(a charitable company limited by guarantee)
Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2012

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# Charity details

### Status

Saint Catherine Foundation ('the Foundation') is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its memorandum and articles of association

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Charity number 1053138 Company number 3091163

### **Directors and Trustees**

The directors of the Foundation are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the directors

The directors of the company who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were

Clive Alderton (resigned 19 12 12) Prof Oriana Baddeley \* Dr Sebastian Brock Earleen Brunner \* Emmanuel Bussetil The Rt Revd Rtchard Chartres, Bishop of London Sir David Davies Dimitri Dondos (Chairman) \* Gillian Dondos Sir Ronald Grierson Dr Petros Koufopoulos Dorothy Latsis Prof Cyril Mango Prof Charles Méla Laila Moussa Dr Pericles Petalas (Treasurer) \* Dr Mikhail Piotrovsky Dr Demetri Porphyrios Anthony Rudkin James Screech \*

HRH Crown Princess Katherine of Serbia

Jennifer Stone

John Studzinski

Dr Eugenie Vafopoulou Richardson

The directors have agreed that those directors marked \* have delegated responsibility on behalf of the board for approval of these financial statements

Solicitors

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# Company Secretary

James Screech

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# Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2012

# Objects

The object of the charity, Saint Catherine Foundation, is the promotion for the benefit of the public of research into and study of the manuscripts of the library of the Monastery of St Catherine in the Sinai ('the Monastery') and to publish the useful results of such research

Saint Catherine Foundation is dedicated to the preservation of the Monastery of Saint Catherine, its ancient manuscripts, icons and monastic traditions

Saint Catherine Foundation is committed to the advancement of public education in the history of the Monastery, its architecture, icons and manuscripts and other treasures

# Public benefit

The trustees have had regard to Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011

### Organisation

During the year the Foundation employed two part time members of staff. Audit and accounting services have been donated free of charge by a number of professional firms.

Major decisions are made at Board level. General organisation and day to day decision making is effected by selected directors with delegated responsibility and the Company Secretary.

## Related parties

The Foundation considers EFG European Financial Group SA and it subsidiaries to be a related party as defined by the Charities' SORP Details of transactions with these parties are set out in notes 2, 5 and 9

# Review of activities

During the year under review, the Saint Catherine Foundation has continued to fund the Saint Catherine's Library Conservation Project, a long-term programme of conservation. The project has been developed in co-operation with the Ligatus Research Unit at the University of the Arts London and is led by the conservation expert Professor Nicholas Pickwoad. The major task of re-housing and conserving the monastery's library collection is underway.

The Foundation is raising funds for the South Wing Project to renovate the library building

In 2012 the Foundation published its annual bulletin, Sinaiticus, and produced charity Christmas cards in aid of the conservation work at the library of Saint Catherine's

# Review of transactions and financial position

During the year, funding of £58,168 was received through memberships, donations and sales of Christmas cards and publications £2,278 was received as interest on cash held. Resources expended, including direct charitable expenditure of £10,000, totalled £88,176. This resulted in unrestricted outgoing resources carried forward to the following year of £36,271.

# Ongoing commitments

The Foundation has an ongoing commitment to give £10,000 per annum to the Ligatus Research Unit, University of the Arts

# Investment powers

Under the memorandum and articles of association, the Foundation has the power to make any investment which the directors see fit

# Directors' report (continued)

### Reserves policy

Reserves are being held in order to accumulate the required funding for the work required on future projects relating to the Monastery, including the book conservation and library project

In the medium-term the current reserves are considered by the directors to be sufficient for their immediate purposes

The directors are, however, currently targeting an unrestricted reserves fund sufficient to fund ongoing and future projects relating to the Monastery. They are doing this using an ongoing programme of fundraising. This policy is reviewed on an annual basis.

#### Risk review

The directors have conducted their own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks

Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the Foundation

# Other matters

As at 31 December 2012 cash funds of the Foundation are principally held in high interest deposit accounts

### Supporters

Saint Catherine Foundation gratefully acknowledges support from many individuals and organisations by way of encouragement, donated goods or services and direct funding. Without this support Saint Catherine Foundation would not exist

# Plans for future development

There will be an expansion of activities for members, including lectures, educational visits and organised trips

# Guarantors

The liability of each member of Saint Catherine Foundation, in the event of winding up, is limited by guarantee to £10

# Funds avadable

For the funds set out on page 7, the directors confirm that the Foundation's assets are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations

### Directors' report (continued)

# Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Saint Catherine Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Directors' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the directors 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 that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material deaprtures 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 business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper 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.

In so far as the directors are aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors 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

The directors 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.

