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The goal of this foundation is the development and organization of programs for Dutch youth and students with diverse backgrounds, in order to enhance their awareness of the horrors of the Second World War.

Foundation Denk en Herdenk was founded by means of a notarial certificate on March 4th 2009 and is situated in Amsterdam. The Foundation is registered with the Dutch Chamber of Commerce under identification number 34330454.

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Preface

The goal of Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* (translation: “Think and Remember”) is to create awareness amongst the Dutch youth about one of the most horrific periods of history, the Holocaust. This awareness is created through education and organization of the March of the Living trip to specific places in Poland that were the setting of persecution and destruction of Jewish life and thought in the run-up to and during the Second World War.

The March of the Living gives Dutch youth and students the chance to take a closer look at these places. A professional guide accompanies the group. Visiting concentration camps, former Jewish ghettos and cemeteries provides participants with the unique chance to gain more knowledge and a better understanding of the history in the actual place of happening. The ninth March of the Living trip from the Netherlands to Poland took place in 2019. Unfortunately, there was not a March of the Living delegation from the Netherlands during the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic in 2022. However, March of the Living (MOTL) UK did manage to form a delegation after the annulment of the COVID-19 restrictions on a short notice. Two Dutch participants were allowed to participate within MOTL UK. We, as Foundation *Denk en Herdenk*, partly subsidized their participation costs and the flight tickets.

Next to organizing the March of the Living, the foundation promotes remembrance activities such as the yearly National Remembrance Day on May 4th, The Holocaust Memorial Day/National Auschwitz Memorial Day and remembrance ceremonies which take place at various Dutch universities and colleges throughout the Netherlands.



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I. Activities and Organization

1. Activities

After the annulment of the COVID-19 restrictions, the International March of the Living eventually decided to continue its annual program. Unfortunately, Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* did not have the opportunity to organize a trip on such a short notice. However, March of the Living UK did manage to form a delegation after the annulment of the COVID-19 restrictions. Two Dutch participants were allowed to participate. We, as Foundation *Denk en Herdenk*, partly subsidized their participation costs and the flight tickets.

The board held several (online) meetings in 2022.

In the Netherlands, Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* is the only entity that organizes participation in the March of the Living.

1.1 March of the Living

March of the Living (MOTL) is an international and educational program which exists since 1988 and is accessible for youth and students from all over the world. The central day of this annual program is Yom HaShoah, Remembrance Day of the Shoah. On this day, the March of the Living takes place, symbolizing the continuation of life in contrast to the death marches, the forcible movement of the prisoners of the concentration camp Auschwitz after its evacuation.

Nowadays, more than 10,000 people from all over the world participate with the March as a symbol of survival and more than that, to make a statement that the Shoah must never happen again. The March is preceded by visits to several places in Poland which were the setting for the horrors of the persecution of the Jews. The participants are accompanied by an experienced guide and places visited are concentration camps, former ghettos, old Jewish neighborhoods, and cemeteries.

The mission of the March of the Living is to create awareness amongst future generations about the Shoah, and the six million Jews which have been murdered during this period. In the Netherlands, Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* is the only entity that organizes participation in the March of the Living.



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2. Board

As determined in the Foundation's regulations, the Foundation is represented by the board. The board meets approximately once a month. Between meetings, phone and e-mail are used extensively to keep in contact. The board is insured through a third-party Insurance. This chapter comprises an overview of the current board and information about each board member.

2.1 Board members

Per January 2022, the composition of the board has undergone changes. An overview is given below.

Board during the years 2022

| | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Aniek de Graaf | <i>Chairman</i> |
| Bar Vingerling | <i>Secretary</i> |
| Yael Silberberg | <i>Treasurer</i> |
| Rachel Benistant | <i>Board member</i> |

Aniek de Graaf: Ministry of Defense Engineer.

Bar Vingerling: Secretary of the Portuguese-Israelite Congregation (KKTT) of Amsterdam.

Yael Silberberg: Social Worker at the Municipality of Amsterdam.

Rachel Benistant: Club Coordinator Personal Health Club.

2.2 Remuneration

The members of the board do not receive any remuneration for their activities within Foundation *Denk en Herdenk*: their position is voluntary.



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Recommendation committee

Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* is supported by a group of prominent individuals which comprise the recommendation committee.

Frits Barend

Former Dutch television- and radio host, columnist, editor.

Ronald van den Berg

Secretary of the Dutch Auschwitz Committee.

Jacques Grishaver

President of the Dutch Auschwitz Committee. Knighthood in the Order of Oranje-Nassau.

Prof. Victor Halberstadt

Professor in Economics and the University of Leiden, Former Honorary General Secretary of the Bilderberg Group

Drs. Ted Musaph

War survivor, Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Anne Frank Foundation. Board member of the National Committee 4 and 5 May, former president of the Jewish Historic Museum.

