

Report of the Statutory Auditor on the Limited Statutory

to the Board of Trustees of

Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Bern

As statutory auditors, we have examined the financial statements of Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, which comprise the balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of changes in equity and notes for the year ended 31 December 2023. As permitted by Swiss GAAP FER 21 the information in the performance report is not required to be subject to the statutory auditors' examination.

These financial statements in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER and Swiss law, the foundation's deed and regulations are the responsibility of the board of trustees. Our responsibility is to perform a limited statutory examination on these financial statements. We confirm that we meet the licensing and independence requirements as stipulated by Swiss law.

We conducted our examination in accordance with the Swiss Standard on the Limited Statutory Examination. This standard requires that we plan and perform a limited statutory examination to identify material misstatements in the financial statements. A limited statutory examination consists primarily of inquiries of personnel and analytical procedures as well as detailed tests of foundation documents as considered appropriate in the circumstances. However, the testing of operational processes and the internal control system, as well as inquiries and further testing procedures to detect fraud or other legal violations, are not within the scope of this examination.

Based on our limited statutory examination, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not give a true and fair view of the financial position, the results of operations and the cash flows in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER. Furthermore, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not comply with Swiss law, the foundation's deed and regulations.

Zurich, 1 March 2024

Yours sincerely

LIENHARD Audit AG



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Enclosure:

- Financial statements 2023 (balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of changes in equity and notes)

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	Change
	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
Cash	6'985.13	14'206.01	-7'220.88
Postfinance	249'761.21	633'725.82	-383'964.61
Banks	6'044'695.20	7'764'041.27	-1'719'346.07
Total cash and cash equivalents	6'301'441.54	8'411'973.10	-2'110'531.56
Current assets with a stock exchange price	14'941'907.46	13'767'053.86	1'174'853.60
Receivables	81'853.60	51'277.62	30'575.98
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	64'343.46	103'988.84	-39'645.38
Inventories	1'145'651.30	859'946.94	285'704.36
Total current assets	22'535'197.36	23'194'240.36	-659'043.00
Real estate in Switzerland	1'630'000.00	1'630'000.00	-
Total ASSETS	24'165'197.36	24'824'240.36	-659'043.00
LIABILITIES	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	Change
	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
<u>Current liabilities</u>			
Payables	140'098.74	123'166.57	16'932.17
Deferred income and accrued expenses	272'212.95	525'068.05	-252'855.10
Total current liabilities	412'311.69	648'234.62	-235'922.93
<u>Non-current liabilities</u>			
Deferred long-term liability	333'333.33	333'333.33	-
Total liabilities	745'645.02	981'567.95	-235'922.93
<u>Organisational capital</u>			
Paid-in capital of the foundation	100'000.00	100'000.00	-
Designated capital	17'898'974.29	17'912'293.99	-13'319.70
Reserve for fluctuations in asset value	1'900'000.00	1'900'000.00	-
Unrestricted capital	3'802'380.48	6'299'162.41	-2'496'781.93
Net profit or loss for the period	-281'802.43	-2'368'783.99	2'086'981.56
Total organisational capital	23'419'552.34	23'842'672.41	-423'120.07
Total LIABILITIES	24'165'197.36	24'824'240.36	-659'043.00

INCOME STATEMENT

	1 Jan - 31 Dec 2023	1 Jan - 31 Dec 2022	Change
	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
INCOME			
<u>Donations</u>			
Ordinary donations	2'033'367.94	2'102'469.61	-69'101.67
Donations from legacies/gifts	380'059.00	683'550.94	-303'491.94
Earmarked donations	998'937.30	822'466.42	176'470.88
Donations in kind	2'127'783.62	1'851'559.77	276'223.85
Total donations	5'540'147.86	5'460'046.74	80'101.12
<u>Other income</u>			
SDC contributions	1'241'625.00	1'800'000.00	-558'375.00
Income from the Training Centre	10'944.23	9'309.72	1'634.51
Other income	196'767.62	402'786.53	-206'018.91
Total other income	1'449'336.85	2'212'096.25	-762'759.40
Total INCOME	6'989'484.71	7'672'142.99	-682'658.28
EXPENSES			
Direct project expenses			
<u>Newlands Clinic</u>			
Personnel expense	2'237'542.17	2'055'759.01	181'783.16
Materials and services	3'430'471.11	3'637'665.65	-207'194.54
Real estate	9'349.31	33'591.44	-24'242.13
Maintenance, repairs and replacements	138'437.45	194'541.84	-56'104.39
Vehicles and transport	48'548.28	120'186.56	-71'638.28
Energy	15'121.98	8'917.92	6'204.06
Administration/IT	180'765.97	166'313.10	14'452.87
Research	16'137.01	12'294.67	3'842.34
Total Newlands Clinic	6'076'373.28	6'229'270.19	-152'896.91
<u>Newlands Clinic Training Centre</u>			
Personnel expense	324'777.90	363'969.12	-39'191.22
Real estate	-	-	-
Maintenance, repairs and replacements	25'759.18	6'294.24	19'464.94
Vehicles and transport	4'089.97	8'033.93	-3'943.96
Energy	5'211.70	3'197.49	2'014.21
Administration	198'656.80	189'725.77	8'931.03
Total Newlands Clinic Training Centre	558'495.55	571'220.55	-12'725.00
<u>Women's Health Centre</u>			
Personnel expense	274'867.17	275'646.89	-779.72
Materials and services	99'973.19	69'705.53	30'267.66
Real estate	-	5'330.32	-5'330.32
Maintenance, repairs and replacements	20'584.32	24'750.60	-4'166.28
Vehicles and transport	-	-	-
Energy	11'644.60	5'749.04	5'895.56
Administration	9'771.82	6'640.59	3'131.23
Research	-	-	-
Total Women's Health Centre	416'841.10	387'822.97	29'018.13
Total direct project expenses	7'051'709.93	7'188'313.71	-136'603.78

INCOME STATEMENT

	1 Jan - 31 Dec 2023	1 Jan - 31 Dec 2022	Change
General expenses	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
Personnel expense	339'869.51	316'434.39	23'435.12
Services	44'403.80	-	44'403.80
Administration	112'103.30	75'437.33	36'665.97
IT	13'775.80	11'931.90	1'843.90
Fundraising	282'790.92	228'849.44	53'941.48
Communications	152'154.56	84'731.64	67'422.92
Other operating expenses	61'326.48	69'804.11	-8'477.63
Total general expenses	<u>1'006'424.37</u>	<u>787'188.81</u>	<u>219'235.56</u>
Operating income	-1'068'649.59	-303'359.53	-765'290.06
Net financial income			
Financial income	896'132.65	127'928.95	768'203.70
Financial expenses	-87'926.54	-2'228'749.74	2'140'823.20
Currency translation differences	-78'170.25	17'672.16	-95'842.41
Currency translation difference from IC elimination	19'363.65	-26'741.30	46'104.95
Total financial income	<u>749'399.51</u>	<u>-2'109'889.93</u>	<u>2'859'289.44</u>
Net non-operating income			
Real estate income	24'127.95	23'296.20	831.75
Extraordinary income / income unrelated to the accounting period	-	-	-
Total net non-operating income	<u>24'127.95</u>	<u>23'296.20</u>	<u>831.75</u>
Annual result before capital allocation	-295'122.13	-2'389'953.26	2'094'831.13
Withdrawal from designated capital	13'319.70	21'169.27	-7'849.57
Allocation to designated capital	-	-	-
Annual result after capital allocation	-281'802.43	-2'368'783.99	2'086'981.56

STATEMENT OF NET INCREASE/DECREASE IN ORGANISATIONAL CAPITAL

	Opening amount 01.01.2023	Allocation	Withdrawal	Currency difference	Closing amount 31.12.2023
	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
Paid-in capital of the foundation	100'000.00				100'000.00
Designated capital	17'912'293.99		-13'319.70		17'898'974.29
– Training Centre	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
– New projects	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
– Newlands Clinic	11'572'000.00				11'572'000.00
– Staff quarters	340'293.99		-13'319.70		326'974.29
– Women's Health Centre	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
Reserve for fluctuations in asset	1'900'000.00				1'900'000.00
Unrestricted capital	3'930'378.42	-281'802.43		-127'997.94	3'520'578.05
- Currency translation differences	-33'690.37			-127'997.94	-161'688.31
– Net income for the year		-281'802.43			
Total organisational capital	23'842'672.41	-281'802.43	-13'319.70	-127'997.94	23'419'552.34

