

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03398543 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1063835**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015  
FOR**

**FOUNDATION FOR AL-QUDS UNIVERSITY  
MEDICAL SCHOOL**

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2015. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

03398543 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1063835

**Registered office**

47 Eden Park Avenue  
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**Trustees**

Dr M Bustami  
Dr F Haddad  
Dr A Massoud  
T Leonard  
Dr L Nashef  
S Shehadeh  
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A A Wolton

**Company Secretary**

**Independent examiner**

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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The Foundation for Al-Quds University Medical School (FQMS) was incorporated on 3 July 1997 as a company limited by guarantee No 3398543. FQMS received registration of its charitable status from the Charity Commissioners on 7 August 1997 with the registered charity number 1063835. The principal charitable objects of FQMS are the advancement of education in the public field of medicine and in particular for the advancement of all aspects of the work of the Medical School at Al-Quds University. At the time of formation this was the only Palestinian medical school: the charity has since extended its work to support medical schools in Gaza and Nablus. In recognition, it adopted a working name in addition to FQMS: The Al-Quds Foundation for Medical Schools in Palestine.

This report covers the period between January 1 and December 31 2015.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The seventeenth AGM of the Foundation, held on Thursday 19th November 2015, was kindly hosted by Dr Jeanne Frossard in Maida Vale, London. The following trustees retired by rotation and were re-appointed: Dr Ahmed Massoud, Dr Khaled Dawas (Vice Chair) and Mr Adam Wolton. Dr Awwad Awwad was elected as a new trustee in 2015. As provided by the articles of association, the remaining trustees continued to hold office, one third retiring in rotation at successive AGMs. The remaining trustees for the period were Dr Mahmud Bustami, Dr Rawya Charif, Dr Fuad Haddad, Mr Anthony Leonard (treasurer), Dr Lina Nashef (chair), and Mr Said Shehadeh. Miss Rita Leonard continued to act as secretary and Dr Jeanne Frossard as officer for student affairs. In addition to the AGM, formal meetings of the trustees in the year 2015 were held on February 7, April 6, August 9 and October 11. In between formal meetings, trustees conducted the business of the charity with regular email contact, at least monthly.

FQMS activities included support for undergraduates and postgraduate training. These include the following:

FQMS continued to support external teachers and examiners, external student elective placements (for senior medical students from the West Bank and Gaza) this time in collaboration with Medical Aid for Palestinians, expanded temporary student accommodation during clinical placements (al Quds University), support for attending conferences, faculty development (IUG, Gaza), bursaries for students based on merit and need (West Bank and Gaza), administration of five Madrinha Trust Scholarships facilitated by FQMS (3 Al Quds, 2 IUG) with two new scholars selected, final support for the pharmacology animation teaching project (IUG) and support for our affiliate OxPal on their field trip to Palestine in April 2015.

FQMS support for postgraduate trainees continued. Our pathology trainee, the only postgraduate trainee outside the UK, transferred from Egypt to Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid in early 2015 to enhance her training. Our expectation is that she would complete her training and return to Palestine in 2017. Our FQMS funded trainees in adult and paediatric cardiology (Glasgow) returned to Palestine. Our FQMS funded nephrology trainee, after 3 years of support with FQMS, took up an NHS training number to further enhance her training. FQMS expects her to honour her commitments in due course. Other trainees through our FQMS/Juzoor partnership, funded by the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development continued their training as follows: a) orthopaedic surgeon upgrading training and subspecialising in knee surgery (London, 2014 & 2015), b) general surgeon training in laparoscopic general surgery (Southampton, 2014/15/16), paediatrician specialising in paediatric cardiology (Southampton 2015), and obstetrician and gynaecologist specialising in oncological surgery (due 2016). We are very grateful to the Arab Fund for approving phase 2 of this FQMS/Juzoor project to start in 2016. This will allow for the selection and placement of 4 more trainees. The previously supported neurosurgical trainees continue in NHS/Deanery funded training posts in Cardiff and Southampton. Of two previously supported postgraduate neurology trainees who returned to Palestine in 2012, one continues to provide an excellent clinical service in Gaza. The other neurologist, after some 3.5 years in the West Bank making his mark as both a clinician and educator as Assistant Dean in the medical school at Al Quds University, was obliged to move to Jordan in the autumn of 2015 as his family's long standing application for a visa was not approved. He will continue to fulfil his commitments and provide support to the Al Quds University students during placements in Jordan and carry out intermittent but regular clinics in the West Bank.

