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1. INTRODUCTION



The European Crystallographic Association, hereinafter referred to as ECA, is a scientific association having as objectives the advancement of crystallography in all its aspects, and to promote cooperation in crystallography between the countries of Europe, Africa and the Middle East. ECA is one of the five regional affiliates of the International Union of Crystallography (IUCr). Our sister affiliates are the American Crystallographic Association (ACA), the Latin American Crystallographic Association (LACA), the Asian Crystallographic Association (AsCA) and the African Crystallographic Association (AfCA).

Crystallographic Organizations from countries within the ECA geographic area can affiliate as ECA National Members. Individual and Corporate memberships are also admitted.

The activity of the different crystallography-based scientific fields is organized and coordinated by groups of Individual Members called Special Interest Groups (SIGs, <https://ecanews.org/groups/>):

- SIG-01 Macromolecular Crystallography
- SIG-02 Quantum Crystallography
- SIG-03 Aperiodic Crystals
- SIG-04 Electron Crystallography
- SIG-05 Mineral and Inorganic Crystallography
- SIG-06 Instrumentation and Experimental Techniques
- SIG-07 Molecular Interaction and Recognition
- SIG-08 Powder Diffraction
- SIG-09 Crystallographic Computing
- SIG-11 Crystallography under Extreme Conditions
- SIG-12 Crystallography of Functional Materials
- SIG-13 Molecular Structure and Chemical Properties
- SIG-14 Dynamics, Disorder, Diffuse scattering (D3)
- SIG-15 Crystallography in Art and Cultural Heritage
- SIG-16 Magnetic Crystallography

General Interest Groups (GIGs, <https://ecanews.org/groups/>) handle cross-disciplinary interests:

- GIG-01 Young Crystallographers
- GIG-02 Senior Crystallographers
- GIG-03 Education in Crystallography

The activities of the ECA include:

- to organize meetings and conferences on subjects falling within the purview of the Association;
- to set up committees or other bodies for special purposes;
- to initiate, promote and coordinate crystallographic research requiring European cooperation;
- to organize special projects which shall be financed independently of the regular operations of the Association, and
- to participate in joint committees with other associations or other scientific bodies in matters of interest to the Association.

1. INTRODUCTION



The accounting period always covers 12 months, from April until March of the following year, according to the article 3 of the ECA statutes (<https://ecanews.org/about-eca/statutes-and-by-laws/#section03>).

The present financial report covers the period from April 1st, 2025 to March 31st, 2026. An overview of the events which have benefited from ECA financial support in this reporting period is found in chapter 5.

For its income, ECA is completely dependent on memberships and donations from natural persons, institutions and companies. This income is entirely used to organize the above-mentioned activities.

The Executive Committee of ECA is unpaid and its members do not receive expense allowances for their efforts.

Management:

As *per* March 2026 the Executive Committee consists of the following natural persons:

President:	Arie van der Lee, <i>France</i>
Vice-President:	Jan Dohnálek, <i>Czech Republic</i>
Past-President:	Marijana Đaković, <i>Croatia</i>
Secretary:	Andrew Maloney, <i>United Kingdom</i>
Treasurer:	Antonia Neels, <i>Switzerland</i>
Education Coordinator:	Maria José Sanchez Barrena, <i>Spain</i>
Officer (SIGs, GIGs, IMs):	Chiara Massera, <i>Italy</i>
Officer (National Members):	Katarzyna Jarzemska, <i>Poland</i>
Officer (Grants):	Kludia Hradil, <i>Austria</i>
Officer (Webmaster):	Andrea Ienco, <i>Italy</i>

2. BALANCE



	Balance in €	
	01.04.2025	31.03.2026
ASSETS		
ABN AMRO Giro account	80'692.80	47'679.05
ABN AMRO Savings account (1)	31'398.10	31'816.58
ABN AMRO Savings account (2)	95'194.67	96'463.49
ABN AMRO SIG-9 account	7'459.74	0
PAYPAL account	1'599.35	1'732.80
TOTAL ACTIVA	216'344.66	177'691.92
LIABILITIES and EQUITIES		
Equities	0.00	0.00
Amounts paid in arrears	0.00	0.00
Items still to be paid	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PASSIVA	0.00	0.00

3. INCOME STATEMENT



	Balance in €	
	1.04.2024- 31.03.2025	1.04.2025 - 31.03.2026
INCOME		
Individual Memberships (paid to ABN AMRO)	36.00	225.00
Individual Memberships (paid to PAYPAL)	4'230.00	7'085.00
National Memberships (member countries)	4'185.00	4'125.00
Corporate Affiliate Memberships (companies)	5'240.00	6'550.00
Women in Crystallography donations (PAYPAL)	3'013.00	3'544.74
Sheldrick prize (paid from Uni Göttingen)	0.00	3000.00
Koele legal support: final back payment	1'767.60	0.00
Transfer from 'Freunde Darmstadt' ECA account to ABN Amro	95'000.00	0.00
Other donations (ECM33, Sheldrick prize); in 2025: from the Italian Crystallographic Association	25'663.73	2'500.00
ABN AMRO (all) accounts interest	769.99	1'752.16
TOTAL INCOM	<u>139'905.32</u>	<u>28'781.90</u>
EXPENSES		
ECA support – conferences	-7'900.31	-17'750.00
ECA support – ECS schools (Macedonia, Sweden)	0	-10'000.00
ECA support – Scholarship award	0	-10'970.00
ECA support – travel grants	-3'600.00	-7'871.64
Prizes: Perutz, Bertaut, Sheldrick, Ludovico	-10'405.00	-8'000.00
Women in Crystallography (WiC) support	-3'558.00	-4'114.00
ECA Executive Committee expenses	-610.00	-609.65
ECA fees: Leaflets	-290.00	-488.29
ECA fees: Web charges	-1030.71	-974.69
RSC grant (GIG3): Inclusion & Diversity	0.00	-5'758.64
ABN AMRO bank charges	-368.25	-401.44
PayPal charges	-359.29	-496.29
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>-28'205.66</u>	<u>-67'434.64</u>
RESULT OF THE ACCOUNTING PERIOD (income – expenses)	111'699.66	-38'652.74

4. EXPLANATION

BALANCE:

The balance of the accounts of ABN AMRO (Savings and Giro) and ECA PAYPAL on April 1st, 2025 was € 216'344.66 and has decreased to € 177'691.92 until March 31st, 2026 (defined financial accounting period).

The financial period finished with a decreased overall budget. This was expected related to the establishment of the scholarship and the increased budget for the support of conferences and especially also the ECS to € 5'000. In addition, the travel support of young crystallographers was increased to 450 per applicant. The scholarship has been awarded in 2026 to two talented young crystallographers, Giovanna Barrionuevo Martins and Sebastian Friedl, by substantially financing their stay abroad with a total amount of € 10'970.

A financial support has been received from the Italian Crystallographic Association. The initiative 'Women in Crystallography' was very successful during the ECM Congress in 2025 in Poznan, PL, and supported talented women in turn for travelling to crystallographic conferences. 7 talented women in crystallography were awarded. In 2025, the 'Sheldrick Prize' was awarded for the support of a brilliant crystallographer. Here, € 3'000 have been donated from the University of Göttingen to ECA, who composed the election committee and awarded the Prize at the ECM35 in Poznan, Poland. The 'Perutz', 'Bertaut' and 'Lodovico' prizes have also been awarded at ECM35.

ECA supported substantially a number of crystallographic conferences and schools (see the list below), and additionally also young scientists for travelling to the ECM35. This time, 12 young talented crystallographers were supported with travel grants.

INCOME STATEMENT:

During this financial report period (April 1st, 2025, to March 31st, 2026), membership fees have been received from 183 individual (1 year or 5 years memberships), 29 national (<https://ecanews.org/about-eca/membership/national-members>), and 18 corporate members (<https://ecanews.org/about-eca/membership/corporate-affiliate-members>).

5. OVERVIEW OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS:

Below is an overview of the conferences and meeting activities economically supported by ECA.

5.1. Conferences and schools financed and taking place in the financing period ([reports available](#)):

Conference / School	Place	Date	ECA support (€)
1 Fourth International School on Porous Materials - MOFschool2025	Como, Italy	16 th June – 20 th June 2025	1'000
2 10 th European Crystallography School, ECS10	Ohrid, Macedonia	22 nd June – 29 th June 2025	5'000
3 27 th Heart of Europe Bio-Crystallography Meeting (HEC27)	K6 Seminarhotel, Halberstadt, Germany	25 th September– 27 th September 2025	2'000
4 3 rd CECAM Discussion Meeting on Quantum Crystallography	Lausanne, Switzerland	11 th February – 13 th February 2026	750
5 Winter School on Electron Crystallography	Jülich Germany	2 nd March – 6 th March 2026	1'000

5.2. Conferences and schools financed prior to this financing period (April 2024 – March 2025) but taking place within this financing period (April 2025 – March 2026):

Conference / School	Place	Date	ECA support (€)
1 61st ERICE School - Quantum Crystallography	Ettore Majorana Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture, Erice, Italy	30 May – 7 June 2025	1'300
2 60th ERICE School - Electron Crystallography	Ettore Majorana Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture, Erice, Italy	30 May – 7 June 2025	1'300
3 20 th BCA/CCG Intensive Teaching School in X-ray Structure Analysis	University Durham, UK	29 th March – 5 th April 2025	2'000

5. OVERVIEW OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS:

5.3. Conferences and schools financed in advance (within this financing period) but taking place after the 1st of April 2026:

	Conference / School	Place	Date	ECA support (€)
1	Crystallography methods in Heritage Science	Vienna, Austria	26 th November – 27 th November 2026	1'500
2	Central European Course of Computational Structural Biology 2026	Nové, Czeck Republic	26 th April – 2 nd May 2026	1'000
3	62 nd course of the ISCoC: "From Structural Biology to Structural Cell Biology with of machine Learning"	Ettore Majorana Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture – Erice, Italy	29 th May – 6 th June 2026	1'300
4	Thirty-second Croatian-Slovenian Crystallographic Meeting	Vodice, Croatia	17 th June – 21 st June 2026	1'200
5	19th European Powder Diffraction Conference – EPDIC19	Crans Montana, Switzerland	23 rd June – 26 th June 2026	1'000
6	11 th European Crystallographic School, ECS11	Stockholm, Sweden	28 th June – 4 th July 2026	5'000
7	Zurich School of Crystallography	University of Zürich, Switzerland	29 th June – 11 th July 2026	1'000
8	Electron Crystallography School 2026	Calgary, Canada	8 th August – 10 th August 2026	1'200
9	28 th Heart of Europe Bio-Crystallography Meeting (HEC28)	OREA Resort Panorama in Blansko, Czech Republic	23 rd September – 25 th September 2026	1'200
10	9th International School on Biological Crystallization	Granada, Spain	4 th October – 9 th October 2026	1'200
11	Indaba 10	Kruger National Park, South Africa	11 th October – 16 th October 2026	1'200
12	12 th International Conference of Hellenic Crystallographic Association (HeCrA)	NHFR Athen, Greece	23 rd October – 25 th October 2026	1'200