



2019 Annual Report

Highlights from the year



The 5th Kavli Symposium

Washington, DC, 18-20 February 2019

More than 160 participants gathered to explore the relationship between science journalism and government decision-making in areas such as health and environmental initiatives as well as investment in basic research. This discussion examined how journalism informs government policy and public opinion in areas of science, technology, and medicine. This non-partisan event was intended to help members of the scientific community and the media consider more aware of how their work affects government activities.

Partner: Kavli Foundation



UKRI Science Reporting Workshop

Harwell, UK, 10-15 March 2019

WFSJ assembled a team of experienced journalists to serve as trainers to build a professional science journalism network in Africa. This event received applications from 23 African countries and the selected group of participants were provided with an exceptional opportunity to learn the fundamentals of reporting on scientific topics, including the use of information technologies as well as skills for interviewing researchers.

Partner: United Kingdom Research and Innovation (UKRI)



WCSJ2019 Lausanne

Lausanne, Switzerland, 1-5 July 2019

This major event drew more than 1,300 people to an array of panel discussions, seminars, keynote presentations, and field trips celebrating the theme “Reaching new heights in science journalism.” This gathering was an outstanding addition to the international conferences that WFSJ and its partners have been mounting in places around the world for more than two decades, which continue to showcase the diversity and scope the global science journalism and communication community.

Partners: Swiss Association of Science Journalism, Association des journalistes scientifiques de la presse d’information, Science Writers in Italy



European Immunization Training Workshop

Geneva, Switzerland 14-16 October 2019

This workshop, which was led by experienced science and medicine journalists, provided participants from a variety of European countries with detailed information on the state of immunization. The goal was to enhance the ability of professional journalists to provide accurate reporting of this increasingly important aspect of public health.

Partner: Fondation Brocher



World Science Forum 2019

Budapest, Hungary, 20-23 November 2019

As part of this major international event, WFSJ organized a thematic discussion session to deal with a provocative question: when politics and science collide, should science journalists pick a side? This event was designed to be a lively, interactive exchange of views in which the audience was encouraged to cheer or boo particular perspective as they saw fit. The objective was to determine the various limits that scientists, journalists, and communicators impose on their work when it becomes subject to political pressure.

Partner: Kavli Foundation

WORLD FEDERATION OF SCIENCE JOURNALISTS
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
REVENUES		
Subsidies and contributions		
Grants	\$ 303,148	\$ 282,704
Fonds de recherche du Québec	5,000	1,650
Adessium Foundation	<u>-</u>	<u>26,146</u>
	308,148	310,500
World Conference of Science Journalists	267,943	-
Subscriptions	7,472	9,049
Interests and other revenues	6,883	9,107
Other donations	<u>2,302</u>	<u>5,075</u>
	<u>284,600</u>	<u>23,231</u>
	<u>592,748</u>	<u>333,731</u>
EXPENSES		
Salaries	219,223	159,223
World conference of science journalists	128,366	-
Travel and lodging	110,421	75,347
Professional fees	48,587	43,715
Other per diem	44,127	36,115
Conferences	14,891	5,542
Exchange loss (gain)	8,752	(22,608)
Rent	6,134	16,382
Office supplies and expenses	5,821	5,477
Local travel	5,174	449
Insurance	4,764	3,023
Telecommunication	4,756	6,924
Interests and bank charges	2,754	1,010
Miscellaneous	1,306	301
Depreciation of fixed assets	1,188	1,093
Consultants	<u>-</u>	<u>4,724</u>
	<u>606,264</u>	<u>336,717</u>
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ (13,516)</u>	<u>\$ (2,986)</u>

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 364,055	\$ 367,039
Investments	25,024	162,449
Accounts receivable	19,460	44,337
Prepaid expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>8,500</u>
	408,539	582,325
FIXED ASSETS	<u>1,782</u>	<u>2,970</u>
	<u>\$ 410,321</u>	<u>\$ 585,295</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued charges	\$ 18,761	\$ 3,095
Deferred contributions	<u>46,574</u>	<u>223,698</u>
	65,335	226,793
NET ASSETS		
UNRESTRICTED	<u>344,986</u>	<u>358,502</u>
	<u>\$ 410,321</u>	<u>\$ 585,295</u>

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CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 358,502	\$ 361,488
Deficiency of revenues over expenses	<u>(13,516)</u>	<u>(2,986)</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 344,986</u>	<u>\$ 358,502</u>

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CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Deficiency of revenues over expenses	\$ (13,516)	\$ (2,986)
Non-cash item:		
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>1,188</u>	<u>1,093</u>
	<u>(12,328)</u>	<u>(1,893)</u>
Net change in non-cash working capital items:		
Accounts receivable	24,877	167,502
Prepaid expenses	8,500	5,575
Accounts payable and accrued charges	15,666	(12,908)
Deferred contributions	<u>(177,124)</u>	<u>(29,283)</u>
	<u>(128,081)</u>	<u>130,886</u>
	<u>(140,409)</u>	<u>128,993</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investment acquisition (disposal)	137,425	(162,449)
Acquisition of fixed assets	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,988)</u>
	<u>137,425</u>	<u>(165,437)</u>
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(2,984)	(36,444)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>367,039</u>	<u>403,483</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 364,055</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 367,039</u></u>

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash.