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The importance of using green economic thought for the prospects of humanity in the 21st century and beyond should not be overlooked. The sooner decision-makers, leaders, stakeholders and everyone else involved in shaping how society operates come to understand the pitfalls of current economic models that often too oversimplify or leave out crucial data, the faster will we get on the right track to building a sustainable future that maximises benefits for us and the co-habitants of our planet.

To even those without a formal background in economics or finance, it is clear that the world can look radically different if the conceptual economic frameworks developed up to this point are taken to their full and impermeable potential. I believe the key to standing any chance against the impending climate catastrophe is to implement cast iron and robust economic mechanisms that maintain the correct balance between nurturing climate-necessary innovation and holistically transitioning societies to pro-climate, pro-survival and pro-nature behaviours and actions to the ends of reducing or changing such unequal and damaging consumption.

Of course there are many challenges that stand in the way of this such as the fragmented and non-global nature of policy making, as well as widespread lobbying by those who perceive that their own well-being and standing in the world will diminish if such proposed changes come to fruition and associated democratic fallibility. However, it is clear from what I can perceive that thinking regarding the necessary changes is becoming ever more widespread and ready for implementation - what is needed now is strong leadership, clear messaging and perseverance to see the changes manifest in reality. Making life style changes, changing what we actually value and how we value it, putting a price on the environment and natural world and factoring into conventional equations, taxing carbon, subsidising green technologies, we have the strategies needed to limit global heating to as low as possible. It is simply a matter of being thorough with our economics and understanding that the systems we have today would look in all likelihood vastly different if everything were costed correctly and used in our equations was the output we need (a temperature-increase limited planet). People's livelihoods will change, models of allocation and distribution will be revolutionised. This will cause vast upheaval and a need for a restructuring project unlike any seen before, but it is possible. But it is likely these changes will lead to enhanced outlooks for social justice, inequality, mental and physical health, not just the environment, certainly after the initial blip at least. It is too important not to act now, and after the admitted period of turmoil that may be uncomfortable and even cause short-term discomfort, compare this to the suffering further down the line to be seen if we do not act, it is a no brainer.

The Green Economics Institute will help make the above vision a reality, through its international and collaborative nature it seems a great benchmark against which other movements globally can take inspiration from. I look forward to being more involved with its work and hope that it can help facilitate the actions needing to be taken as soon as possible.

With kind regards,
Giles Manning
The Editor



A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER AND CEO



Welcome to our 2023 Annual Report of the Green Economics Institute founded in 2004

I am delighted to advise that the institute goes from strength to strength and is continuing to attract more and more professional and active young people and other academics policy makers and campaigners around the world to support it in its mission to educate the public in social environmental and economic justice and green economics and reform of economics according to its mandate.

2023 has been the year when we have attracted the most academic articles and papers to our ground breaking academic journal -which we founded in 2006 the worlds longest running leading green journal. A truly international paper- The International Journal of Green Economics run for us by an academic publisher.

We have also increased our presence at the United Nations with 4 delegations this year- with many partners- the number of which has also diversified and increased. We began with participation in the Global Climate Finance Group of the United Nations for the second year running. We then had a delegation to the Bonn SB58 United Nations Climate Conference at the UN European campus in Bonn, Germany. We then had an expanded delegation to the United Nations Biodiversity Science Conference and initiative IPBES 10 a landmark conference focusing on Invasive species- mainly as a result of climate change which is creating havoc for humans and their livelihoods as well as destroying whole ecosystems. We were also been granted an official large delegation to the COP 28 climate conference of the United Nations in Dubai- The UAE and we are expecting to have an official side event with partners and also an official exhibition stand with more diverse partners too as well as for the first time taking part in other groups delegations and official speaking side events.

Additionally we have produced several exhibition stands where our team go out and speak to the public some at the United Nations and this year after several years of lock down and pandemic effected restrictions we participated in the 42nd annual green fair at Oxford Town Hall in the UK in November featuring the issue of refugees and migration a subject on which we have done a lot of work including a book, and several conferences and other events and on which we continue to campaign with several refugee people in our charity so that we can walk the talk. We had an exhibition stand in Glastonbury in the summer too.