Since April 2014, FQMS has continued with remunerated administrative support. FQMS trustees are grateful to their colleague Dr Jeanne Frossard for being the FQMS lead on student affairs. We are particularly grateful to the students' host institutions and supervisors and to all who helped in their reception and placement. We are also very grateful to our partner the Madrinha Trust for funding scholarships and mentoring deserving medical students in both Gaza and the West Bank. FQMS congratulates the deans and all their colleagues and students for continuing progress in the face of immense difficulties.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Our annual fundraising dinner was successfully held in March 2015 with Dr Khaled Dawas, FQMS Vice-Chair as MC. We were delighted to welcome Mr Layth Hanbali playing the piano, Mr Saied Silbak playing the Oud and singing Arabic songs 'min al turath' and Maya Yousef playing the Qanoon. We were also delighted to welcome Mr Abdel Bari Atwan, newspaper editor, political commentator and author as keynote speaker. Mrs Zina Jardaneh Abdel Majid presented our third Major Benefactor Award to Mrs Sawsan Asfari, ex-trustee and FQMS supporter. Dr Swee Ang and Dr Ahmed Massoud inspired those present to pledge support. A special vote of thanks was extended to Mrs Ghada Hammad, long standing FQMS supporter, and doyen of the Palestinian community in London.

For the preparation of the accounts which form part of this report, FQMS is especially grateful to our treasurer, Mr Tony Leonard, who prepared the records, with support from our secretary, Miss Rita Leonard, to whom we are immensely grateful for his help despite illness. We are also grateful to our auditors Messrs C P O'Donnell & Co.

Many supporters, not specifically mentioned, have made extremely generous donations to the charity as well as giving of their time and skills. The trustees are very grateful for all their support and encouragement without which none of the charity's work will be possible. We remain committed to the development of FQMS in expertise and service towards the fulfilment of its objective of furthering medical education. In continuing to support medical education for Palestine, FQMS helps lay the foundations for a better future.

Lina Nashef, FQMS Chair.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ..... and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
Dr L Nashef - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
FOUNDATION FOR AL-QUDS UNIVERSITY  
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I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2015 set out on pages five to ten.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: .....

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Notes	31.12.15 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.14 Total funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>			
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>			
Voluntary income		117,080	130,098
Investment income	2	1,695	3,467
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		118,775	133,565
 <b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>			
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>			
Costs of generating voluntary income		4,818	3,718
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Tuition support for medical students.		136,822	219,686
<b>Governance costs</b>		1,340	780
<b>Other resources expended</b>		277	278
<b>Total resources expended</b>		143,257	224,462
 <b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>			
		(24,482)	(90,897)
 <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		440,919	531,816
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		416,437	440,919

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Notes	£	31.12.15 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.14 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Tangible assets	5		554	831
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	6		9,621	12,757
Cash at bank			411,734	454,325
			<u>421,355</u>	<u>467,082</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>				
Amounts falling due within one year	7		(5,472)	(26,994)
			<u>415,883</u>	<u>440,088</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
			<u>416,437</u>	<u>440,919</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
			<u>416,437</u>	<u>440,919</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>				
			<u>416,437</u>	<u>440,919</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>				
Unrestricted funds	8		416,437	440,919
			<u>416,437</u>	<u>440,919</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				
			<u>416,437</u>	<u>440,919</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

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The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2015.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on ..... and were signed on its behalf by:

.....  
Dr L Nashef -Trustee

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

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

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	31.12.15	31.12.14
	£	£
Interest received	1,695	3,467
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**3. NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES**

Net resources are stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.15	31.12.14
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	277	278
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

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**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2015 nor for the year ended 31 December 2014 .

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2015 nor for the year ended 31 December 2014 .

**5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Plant and machinery etc £
<b>COST</b>	
At 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015	1,109
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<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	
At 1 January 2015	278
Charge for year	277
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At 31 December 2015	555
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<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 December 2015	554
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At 31 December 2014	831
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**6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.15	31.12.14
	£	£
Other debtors	9,621	12,757
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**7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.15	31.12.14
	£	£
Other creditors	5,472	26,994
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**8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.15	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.15
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	440,919	(24,482)	416,437
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	440,919	(24,482)	416,437
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**8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	118,775	(143,257)	(24,482)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>118,775</u>	<u>(143,257)</u>	<u>(24,482)</u>

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	31.12.15 £	31.12.14 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
<b>Voluntary income</b>		
Donations	117,080	130,098
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest received	1,695	3,467
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	118,775	133,565
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
<b>Costs of generating voluntary income</b>		
Admin expenses	6,854	2,635
Bank charges	26	129
Exchange rate difference	(2,062)	954
	4,818	3,718
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Support costs for students	136,822	219,686
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy	1,340	780
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Computer equipment	277	278
<b>Total resources expended</b>	143,257	224,462
<b>Net expenditure</b>	(24,482)	(90,897)

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements