		<i>1,395.79</i>	<i>223.35</i>	
<i>Excess of Income</i>	<i>502.53</i>			
Carried Forward	576.48	14,331.59	698.94	15,607.01

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Treasurer, Orkney, 01/06/18

This report covers the period from the last Islands of the World Conference, held in Kangaroo Island in July 2017. The previous report is appended to this current report to allow comparison over two years' of reports.

The two reports for 2016-17 and 2017-18 show remarkable consistency in average incomes and expenditures. In both years membership fees raised just over £1,200 for ISISA. The conferences covered in the accounts at Lesvos in 2016 and Kangaroo Island in 2017 both resulted in income from registration fees and expenditure in scholarships. The net expenditure for Lesvos was approximately £1,500 and for Kangaroo Island £1,200 (it should be noted that cost of one of the KI scholarships noted in the accounts for 2017-18 was funded through a donation received in 2016-17).

Overall our accounts show that the difference between income and expenditure in each year is negligible, with each year seeing slightly more expenditure than income (if the Kangaroo island donation that was received in 2016-17 is included with the other Kangaroo Island income and expenditure that was recorded in 2017-18).

However in 2017-18 we did make a charitable donation of approximately £800 to the Barbuda Recovery Fund administered by the International Community Fund in the wake of Hurricane Irma in September 2017. Taking this into account our finances show an overall decrease of £1,100 in the two-year period since May 2016.

A final point to note in the finances is that for the third year running a payment was incorrectly taken from our accounts which should have been taken from the personal account of the ex-Treasurer. This was promptly refunded by the ex-Treasurer. The ex- and current Treasurer have both sought to resolve this situation and have gained reassurances from all parties that this will not happen again in future years.

Taking all these points into consideration my judgement is that the accounts continue to remain in a healthy position going forward into the next year.

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Acting Treasurer, Orkney, 01/06/18

ISISA Treasurer's Report 2016-17

Islands of the World XV, Kangaroo Island, Australia

(Last report: Islands of the World XIV, Lesvos, Greece. May 2016; in GBP)

Dates covered by report: 12/05/16 – 23/06/17

	Current Account	Business Reserve Account	Paypal	Total
Brought Forward	1769.73	13,582.67	1359.92	16,712.32
Income				
Membership fees	11.17	140	1206.34	
Interest		4.71		
Donation for additional KI scholarship			440.00	
Refund by S. Royle	169.99			
Transfer from paypal		2000		
<i>Total income</i>	<i>181.16</i>	<i>2144.71</i>	<i>1646.34</i>	<i>3972.21</i>
Expenditure				
Transaction Fees			83.97	
Lesvos Conference Fees and Scholarships balance ¹	1,566.95			
Ex-Treasurer's mistake!	154.99			
Web services	155			
Transfer to Business reserve			2000	
<i>Total expenditure</i>	<i>1876.94</i>		<i>2083.97</i>	<i>3960.91</i>
<i>Excess of expenditure</i>	<i>1695.78</i>		<i>437.63</i>	
<i>Excess of Income</i>		<i>2144.71</i>		<i>11.30</i>
Carried Forward	73.95	15,727.38	922.29	16,723.62

Note that this report does not take into account the ISISA scholarships for Kangaroo Island, nor the membership fees to come from delegates.

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Acting Treasurer, Orkney, 26/06/17

¹ Conference fees and scholarships for the XIV Islands of the World Conference were handled together. Over the course of the conference €1548 was taken in membership fees, and €3500 paid in scholarships. Scholarships were paid by G. Baldacchino on behalf of ISISA. Conference fee takings were transferred directly to G. Baldacchino to partially cover the costs of these scholarships. The remainder (£1566.95) was paid out of the ISISA accounts directly to G. Baldacchino to cover the shortfall.

This report covers the period from the last Islands of the World Conference, held in Lesvos in May 2016 to the 23rd June 2017. I am sorry that I cannot be with you in person, but thank you very much to Steve for reading out this report. I also would like to thank Steve for all his work as Treasurer for ISISA, a post which he held until shortly after the conference in Lesvos, when I took over as acting Treasurer, and also for all his support during the first few months while I found my feet in the role.

This year has been a quiet year in terms of the accounts. In terms of key areas of income and expenditure, our key income this year has come from membership fees – where we took in approximately £1,200. After the Kangaroo Island conference I will be chasing lapsed members for renewals which will hopefully result in further income for the organisation. In terms of expenditure the key expense this year was the scholarships for the last Islands of the World Conference in Lesvos. Once the takings in fees had been deducted from the total cost of scholarships this led us to a shortfall of approximately £1,500. However, the giving of scholarships to allow PhD students support to access ISISA conferences remains a key priority for the organisation, and so expenditure in this area is to be expected. In terms of other points to note in the accounts, there is reference to a mistake by the ex-Treasurer, this relates to a personal payment which was accidentally taken from the ISISA accounts, but which has been repaid. In addition although overall the accounts are remarkably balanced from the beginning of the year to the end of the year, it is important to note that there was a £440 donation during this year for an additional scholarship for the current conference in Kangaroo Island, which has not yet been paid out from our accounts. Taking all these points into consideration my judgement is that the accounts remain in a healthy position going forward into the next year.

Rosie Alexander, ISISA Acting Treasurer, Orkney, 26/06/17