We also ran a very interesting conference – our 19th annual green economics institute conference in Glastonbury in June and people came from all over the world including Greece, Kenya, Uganda Nigeria to name a few. It was very successful and we broadened out the activities to include nature walks and music and craft this time staying on a lovely farm near Glastonbury in the countryside.

We have also restarted our books publishing programme after a slight lull- and we currently have several exciting books in production – African voices, Green Economics Past Present and Future- voices from around the world, 20 years of Green Economics innovation, Introduction to the destruction brought on by money laundering, corruption volume 2- following on from the excellent book we published by Dr Enrico and Dr Lavinia Tezza in Italy, The Effect of Covid on the agricultural sector globally and in India by a range of professors and academics from around India. If you would like us to publish your book or research please contact us by email [.greenecomicsinstitute@yahoo.com](mailto:greenecomicsinstitute@yahoo.com). The Green Economics Institute Publishing House and GEI Books.

We held several events this year and hold weekly team meetings throughout the year. We have increased the number of team members and also enhanced its spread, diversity and quality recently with more emphasis on professionalism and research around the world. We have also enhanced our policy statements and upgraded them on our website.

It would be nice if it was independent of its traditional funders by the time of its own 20th anniversary as well as possibly having its own small office from which to function.

Its connections continue to grow and enhance- as its director is now on the alumni committee of one of Oxford University's Colleges and is active at the Environmental Change Institute's network from where we can be tapped into the latest science. We have quite a number of the University's alumni as trustees of advisors this year which helps enhance the quality of the trustees work.

We ran an event looking at the reality of modern Africa- called- the Future is Africa in the summer and this was well attended and excellent speakers and everyone wanted to create a book out of its findings which we are doing this year. The exciting issues are that Green Economics is being implemented in parts of Africa and being used by NGOs and governments to help enhance peoples lives there.

We hope to take on 20 students over the winter to prepare for the Green Economics Institutes 20th anniversary and to help with our innovations and campaigns and research. We are also looking at how to ensure the legacy and continuity of the charity beyond its original founders' team so that it is sustainable in the very longer term, as well as archiving its work so far so nothing is lost.

We continue to provide small scale humanitarian aid -last year to Ukraine people suffering on the front line and this year to help in Sudan. We hope to further develop our presence as a provider of non biased diverse media with no vested interests in the selection of items and ideas so the public can be given the truth from academic and scientific communities and people on the ground.

We have increased our inclusion of indigenous leaders as speakers and leaders of our delegations and also in our charity work. We have in 2023 people from Sweden, Peru, Chad, Algeria from Indigenous communities all leading different activities and platforms. This was also a big feature of the United Nations Biodiversity IPBES 10 where indigenous voices are beginning to be heard and play an increasingly prominent role.

The campaigns it has chosen for the second half of 2023 are- food, food security, food as a weapon, water security, geo stability, democracy, data responsibility, anti slavery, neo feudalism, research funding and cuts to education, just transition, pollution, geo engineering, women, corruption, fossil fuel phase out, government corruption, media in the pockets of corrupt or selfish groups, privatisation dangers, perverse incentives, renewables, finance, cost of living crisis engineered by corruption, equality inclusion. Leadership crisis and failures. Logistics issues and reengineering.

As you can see we have been very lively this year and look forward to the 20th anniversary year of The founding of the Green Economics Institute, and this will be marked by a conference at St Hugh's College, University of Oxford in June 2024 and we very much hope that all our supporters, writers, alumni etc will get tickets to come and support the event and join in and network with all the wonderful people who have been involved in the last 20 years and will continue to be involved for the next 20 years.

With warm regards,

Miriam Kennet

Founder and Director
The Green Economics Institute
September 2023



IMPACTS, PUBLIC BENEFIT, AND ACHIEVEMENTS

ABOUT THE GREEN ECONOMICS INSTITUTE

The Green Economics Institute is a Not for Profit Company Limited by Guarantee, founded in 2004 with the aim of innovating in social environmental and economics justice, both in the UK and internationally. It aims to stop runaway climate change, the 6th ever mass extinction of species and to reform economics into something useful and sustainable.

