



**Financial Statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2013**  
  
**for**  
**Stichting FERN**

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**Stichting FERN**

**General Information  
for the year ended 31 December 2013**

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**AUDITOR'S REPORT  
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STICHTING FERN  
ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

We report to you on the performance of the contractual audit mission which has been entrusted to us. The aim of this mission is the financial audit of the "Financial Statements". This report contains our opinion on the true and fair view of the financial statements as well as the required additional information.

**Unqualified audit opinion on the financial statements**

We have audited the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013, prepared in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium (royal order of 19 of December 2003), which show a balance sheet total of EUR 7.300.852 and a profit for the year of EUR 7.969.

Management is responsible for the preparation and the fair presentation of these financial statements. This responsibility includes : designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the legal requirements and the Auditing Standards applicable in Belgium, as issued by the Institute of Registered Auditors (*Institut des Réviseurs d'Entreprises*). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, as to whether due to fraud or error.

In accordance with the above-mentioned auditing standards, we considered the company's administrative and accounting organisation, as well as its internal control procedures. We have obtained from management and the foundation's officials, the explanations and information necessary for executing our audit procedures. We have examined, on a test basis, the evidence supporting the amounts included in the financial statements. We have assessed the appropriateness

of accounting policies and the reasonableness of the significant accounting estimates made by the foundation as well as the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that these procedures provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013 give a true and fair view of the company's assets and liabilities, its financial position and the results of its operations in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium.

### **Additional information**

Our responsibility is to supplement our report with the following additional information, which does not modify our audit opinion on the financial statements:

- Without prejudice to formal aspects of minor importance, the accounting records were maintained in accordance with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium.

Brussels, 26 March 2014

ScivPRL « DGST & Partners réviseurs d'entreprises »  
External auditor represented by

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Martine PIRET  
Associated auditor

## Stichting FERN

### Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2013 (Euros)

Assets	2013	2012
<b>1. Subscribed capital unpaid</b>		
<b>2. Fixed assets (2.1+2.2+2.3)</b>	<b>10,240</b>	<b>7,890</b>
2.1 Intangible fixed assets	-	-
2.2 Tangible fixed assets	7,258	4,931
2.3 Financial assets	2,983	2,959
<b>3. Current assets (3.1+3.2.1+3.2.2+3.3+3.4+3.5)</b>	<b>7,290,612</b>	<b>3,618,883</b>
3.1 Stocks	-	-
3.2.1 Debtors due after one year	1,650,612	-
3.2.2 Debtors due within one year	3,439,128	3,087,914
3.3 Cash at bank and in hand	1,917,482	260,978
3.4 Other current assets	-	-
3.5 Accrued income / Deferred expenses	283,390	269,992
<b>Total assets (1+2+3)</b>	<b>7,300,853</b>	<b>3,626,773</b>
Liabilities	2013	2012
<b>4. Capital and reserves (4.1+4.2+4.3+4.4)</b>	<b>251,726</b>	<b>243,757</b>
4.1 Starting capital (restricted)	195,656	195,656
4.2 Reserves (restricted)	34,344	34,344
Subtotal restricted reserves	230,000	230,000
4.3 Reserves (non-restricted)	13,757	36,526
4.3 Profit/loss for current year	7,969	- 22,769
4.4 Investment grant	-	-
Subtotal non-restricted reserves	21,726	13,757
<b>5. Creditors (5.11+5.12+5.21+5.22)</b>	<b>7,049,126</b>	<b>3,383,017</b>
5.1.1 Long term non-bank debt	-	-
5.1.2 Long term bank debt	-	-
5.2.1 Short term non-bank debt	397,977	347,369
Payables within one year	335,569	302,179
Social security and salary	62,408	45,190
5.2.2 Accrued expenses / Deferred income	6,651,150	3,035,647
<b>Total liabilities (4+5)</b>	<b>7,300,852</b>	<b>3,626,773</b>
Profit and loss	2013	2012
6. Turnover		
7. Variation in stocks	-	-
8. Other operating income	1,628,319	1,823,306
Specific campaign funding	1,439,526	1,616,658
Core funding	105,344	173,540
Reimbursements	83,448	33,109
9. Costs of material and consumables	-	-
10. Other operating charges	964,750	1,139,093
Offices rent and charges	35,065	34,252
Computers, maintenance & website hosting	17,891	17,125
Post / telephone/ fax/ internet	11,310	13,625
Office supply	5,070	4,315
Printing and publications, incl translation	19,355	39,401
Documents, incl rent of photocopier	14,566	29,779
Miscellaneous (membership fees, legal public, gifts,...)	4,246	3,794
Staff cost advert	3,260	607
Agent moneys paid	114,341	93,002
Sub-contracting with partners organisations	448,132	516,500
Audit	12,544	9,688
Consultants	130,838	145,076
Travel/meetings	136,500	225,404
Training for staff	364	1,719
Office and staff insurance	10,558	4,089
Tax	711	718
11. Staff costs	625,721	707,514
<b>12. Gross operating profit (6.+7.+8.-9.-10.-11.)</b>	<b>37,848</b>	<b>-23,301</b>
13. Depreciation and value adjustments on non-financial assets	3,571	5,194
<b>14. Net operating profit (12.-13.)</b>	<b>34,277</b>	<b>-28,495</b>
15. Financial income and value adjustments on financial assets	21,184	15,532
16. Interest paid, bank charges and exchange rate losses	47,491	9,806
17. Similar charges	-	-
<b>18. Profit/loss on ordinary activities (14+15.-16.-17.)</b>	<b>7,969</b>	<b>- 22,769</b>
19. Extraordinary income and charges	-	-
20. Taxes on profit	-	-
<b>21. Profit/loss for the financial year (18.+19.-20.)</b>	<b>7,969</b>	<b>- 22,769</b>

