London Economics Symposium - Trustee's annual report 2025

Mission statement

The London Economics Symposium was founded for students with the commitment to offer a platform for open discussion on global socio-economic and political events in a dynamic setting.

We believe stimulus for inspiration comes from listening to and interacting with influential and prominent people in their fields. The London Economics Symposium aims to form an effective dialogue between students, academics and leaders to foster a holistic view on world affairs.

The key goal of this event is for all parties to actively seek debate on today's relevant and pressing issues. Consequently, these discussions should enhance students' contextual appreciation of current events as well as share speakers' accumulated knowledge. Greater understanding of the present is the link which leads to creative, far-sighted and visionary thinking for our future. It is the responsibility of the world's leaders to guide and contribute their insight to the next generation.

We see the continuation of the London Economics Symposium as imperative. We hope to further engage, inspire and educate a broad range of students from diverse cultural backgrounds with a view to preparing future global leaders for the challenges of tomorrow.

Charitable purpose / public benefit

- No change to last year's purpose.
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What have we done to carry out the purpose

In last year's report, the trustees said that if no new conferences or activities were planned, the charity would have to consider winding down because of continued inactivity. Since then, the trustees have decided to try to revive the London Economics Symposium rather than close it.

The trustees' focus is now on handing the charity over to a new generation of students. We aim to recruit students to form a new organising committee that can restart the Symposium's events and carry its mission forward. As part of this handover, the trustees may also restructure the board of trustees, so that the charity's governance reflects the new organising committee and stays closely connected to the student body.

The charity's assets have remained stable, and it currently has no ongoing costs. The charity can therefore be kept in good order at no expense while the revival is pursued.

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