



# Society for the Study of the Sudans (UK)

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## SSSUK is looking for a new Treasurer

### The Society

This is a chance to help lead the development of the Society, whose purpose is:

“To provide a forum for discussion and circulation of information and ideas between interested groups and individuals concerned with or interested in Sudan and South Sudan, and to advance the education of the public in Sudanese studies.”

Behind these formal words is a Society that caters for everyone who wants the relationships between people from Sudan, South Sudan and Britain to continue and flourish in the future. The Society publishes a lively 80-page journal, *Sudan Studies* twice a year, and organises an annual symposium and other events. It is a friendly forum that welcomes new members.

### The role

The Treasurer is ex-officio a trustee of the Society, and participates in all major decision making, as well as being responsible for membership matters and the Society's finances. The Annual Accounts prepared by the Treasurer are examined each year by a representative of the members, and then submitted to the Charity Commission. At present the Society has about 220 members and a turnover of around £5,000 pa.

The time required to do the work varies considerably but on average the commitment is likely to be around 10 hours a month. The busy times are January and February when the Treasurer needs to deal with subscriptions and produce the annual Accounts, and also August and September when the annual general meeting and symposium take place.

### Skills needed

Since it was founded in 1986 the Society has only had three treasurers, and none of them had financial qualifications. The job does however require a systematic approach, a head for figures and an ability to use and maintain databases. Good social skills are also useful when dealing with membership matters, and familiarity with social media would be helpful when promoting the Society. Prior knowledge of Sudan and South Sudan is desirable but not essential. This is a satisfying and rewarding role and whoever is appointed will find the members welcoming. Other trustees and the previous treasurer will happily provide assistance and briefings during the settling in period.

The vacancy needs to be filled in the autumn of 2022, and firm expressions of interest should be sent to the Secretary of the Society ([secretary@sssuk.org](mailto:secretary@sssuk.org)). If you (or someone you know) would like to learn more, you are welcome to speak to the present treasurer, Adrian Thomas. He can be contacted on [treasurer@sssuk.org](mailto:treasurer@sssuk.org), or on 020 8348 4897.

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