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Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2013

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, as laid down by the International Accounting Standards Committee.

### Grants and Donations

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable. There are accounted on an accruals basis.

### Interest Receivable

Interest is included when receivable by the organisation.

### Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and is inclusive of VAT which cannot be recovered.

### Depreciation

Fixed Assets are written off over three years straight line for computers having a purchase value of at least €1,000 (excl VAT), and over five years for office furniture having a purchase value of more than €1,000 (excl VAT).

## 2. TAXATION

The organisation is non-profit making and registered in the Netherlands as a Stichting. It therefore only pays Corporation Tax on investment income and capital gains.

## 3. CURRENT ASSETS

	<u>2013 (€)</u>	<u>2012 (€)</u>
Trade debtors	57,280	385,888
Amounts receivable within one year (note 5)	3,381,848	2,702,026
Cash at bank and in hand	1,917,482	260,978
Accrued income (note 6)	-	-
Deferred expenses	283,390	269,992
	<u>5,640,000</u>	<u>3,618,883</u>

## 4. CREDITORS

	<u>2013 (€)</u>	<u>2012 (€)</u>
Deferred income (note 7)	6,643,050	3,032,692
Trade creditors and balances due to partners	335,569	302,179
Accrued expenses	8,100	2,956
Social security and salary debts	62,408	45,190
	<u>7,049,126</u>	<u>3,383,017</u>

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<b>5.</b>	<b>AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	<b><u>2013 (€)</u></b>
	<b>FROM DONORS</b>	
	Congo Basin Forest Fund, Tunisia	350,086
	Delegation of the European Commission in Ivory Coast	208,427
	Delegation of the European Commission in Liberia	455,909
	Delegation of the European Commission in Vietnam	570,827
	Department for International Development, United Kingdom	1,265,648
	Directorate General of the Environment, European Commission	45,861
	Ford Foundation, United States of America	297,969
	INTEGRAL, European Commission	30,900
	The Sigrid Rausing Trust, United Kingdom	156,222
		<hr/> <b>3,381,848</b> <hr/>
<b>6.</b>	<b>ACCRUED INCOME</b>	<b><u>2013 (€)</u></b>
	Credit interest for year 2013	<hr/> <b>-</b> <hr/>
<b>7.</b>	<b>DEFERRED INCOME</b>	<b><u>2013 (€)</u></b>
	Congo Basin Forest Fund, Tunisia	758,694
	Delegation of the European Commission in Ivory Coast	306,781
	Delegation of the European Commission in Liberia	1,872,252
	Delegation of the European Commission in Vietnam	1,738,486
	Department for International Development, United Kingdom	1,159,618
	Ford Foundation, United States of America	451,138
	INTEGRAL, European Commission	52,724
	The Sigrid Rausing Trust, United Kingdom	303,357
		<hr/> <b>6,643,050</b> <hr/>
<b>8.</b>	<b>RESERVES</b>	<b><u>2013 (€)</u></b>
	Starting capital brought forward at 31 December 2012	195,656
	Accumulated funds of the foundation brought forward at 31 December 2012	48,101
	Surplus for the financial year 2013	<b>7,969</b>
	Transfer to restricted reserves	-
	<b>Reserves carried forward at 31 December 2013</b>	<hr/> <b>251,726</b> <hr/>
	<b>APPROVED BY THE BOARD</b>	
	DATE: 30 March 2014	
	Elisa Peter, Chair                  Jacques Lauroi, Treasurer	