	Opening amount 01.01.2022	Allocation	Withdrawal	Currency difference	Closing amount 31.12.2022
	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF	in CHF
Paid-in capital of the foundation	100'000.00				100'000.00
Designated capital	17'933'463.26		-21'169.27		17'912'293.99
– Training Centre	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
– New projects	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
– Newlands Clinic	11'572'000.00				11'572'000.00
– Staff quarters	361'463.26		-21'169.27		340'293.99
– Women's Health Centre	2'000'000.00				2'000'000.00
Reserve for fluctuations in asset	1'900'000.00				1'900'000.00
Unrestricted capital	6'290'517.74	-2'368'783.99		8'644.67	3'930'378.42
- Currency translation differences	-42'335.04			8'644.67	-33'690.37
– Net income for the year		-2'368'783.99			
Total organisational capital	26'223'981.00	-2'368'783.99	-21'169.27	8'644.67	23'842'672.41

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	2023	2022
	in CHF	in CHF
Operating activities		
Annual profit or loss before net increase/decrease in designated capital	-295'122.13	-2'389'953.26
Net increase/decrease in currency difference on equity	-127'997.94	8'644.67
Net increase/decrease in receivables	-30'575.98	16'509.25
Net increase/decrease in prepaid expenses and accrued income	39'645.38	-19'106.34
Net increase/decrease in inventories	-285'704.36	-31'640.50
Net increase/decrease in liabilities	16'932.17	1'724.95
Net increase/decrease in deferred income and accrued expenses	-252'855.10	-132'107.94
Cash flow from operating activities	-935'677.96	-2'545'929.17
Investing activities		
Investments in financial assets (net)	-1'174'853.60	2'178'757.39
Cash flow from investing activities	-1'174'853.60	2'178'757.39
Financing activities		
Financing activities/amortisation of mortgage	-	-
Cash flow from financing activities	-	-
NET INCREASE/DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	-2'110'531.56	-367'171.78
Liquidity statement		
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	8'411'973.10	8'779'144.88
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	6'301'441.54	8'411'973.10
NET INCREASE/DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	-2'110'531.56	-367'171.78

Notes to the 2023 financial statements

1. Principles governing the preparation of the financial statements

1.1 General

The Ruedi Lüthy Foundation was established on 12 February 2003 and entered under the name of Swiss Aids Care International in the Zurich Commercial Registry on 27 March 2003 as a charitable foundation under the terms of Art. 80 ff. of the Swiss Civil Code. The name change was approved on 16 June 2016 by the Federal Supervisory Board for Foundations (FSBF) and entered in the Bern Commercial Registry with effect 1 July 2016. The initial capital comprises a contribution by the founder of CHF 100,000.

The purpose of the foundation is to provide comprehensive treatment and support to HIV and AIDS patients in southern Africa. To this end the foundation may operate clinics, train doctors and nurses, and take any other measures that serve the purpose of the foundation. The foundation does not pursue any economic purposes and does not seek to make a profit. In accordance with a ruling by the Cantonal Tax Administration of the Canton of Bern, given its non-profit status, the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation is exempt from cantonal and municipal taxes, direct federal taxes, and inheritance and gift tax. The Foundation Regulations of 12 February 2003, with the amendments of 24 June 2014, 24 March 2015, 23 June 2015, 16 December 2015 and 25 May 2016, have been approved by the Federal Supervisory Board for Foundations (FSBF) of the Swiss Federal Department of Home Affairs.

Operational responsibility for all activities in Zimbabwe (Newlands Clinic, Training Centre, Women's Health Centre) lies with the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Zimbabwe. The Ruedi Lüthy Foundation in Bern bears the entire costs of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Zimbabwe.