OUR OBJECTIVES:

OBJECTIVE 1: *To educate the public on green economics and social and environmental perspectives.*

ACTIVITIES:

- **Running conferences and workshops and conferences on environmental issues:**
 - For example in summer 2019, our organization ran a summer school at The University of Oxford on the topic of Green Jobs.
- **Courses and training:**
 - In 2020 we ran a course on how to be a trustee and facilitated a training program on green finance. In 2021 we ran several on line training courses and conferences one of which had 1000 people signed up to it.
- **Develop a global network of contacts and arrange training for contacts in green economics:**
 - The Institute has a range of social media accounts including Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Pinterest, Flickr, Vimeo and has about 10 websites supporting different aspects of its work and which it uses to contact the general public and many more to communicate with the general public. We run regular conferences both on line and in person and work with people all around the world.
- **Publications:**
 - This year the Institute has released monthly newsletters and blog entries on our website as well as producing 4 issues of our academic journal and is currently producing several books and magazines.

OBJECTIVE 2: *To promote new ideas for the reform of the economic and policy environment in which business operates.*

ACTIVITIES:

- The Institute produced a book entitled Landfill in Latvia: Towards a Circular Economy. The book explores waste-management in Latvia and how to balance financial incentives and environmental protection.
- We added a book on Health and pollution with author Professor Gabriella Marfe from the University in Campagna, Naples.

EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC

The Green Economics Institute educates the public in all aspects of Economics Reform and Green Economics as well as social and environmental perspectives.

Exhibition Stands

It normally carries out many exhibition stands throughout the year and all the trustees help with the exhibition stands. In 2019 at least 20 exhibition stands were hosted by the Charity around Europe in particular from Belgium to Finland and many other countries.

In 2023 we ran several including during our annual conference in Glastonbury UK and will be running a large 2 week exhibition stand at COP28 in Dubai where we hope 1000s of people will attend in person as well as several other venues during the year including Oxford Green fair in the town hall. We envisage running more frequent exhibition stands in 2024 to participate more fully in other organisations activities



A learning organisation

As a learning organisation, we ensure that all our trustees are fully trained and encourage all of them to attend regular training in a variety of different items as varied as how to keep the charity going during the pandemic, how to run international charities, health and safety, safeguarding, fire safety, professional boundaries, mental health, time management, and how to be a good trustee, treasurer, managing volunteers, digital and data management, keeping money safe, international foreign transaction safety for charities etc.

We have run professional in-house on line charity training for of our team members with our government charity training partners Involve. We ran regular training courses with our partner The Green European Foundation including climate feminist perspectives, climate change, preparing for the COP conferences. We also worked on relevant digital issues and data as well as metals, mining, migration and mobility and many other issues as well as social and environmental and economics and financial training and development.

We regularly keep up to date by means of our presence on various committees at Oxford University and the Oxford Union and other educational establishments and attending regular conferences in a variety of settings. We try to participate in at least one external event a week to keep in touch with news and events and educational issues.

EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC

Summer Schools

We run summer schools for up to 100 people at a time, in 2019 we had a large summer school for 3 weeks and 100 students from all over Asia and China and in 2021 we held a summer school on line about feminist perspectives which was well attended as well as another training course on climate change during the COP United Nations conference in Glasgow.

In 2023 we ran a 3-day Networking in Nature: Green Economics field trip and summer event at our Education Centre, on a farm -EarthSpirit Centre, in Glastonbury covering themes such as recalibrating our relationship with nature, embracing nature as within us and we are within it, who are we as humans, how the pandemic was caused by our devastation of nature and our economic systems, values, valuation and valuing Ecosystems services, nature based solutions and equality inclusion. We included field trips on how to identify wild plants and their uses.

We have run a similar event on line which had 1000 people registered during the pandemic and we hope to continue to offer a mixture of on line and in person courses or all kinds. We have 1000s of alumni from our courses and we hope very much that many of them will attend our forthcoming 20th anniversary conference at St Hugh's College, University of Oxford in June 2024.



Post Graduate students

We regularly host post graduate students both in terms of study and guided writing in our books, academic journals and in research and further study.

Work Experience and internships and study placements.

Since we were founded, we have offered what has been termed- the Rolls Royce of Internships and Study Placements and our students have often gone on to greater things including higher national offices and fast track civil service placements. This means our courses alumni are an influence in the world where we hope they will make the world a better place for everyone and everything on the planet.