Ernst Numann

Former Vice President of the Court of Law of The Hague. Judge in the Supreme Court of the Netherlands. Former member of the Joint Court of Justice of Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten.

Benoit Wesly

Entrepreneur and Honorary Consul for Israel.



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4. Fund-raising

Article 3 of the regulations of Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* states that the Foundation's estate must be comprised by:

- Subsidies and donations;
- Gifts, testamentary dispositions, and legations;
- All other acquisitions and assets.

In 2022, the Foundation has not received subsidies.

5. Abstract of future plans

It is the Foundation's goal to continue organizing the March of the Living. Additionally, Foundation *Denk en Herdenk* also has the ambition to continue to contribute to the organization of the National Holocaust Memorial Week.

As in previous years, the focus for the March of the Living will be young people between the ages of 18 and 30. We have seen that there is a real need for a trip for these ages. Young adults are exploring themselves and a trip like this made many of them realize that in order to create a better future for the Jews in the Netherlands, you need to learn from the past. A trip like the March of the living helps to create awareness and is still, after so many years, a hot topic in the youth in the Netherlands especially with the rise of Anti-Semitism around the world

In the coming years, the foundation will continue to strive for a larger engagement with its target audience. In 2023, additional attention will be given to promotion using (social) media. All this to enlarge the audience and create a March of the Living trip for as many people as people in its target audience.



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II. Financial Accountability

Financial statement

| Financial year | 2021 | 2022 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Revenue | | |
| Subsidies | | |
| Stichting Levi Lassen | € - | € - |
| Stichting Maatschappij tot Nut der Israëlieten | € - | € - |
| Stichting BADA | € - | € - |
| B'nai B'rith | € - | € - |
| Lexhanna Stichting | € - | € - |
| NIISA | € - | € - |
| Stichting Collectieve Marorgelden (Maror) | € - | € - |
| Vereniging De Joodse Invalide Stichting Israël | € - | € - |
| Gezondheidskolonie | € - | € - |
| Sally Berg Familie Fonds Stichting Joods Maatschappelijk Werk | € - | € - |
| Contribution participants March of the Living | € - | € - |
| Donations | € - | € - |
| Participation cost Christians for Israel | € - | € - |
| Chamber of Commerce | € - | € - |
| Restitution | | |
| Insurance | € - | € - |
| Total | € - | € - |



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| Financial year | 2021 | 2022 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Expenses | | |
| Administrative costs | € - | € - |
| Chamber of Commerce | € - | € - |
| Bank account costs | € 154,50 | € 170,15 |
| Notary costs | € - | € - |
| Website | € 66,00 | € 66,00 |
| Third party insurance | € 363,00 | € 363,00 |
| Other | € - | € - |
| Board member expenses | | |
| Travelling expenses | € - | € - |
| Telephone expenses | € - | € - |
| March of the Living | | |
| Flyer and advertisement costs | € - | € - |
| Organizational conference | € - | |
| Air travel | € - | € 611,36 |
| Participation costs March of the Living UK | € - | € 480,56 |
| Pre- and post-trip meetings | € - | € - |
| March of the Living other | € - | € 12,00 |
| Participation cost Christians for Israel | € - | |
| Restitution unused subsidies | | |
| Stichting Levi Lassen | € - | € - |



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| Stichting Maatschappij tot Nut der Israëlieten | € - | € - |
| NIISA | € - | € - |
| Lexhanna Stichting | € - | € - |
| B'nai B'rith | € - | € - |
| De Joodse Invalide | € - | € - |
| Total | € 583,50 | € 1.703,07 |

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|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Trading account | - € 583,50 | - € 1.703,07 |
| Interest | | |
| Result | - € 583,50 | - € 1.703,07 |



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6. Balance per 31 December 2022

| Financial year | 2021 | 2022 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Assets | | |
| Non-current assets | € - | € - |
| Current assets | | |
| ABN-AMRO Bank 52.17.56.979 | € 2.059,59 | € 738,69 |
| Total assets | € 2.059,59 | € 738,69 |
| Equity/Liabilities | | |
| Capital and reserves | € 2.059,59 | € 738,69 |
| Acquired subsidies (including participant contributions) | € - | € - |
| For MotL 2021 | € - | € - |
| For MotL 2022 | € - | € - |
| Liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable | € - | € - |
| Short-term debts | € - | € - |
| Long-term debts | € - | € - |
| Total Equity/Liabilities | € 2.059,59 | € 738,69 |



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Explanation

Financial year

The financial year is the same as the calendar year. All amounts are in Euro [€], unless noted otherwise.

Foundations for appreciation and results

All assets and liabilities are valued at par value, unless noted otherwise.

Liquid assets

The liquid assets are at the disposal of Foundation *Denk en Herdenk*.

Long-term debts

The long-term debts are those with duration of more than one year.

Short-term debts

The short-term debts are those with duration of less than one year.

Insurance

In 2022, all the expenses were for running costs.