1.2 Basis of the financial statements

The financial statements are prepared for the year to 31 December in accordance with the Swiss Code of Obligations and the requirements of Swiss GAAP FER 21. The material valuation principles are explained below.

A separate financial statement is prepared for each of the three areas of activity of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Zimbabwe. These accounts are kept in US dollars and audited by Grant Thornton in Harare. They are consolidated into the financial statements of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation.

1.3 Currency translation

The accounts of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation are kept in Swiss francs. Transactions in foreign currencies are converted into Swiss francs at the exchange rates prevailing at the time of the transaction. Cash and cash equivalents in foreign currencies are converted at the balance sheet date. The income statements of the three units in Harare are converted at average rates (the rates published by the Swiss Federal Tax Administration) and balance sheet items are converted at the rates on the balance sheet date mentioned above. Currency translation differences from the conversion of profit and loss items are recognised in financial income. Differences from the translation of balance sheet items are recognised directly in organisational capital:

Foreign currency	Average rate 2023	2023 closing rate
USD	0.9146	0.84128
EUR		0.9287
JPY		0.59624
GBP		1.07063
CAD		0.63461

Foreign currency	Average rate 2022	2022 closing rate
USD	0.9630	0.92341
EUR		0.98587
JPY		0.7001
GBP		1.11355
CAD		0.68167

1.4 Accounting and valuation principles

Cash and cash equivalents/securities

Cash, post office accounts and bank deposits are recognised at nominal value, securities at market prices as per the statements from the banks where the securities are held.

Inventories

Drugs and other goods are recognised at the lower of cost or market. Cost prices are determined using the weighted average price method.

Real estate in Switzerland

The property recognised on the balance sheet is rented to third parties. It was donated to the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation in 2021 and recognised on the balance sheet at a conservatively estimated market value.

The property is recognised on the balance sheet at current value and therefore systematic depreciation is not taken. To check impairment, a valuation report is commissioned every five years. If there are signs before the five-year period has elapsed that the value has developed negatively, a valuation report is promptly commissioned and any impairment immediately recognised in profit or loss.

Organisational capital

The organisational capital comprises the components of capital to be recognised under this item in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER 21. In addition to the foundation capital paid in by the founder, this includes funds whose use is not restricted by third parties and funds whose use has been designated by the organisation itself.

Recognition of donations

General donations (including legacies resulting from deaths and memorial donations) are recognised in profit or loss at the time of the remittance, in other words once the foundation can actually dispose of the funds. Mere promises of payment are not recognised.

2. Comments on the financial statements

2.1 Cash and cash equivalents and current assets listed at the stock exchange

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Cash	6,985.13	14,206.01
Postfinance	249,761.21	633,725.82
Banks	6,044,695.20	7,764,041.27
Total cash and cash equivalents	6,301,441.54	8,411,973.10
Current assets listed at the stock exchange	14,941,907.46	13,767,053.86
Cash and cash equivalents and current assets listed at the stock exchange	21,243,349.00	22,179,026.96

Cash and cash equivalents and current assets listed at the stock exchange (securities) constitute the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation's strategic cash reserves, safeguarding its capacity to act and contract in the medium to long term. In the event that donation income declines, these assets allow the necessary lifelong HIV treatment to be continued on a temporary basis and patients to be transferred to other clinics. Asset management mandates have been given to three banking institutions for the management of the funds. Any trailer fees due to the foundation are paid on an annual basis.

Securities are recognised on the balance sheet at market prices, and realised and unrealised gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. The organisation capital contains fluctuation reserves to take account of the market risks related to securities. The amount of these reserves is reviewed annually in accordance with the guidelines for the different asset classes and adjusted as required. On 31 December 2023 these reserves came to 12.7% of the value of the securities holdings (prior year: 13.8%).

2.2 Receivables

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Receivables from goods & services	2,636.30	3,144.65
Other receivables	79,217.30	48,132.97
Total receivables	81,853.60	51,277.62

Receivables from goods & services relate to receivables of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Zimbabwe (lab, etc.). Other receivables comprise credit with the Swiss Federal Tax Administration (withholding taxes) and the rental deposit for the office premises at Falkenplatz 9 in Bern.