We do have up to 20 students working with us at any one time. We try to ensure all of them have publications or citations if they can if they wish and also we offer them the chance to host or present at our conferences which can attract nearly 1000 registrations. This gives students and early career researchers a great start to their working lives.

ECONOMICS PERSPECTIVES

Green Economics: a Unique Perspective bringing practical solutions in a world of disarray

The neoclassical economics that has been taught in virtually all universities and practised in research units and policy-making forums around the globe, excludes the evaluation, use and/or synthesis of alternative research methods. In this regard it is not fit for purpose since it's often unable to adequately predict, account for or remedy complex economic crises or other intractable problems of today. It has indeed perhaps caused many of these problems by failing to take into account real world problems preferring elegant one dimensional explanations.

The world is messy and complex and endlessly fascinating and a true enigma but economics as the dismal science, failed utterly to comprehend itself beyond the world of its graphs and texts. Whilst it argued and fiddled with its flat representation of the world through the lens of rational economic man, the world descended into chaos justified by such biased and myopic explanations. Green Economics was one of the first to question its underlying assumptions and philosophies and structures - even the voices within it- and we called for other voices, explanations, scientific corrections to this incomplete narrative. 20 years ago when we started we were told that no one would listen to us- now it's taken as a given that the mainstream is battling to find new narratives which can allow them to carry on with business as usual -and very few people still believe them. The emperor we first called out 20 years ago -really had no clothes -and now the green economy and green economics is one of the leading narratives in world development and the fault line of many an economic argument or challenge with whole elections being won or lost on its dividing lines. Some of the world's largest economies are now in their 6 green economics plans-so our narratives have influenced world agendas in ways we could never have dreamt of. Many of the ideas in Kennet and Heinemann 2006, Green Economics Setting the Scene, Inderscience, vol 1. Issue 1. are now widely accepted but they caused a stir when we first mooted them.

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However there is sadly absolutely no room for complacency as the world is still on course for environmental destruction -we didn't manage to change that yet and that is definitely the next course of action for the institute.

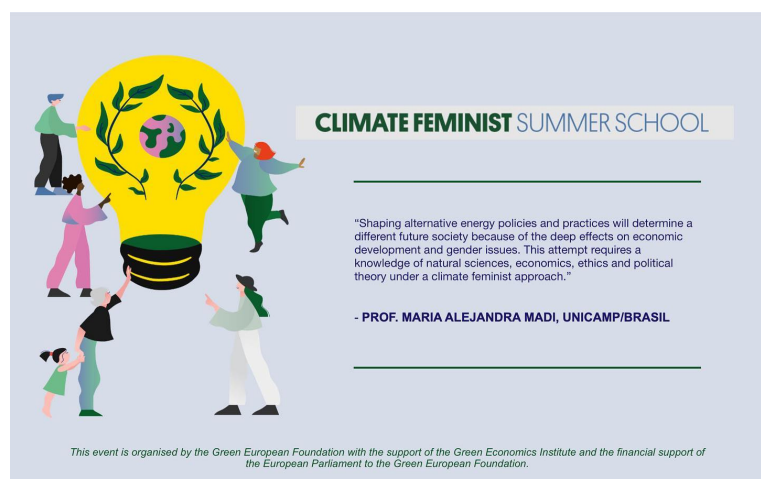
One reason for this state of affairs is that crises, such as the climate emergency, are not factored in the models i.e., all crises are considered as external aberrations to an otherwise optimal self-regulating market. In addition, the research is often conducted in insular communities of like-minded people that mitigate collaboration and/or synthesis with 'differently' minded people who may hold the key to the resilience of the communal output.

Green economics, on the other hand, fully engages with pluralism, history and inter-disciplinary work and is, therefore, better placed to provide a more robust explanation of economic realities, particularly in times of crisis.

One of the key historic strengths of the GEI is that it has celebrated and, furthermore, enjoys the diversity and inclusion of its membership, associates and core team and this has been reflected in all of its activities. The growing impact of GEI's journal, book output and reporting, manifested in work such as digitisation, finance or the climate emergency, illustrates that it has a key role to play in multi-agency partnering that facilitates the resilience and sustainability of life on the planet.

