

# **VANDERES** foundation

## Policy Plan 2026 – 2030

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# 1. Introduction

The Vanderes Foundation is a Dutch public benefit organisation (ANBI) established in 2017. The Foundation's purpose is to contribute as effectively as possible to reducing suffering and improving wellbeing worldwide.

Since its founding, the Foundation has evolved from a focus on impact investing in education towards a broader strategy guided by the principles of Effective Altruism. This transition was driven by the insight that different interventions can vary dramatically in effectiveness, and that resources should therefore be allocated where they achieve the greatest impact.

For the period 2026–2030, the Foundation will continue to build on this approach, focusing on:

- Maximizing impact per euro donated
  - Using evidence and expert guidance in decision-making
  - Maintaining a long-term investment and donation model
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## 2. Mission and Vision

### 2.1 Vision

We believe that we can maximize our impact by focusing on problems that are big, solvable and neglected.

### 2.2 Mission

Our aim is to reduce suffering as much as we can. And while doing this, we include all sentient beings and future generations in our moral circle.

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## 3. Objectives and Strategy

### 3.1 Objectives

The Foundation aims to:

- Maximize the positive impact of its financial resources
- Contribute to solving large, neglected and tractable global problems

- Build a long-term philanthropic legacy

The Foundation explicitly and strictly operates as a not-for-profit.

### 3.2 Strategy

The Foundation applies the following strategy:

- **Investment model**  
The Foundation invests its core capital to generate financial returns. Other than through receiving donations the Foundation does not grow its core capital.
  - **Donation model**  
Investment returns are donated annually to highly effective charitable interventions.
  - **Cause prioritization**  
Funding decisions are guided by the principles of Effective Altruism, focusing on:
    - Global health and poverty reduction
    - Existential risk reduction
    - Animal welfare
  - **Use of expert knowledge**  
As a default, donations are made through expert-managed funds (such as EA Funds), while selectively supporting specific organisations where the foundation expects outsized impact, guided by EA experts.
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## 4. Current Situation

The Vanderes Foundation has completed its transition from its original strategy of impact investing in student financing to a model focused on maximizing charitable impact in 2020.

Legacy investments (e.g. loans to student financing organisations) are being gradually wound down. Capital is invested through an endowment-style strategic asset allocation to generate attractive long-term returns.

The foundation operates with:

- No employees
  - Very limited operational costs
  - Support from unpaid advisors
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## 5. Activities

The activities of the foundation during the period 2026–2030 consist of:

1. **Capital management**
  - Investing core capital in order to generate financial returns
2. **Annual donations**
  - Donating investment returns to the most effective charitable organisations
3. **Research and evaluation**
  - Assessing cause areas and interventions
  - Monitoring developments within Effective Altruism
4. **Engagement with experts**
  - Consulting external advisors and experts in philanthropy and investing

Activities are global in scope and not restricted to a specific geographic region.

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## 6. Future Outlook

The Foundation expects to:

- Continue increasing annual donations through returns on capital invested
- Improve the effectiveness of its giving through better data and expert input
- Maintain flexibility to adapt its strategy based on new insights

Relevant external developments include:

- Increasing availability of impact research
  - Growing professionalization of philanthropic advisory structures
  - Economic conditions influencing investment returns
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## 7. Organisation

### 7.1 General Information

- **Statutory name:** Stichting Vanderes Foundation
- **Legal form:** Foundation (Stichting)
- **Chamber of Commerce (KvK):** 68720181
- **RSIN:** 857562241
- **ANBI status:** Yes

- **Website:** [www.vanderes.foundation](http://www.vanderes.foundation)
- **Email:** [info@vanderes.foundation](mailto:info@vanderes.foundation)

## 7.2 Board

The Foundation is governed by an independent board. Board members perform their duties on an unpaid and uncompensated basis.

- Chair: Mirte Gosker
- Treasurer: Nienke Budde
- Secretary: Inge van Dasselaar

The board decides on the basis of a simple majority vote, where each board member holds a single vote.

## 7.3 Employees

The Foundation has no employees. External advisors may support activities on an unpaid basis.

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# 8. Finance

## 8.1 Management of Assets

The Foundation manages its assets as follows:

- Core capital is invested to generate returns
- Investment returns are donated annually

The Foundation's core capital was received from members of its founding family. Their donations have all contained requirements to maintain their donated capital as core capital for the Foundation.

The Foundation does not aim to grow its capital through investment returns, in line with ANBI regulations, but solely through contributions from its founding family. All investment returns are donated to charitable causes. The Foundation does not build or maintain financial reserves and donates out any excess capital as soon as it becomes available.

The Foundation expects to make a return of around 8% annually on its core capital, which per 31 Dec'25 stood at almost EUR11 million.

## 8.2 Spending of Assets

Funds are spent on:

- Donations to highly effective charitable organisations
- Minimal operational expenses (e.g. website and administration)

The Foundation would expect to spend around EUR850,000 per year on charitable donations. As this spending is based on the investment returns made in the year prior, the actual donations made from year to year will vary extensively.

## 8.3 Income

The Foundation's income consists of:

- Investment returns
- Contributions from the founding family

The Foundation does not actively raise funds from external donors.

Through its return on its core capital the Foundation would on average expect to generate around EUR850,000 per annum of investment returns. These returns form the basis for the donation budget.

## 8.4 Multi-year budget

The Foundation's expected annual income for the years 2026-2030 are EUR850,000 from investment returns. The annual expenses of the Foundation are expected to be around EUR3,000 per annum. The annual donations of the Foundation over the period are therefore expected to be around EUR847,000 per annum.

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# 9. Governance and Transparency

The Vanderes Foundation adheres to the requirements for ANBI-status and aims to operate with a high degree of transparency.

This includes:

- Availability of policy plans on our website
- Annual financial reporting
- Clear documentation of governance and activities

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## 10. Closing Statement

The Vanderes Foundation acknowledges that achieving maximum impact is an ongoing process that requires continuous learning and adaptation.

By combining:

- A long-term investment approach
- Evidence-based philanthropy
- Independent governance

The Foundation aims to ensure that its resources contribute as effectively as possible to reducing suffering and improving lives worldwide.