Stichting FERN, Income and Expenditure 2013, EURO																			
Budget lines	Total actual -v- budget			Core costs		European forests		European ECAs		Carbon and ecosystem trading		Forests and climate		Forests and climate Africa		Forest governance		Money laundering	
	Act -v- budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
INCOME																			
C S Mott Foundation	82%	39,765	48,339	-	-	-	-	18,607	40,848	21,158	7,491	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CBFF	13%	99,250	763,212	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99,250	763,212	-	-	-	-
DFID	90%	854,629	949,827	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	854,629	949,827	-	-
DG Environment LIFE+	85%	104,101	122,963	89,303	70,050	14,798	52,913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EC delegation in Vietnam		207	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	207	-	-
EC delegation in Liberia		150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	-	-
EC delegation in Ivory Coast		152	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	-
Ford Foundation	260%	235,862	90,779	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,779	235,862	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grundtvig	68%	5,114	7,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,114	7,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTEGRAL	567%	24,017	4,236	-	-	24,017	4,236	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Packard Foundation		-	53,906	-	-	-	53,906	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sigrid Rausing Trust	99%	160,085	162,500	1,244	-	-	-	158,842	162,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ulu Foundation	80%	21,540	27,022	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,540	27,022
Interest	32%	1,938	6,000	1,156	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	782	-	-	-	-	-
Reimbursement	244%	83,448	34,190	2,699	2,400	256	-	310	-	3,386	-	-	-	-	-	76,797	31,790	-	-
Unrealised exchange gains		19,246	-	19,246	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>1,649,503</b>	<b>2,270,475</b>	<b>113,648</b>	<b>78,450</b>	<b>39,070</b>	<b>111,055</b>	<b>177,758</b>	<b>203,348</b>	<b>24,544</b>	<b>98,270</b>	<b>240,976</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>100,031</b>	<b>763,212</b>	<b>931,935</b>	<b>981,617</b>	<b>21,540</b>	<b>27,022</b>
EXPENDITURE																			
Salaries, social security	85%	620,077	730,444	60,470	63,888	29,404	83,292	44,037	62,238	14,062	74,910	116,206	5,588	74,164	177,254	262,220	239,052	19,515	24,222
Partner payments	57%	564,191	984,000	-	-	-	5,000	114,341	131,250	-	-	-	-	-	325,000	449,850	522,750	-	-
Audit, consultants, subcontract	54%	143,382	265,292	6,905	5,488	451	19,600	8,665	-	500	-	70,490	-	1,806	142,217	54,564	97,988	-	-
Travel, meetings, training	77%	136,864	178,180	10,494	13,795	4,285	19,500	3,009	4,130	3,372	8,000	16,362	1,912	10,509	61,218	87,005	66,825	1,828	2,800
Office costs	155%	47,421	30,580	6,572	10,506	1,394	1,200	5,642	1,080	2,147	2,460	10,758	-	3,502	3,099	17,208	12,234	197	-
Printing, editing, translation	34%	33,921	98,650	3,084	-	157	11,400	741	3,750	4,005	12,000	17,973	-	1,833	45,500	6,129	26,000	-	-
Services	109%	35,065	32,120	2,743	12,848	1,759	-	-	-	20	-	6,134	-	7,620	6,424	16,789	12,848	-	-
Insurances	176%	10,558	6,000	2,182	1,120	1,619	400	635	400	-	400	2,423	-	198	1,360	3,500	2,320	-	-
Interest, finance, depreciation	121%	6,376	5,263	1,524	1,260	-	263	688	500	92	500	631	-	167	1,140	3,274	1,600	-	-
Taxes	142%	711	500	478	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	233	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised exchange losses		42,967	-	42,967	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>1,641,533</b>	<b>2,331,029</b>	<b>137,419</b>	<b>109,405</b>	<b>39,070</b>	<b>140,655</b>	<b>177,758</b>	<b>203,348</b>	<b>24,198</b>	<b>98,270</b>	<b>240,976</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>100,031</b>	<b>763,212</b>	<b>900,540</b>	<b>981,617</b>	<b>21,540</b>	<b>27,022</b>
EXPENDITURE -v- BUDGET %				<b>126%</b>		<b>28%</b>		<b>87%</b>		<b>25%</b>		<b>3213%</b>		<b>13%</b>		<b>92%</b>		<b>80%</b>	
<b>TOTAL SURPLUS (+) / DEFICIT (-)</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>7,969</b>	<b>- 60,555</b>	<b>- 23,772</b>	<b>- 30,955</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 29,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,395</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>



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**INCOME 2013 (€)**

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, United States of America	39,765
Congo Basin Forest Fund, Tunisia	99,250
Delegation of the European Commission in Ivory Coast	152
Delegation of the European Commission in Liberia	150
Delegation of the European Commission in Vietnam	207
Department for International Development, United Kingdom	854,629
Directorate General of the Environment, European Commission	104,101
Ford Foundation, United States of America	235,862
Grundtvig Partnerships, United Kingdom	5,114
INTEGRAL, European Commission	24,017
The Sigrid Rausing Trust, United Kingdom	160,085
Ulu Foundation, United States of America	21,540
<b>Donor income</b>	<b>1,544,871</b>
Reimbursements	83,448
Credit interest	1,938
Gain on exchange rate	19,246
<b>Other income</b>	<b>104,632</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b><u>1,649,503</u></b>