# Independent Auditors

A resolution to reappoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors to the Foundation will be proposed at the annual general meeting

Approved by the directors and signed by their order by

James Screen
Company Secretary

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Saint Catherine Foundation

We have audited the financial statements of Saint Catherine Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement, 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

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

# Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

### Opinion on financial statements

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 2012, 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

# Opinion on matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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 trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or

- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime

Jevery Fostor (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

London

30 September 2013

Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure account) for the year ended 31 December 2012

Notes	Year ended 31 12 12 £	Year ended 31 12 11 £
Incoming resources from Generated Funds		
Voluntary income 2 Activities for generating funds Investment income Other incoming resources  Total incoming resources	50,117 8,051 2,278 (8,541)	47,788 8,075 1,152 2,222 59,237
Resources expended Cost of generating funds		
Management and administration Costs of generating voluntary income	55,442 8,234	65,723 14,585
Charitable expenditure 3 Governance costs 5	10,000 14,500	12,745 14,500
Iotal resources expended	88,176	107,553
Net movement in funds	(36,271)	(48,316)
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2012	438,972	487,288
Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2012	402,701	438,972

The financial activities above relate wholly to the continuing activities of Saint Catherine Foundation

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those shown above and therefore no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

There is no difference between the net resources for the year stated above, and the historical cost equivalent

Charity Balance Sheet - 31 December 2012

		31 12 12	31 12 11
Notes	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	6	-	-
Current assets			
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	7	3,781 434,630	6,282 452,067
Iotal current assets		438,411	458,349
Creditors amounts falling due			
within one year	8	(35,710)	(19,377)
Total assets less current liabilities		402,701	438,972
The funds of the charity		402,701	438,972
Unrestricted income funds		402,701	438 972
Total charity funds		402,701	438 972

The financial statements on pages 6 to 11 were approved by the directors on 24 September and were signed on their behalf by

Oriana Baddeley Director and Trustee

Notes to the financial statements - for the year ended 31 December 2012

### 1 Principal accounting policies

# Accounting conventions

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) issued February 2005, applicable accounting standards and the Companies Act 2006

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, on a going concern basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The accounting policies were consistently applied.

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows

### Incoming resources

Income from activities for fundraising are accounted for in the period of receipt when entitlement has been agreed. Investment income is accounted for in the period to which it relates and accrues for as such. All income, is shown gross of related expenditure.

### Donated services

Donated services for the charity's own use are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as both income and expenditure at a reasonable estimate of their value, in the period in which they are received

# Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of resources.

Management and administration costs represent personell costs and other costs associated with the running of the Foundation

The costs of generating finds (fundraising costs) include the salaries and overhead costs of the staff who undertake fundraising activities and the marketing and publicity costs associated with raising the profile of the Foundation

Costs of direct charitable activity are included within direct charitable expenditure and are those costs arising directly from the delivery of the Foundation's objectives

Governance costs, in compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, include audit costs, relevant legal expenses and the costs of staff whose function is the administrative support of the trustees. Where these are donated services they are recognised as a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity and an estimate of what the charity would pay in the open market for these services.

# Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds comprise of monies which may be used towards meeting the charitable objectives of the charity at the discretion of the directors

# Taxation

As a registered charity, the Foundation is not liable for income tax or corporation tax on income derived from its charitable activities, as it falls within the various exemptions available to registered charities

Notes to the financial statements - for the year ended 31 December 2012

# 1 Principal accounting policies (continued)

# Fixed assets

Fixed assets are capitalised in the balance sheet at cost, except for items costing less than £500 that are expensed in the year of purchase Depreciation of office equipment is calculated at 25% so as to write off the cost of the tangible assets, less their estimated residual values, on a straight line basis over the estimated useful economic lives of the assets concerned

# Cash flow statement

Saint Catherine Foundation qualifies as a small company and as a consequence, it is exempt from the requirement to publish a cash flow statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cashflow Statement' (revised)

# 2 Voluntary income

	2012 £	2011 £
Membership and donations Donated services	32,286 17,831	22,088 25,700
	50,117	47,788

Donated services include printing costs, accounting services and administration assistance totalling £12,831 from a related party (see Note 9), and audit services (amounting to £5,000) provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP free of charge

Corresponding amounts are included within 'Costs of generating voluntary income' for the Christmas card printing costs and within 'Governance costs' for accounting and administration costs, and audit services

# 3 Charitable activities

	2012 £	2011 £
Ligatus Research Unit, University of the Arts Ligatus Saint Catherine's Library Conservation Project	10,000	10,000 2,745
	10,000	12,745

Direct charitable expenditure was covered by unrestricted funds

34,046

6,282

3,781

Notes to the financial statements - for the year ended 31 December 2012

# 4 Staff costs and directors' remuneration

Two part time members of staff were employed by the Foundation during the year administration' line in the Statement of Financial Activities	The costs of this are included in the Management and	
	2012 £	2011 £
Salaries Social Security costs	31,565 3,265	31,452 2,594

Neither the directors nor any related parties received any remuneration in respect of their services to the chanty during the year

# 5 Governance costs

Relates to donated services provided by related party staff of £9,500 and external auditors of £ 5,000

6 Tangible fixed assets		Office Equipment and Total
		£
Cost as at 01 01 2012 Additions		7,893
Disposals As at 31 12 12		7,893
Accumulated Depreciation as at 01 012012 Amount provided		7,893
Disposals As at 31 12 12		7,893
Net Book Value As at 31 12 12		
As at 31 12 11		
All of the assets above are used for charitable purposes		
7 Debtors		
	2012	2011
	£	£
Accrued income Prepayments	1,684 2,097	4,223 2,059

Notes to the financial statements - for the year ended 31 December 2012

# 8 Creditors amount falling due within one year

	2012	2011
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income Taxation and Social Security Other creditors	33,061 824 1,825	18,388 989
	35,710	19,377

# 9 Related party transactions

During the year some of the directors contributed funds as donations which have been recognised in the statement of financial activities

Incoming resources includes proceeds from the sale of Christmas cards, the production costs of which, amounting to £3,331, were met by the related party

Three of the directors of Saint Catherine Foundation are also directors of the related party