2.3 Inventories

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Drugs and pharmaceutical inventory	1,064,361.40	790,732.52
Lab equipment and supplies	69,899.95	57,710.80
Other inventory	11,389.95	11,503.62
Total inventory	1,145,651.30	859,946.94

2.4 Real estate and tangible assets

Switzerland:

The real estate in Switzerland is a property that was donated to the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation in sole ownership in 2021. The donor has stipulated the condition that a defined share of the income on the property be transferred to another charitable organisation every year. The same applies to the proceeds in the event that the property is sold. The Ruedi Lüthy Foundation's obligations arising from this are taken account of in the financial statements.

Zimbabwe:

In the light of the political uncertainty in Zimbabwe, investments in real estate and tangible assets are not recognised on the balance sheet but are recognised directly in profit or loss on the date of acquisition.

2.5 Liabilities

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Liabilities from goods & services	112,526.02	58,696.40
Other liabilities	27,572.72	64,470.17
Total liabilities	140,098.74	123,166.57

Liabilities from goods & services relate exclusively to liabilities of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation, Zimbabwe. Other liabilities relate to the office in Bern.

2.6 Non-current liabilities

The amount recognised on the balance sheet as a deferred long-term liability corresponds to the obligation of the Ruedi Lüthy Foundation resulting from the donation of the property.

2.7 Foundation bodies

Board of Trustees:

Prof. em. Dr. med. vet. Hans Lutz, Rüdlingen (chair)
Martin Fuhrer, former Head of International Cooperation at the Swiss Red Cross, Bern
Prof. Rudolf Lüthy, Muntelier
Gregor Neidhart, certified expert in accounting and controlling, Winterthur
Dr. jur. Manuel Sager, former director of the SDC, Gümliigen
Prof. Dr. med. Gilles Wandeler, senior physician, University Clinic for Infectious Diseases, Bern (from 28 March 2023)
PD Dr. Eliane Rohner, Research Director, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, Bern (from 28 March 2023)

Executive Management:

Sabine Lüthy Hieringer, Chief Executive (from 1 September 2023 Co-Chief Executive)
Gregor Neidhart, interim Co-Chief Executive from 1 September 2023
Harald Henggi, Deputy Chief Executive (to 30 June 2023)
Hans-Peter Wüthrich, Deputy Chief Executive (from 1 June 2023)

Auditor:

Lienhard Audit AG, Zurich

Supervisory Authority

Swiss Federal Department of Home Affairs, Federal Supervisory Board for Foundations (FSBF)

2.8 Compensation paid to the governance bodies

The members of the Board of Trustees work in an honorary capacity. They are not paid attendance fees. Their expenses are reimbursed in accordance with the expense regulations. They can be compensated at the lower end of market rates for any advisory and operational work above and beyond their area of responsibility as a member of the Board of Trustees.

Ordinary emoluments paid to member of the Board of Trustees Dr Rudolf Lüthy for overall medical advice and to member of the Board of Trustees Gregor Neidhart for organisational advice from June to August 2023:

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Ordinary emoluments for medical advice in Zimbabwe and organisational advice in Bern	84,389.00	58,696.40
of which employer contributions	3,674.25	3,732.45
of which third-party services	26,234.75	123,166.57

Compensation paid to the Executive Board:

	31.12.2023 CHF	31.12.2022 CHF
Compensation paid to the Executive Board (incl. co-chief executives and deputy chief executive)	221,366.95	93,179.36
of which employer contributions	30,864.60	9,600.21
of which third-party services	34,925.00	

In 2023, additional compensation was paid due to the succession plan for the Deputy Chief Executive and to bridge the Chief Executive's extended absence due to illness.

Of the total compensation paid to the Executive Board, around CHF 96,100 was allotted to project expenses (prior year CHF 32,100) and CHF 125,300 to general expenses (prior year CHF 61,100).

2.9 Number of employees

On 31 December 2023, 4 people (2.5 FTEs) were employed at head office in Bern (prior year 6 people, 3.3 FTEs).

On 31 December 2023, 86 people (81.6 FTEs) worked in Zimbabwe (prior year 84 people or 80.7 FTEs).