The Green Economics Institute has published many books and articles on economics and finance over the years written by authors from our network all over the world. These can be found at www.geibooks.org.uk and more are about to appear in 2024.

Miriam Kennet and Dr Simon Mouatt



INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF GREEN ECONOMICS

Now in its 19th year, the IJGE addresses all aspects of Green Economics, aiming to encourage economic change and positioning Green Economics at the centre of the Economics disciplines. Green Economic theories, policies, tools, instruments and metrics are developed to facilitate a change to the current economic models for the benefit of the widest number of people and the planet as a whole. IJGE focuses particularly on resource management, meeting peoples' needs and the impact and effects of international trends and how to progress social justice.

In our issues of 2023 we include papers on a range of topics including; unemployment challenges in Nigeria, pollution across the African continent, sustainability and environmental stewardship and sustainable production and consumption.

The journal comes out 4 times a year with rolling deadlines and is peer-reviewed with harvard style referencing. If you are interested in discussing an idea for an article or would like to submit a paper please email us at info@greeneconomicsinstitute.org.uk.

This year we hosted both academic journal and research team meetings.

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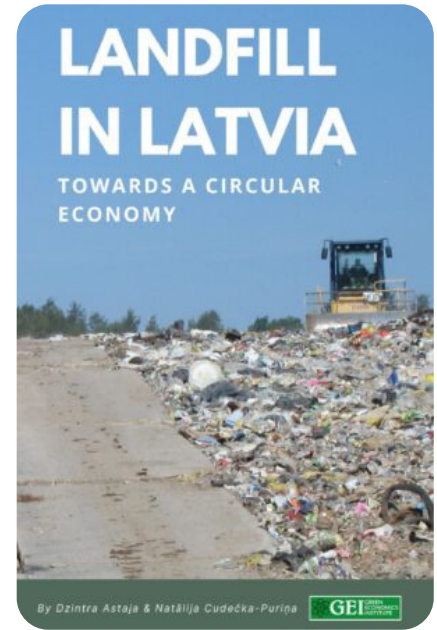


Books: Waste Management

LANDFILL IN LATVIA

Towards a circular economy

In this book, authors Natālija Cudečka-Puriņa & Professor Dr Dzintra Atstāja provide an in-depth analysis of waste management concepts, latest trends and developments, decision-making techniques, applied in waste management on the European level. They focus in particular on the practices of Latvian landfill management companies, identifying their critical problems. With waste production on the rise in the EU, their analysis of the problems within the Latvian system provides a critical insight into one of the pressing issues in environmental management not just in the EU but worldwide.



RISKS AND CHALLENGES OF HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

Reviews and Case Studies

This reference edited by Gabriella Marfe and Carla Di Stefano explores hazardous waste management in a selection of cities through reviews and case studies, covering four overarching themes 1) the problems of healthcare waste management, 2) case studies of hazardous waste mismanagement, 3) health risks associated with environmental waste, issues in environmental health and 4) grassroots environmentalism. The volume initially presents reviews and case studies from developing countries, including countries in South America (Argentina), Africa (Algeria and Nigeria), and Asia (India). The latter chapters of the book focus on environmental issues in Campania, a region in Italy. These chapters also provide an insight into the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on waste management practices in this region.



Books: Corruption and Non-Transparency

EVALUATING CORRUPTION

Something Rotten Around the Globe

This book by Dr Enrico Tezza and Dr Lavinia Tezza makes sense of today's corruption and puts it into the context of the contemporary economy. It shows how a disdain for social and environmental justice provides a space and security for corrupt and unethical practices and leads to the kind of corruption we see today.



UNSUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

United Nations Conferences and European Union Law

Coming soon by Dr Enrico Tezza and Dr Lavinia Tezza.



ILLUMINATING DARK CORNERS

Evaluating Anti Money Laundering and Counter Financing Terrorism

Coming soon by Dr Enrico Tezza and Dr Lavinia Tezza.



CLIMATE CHANGE HAS ACCELERATED

Over 10 severe flooding events happened all over the globe across just one week early this September, in addition to major floods following the Libyan earthquake that took thousands of lives. Whilst many human factors can be attributed to flooding events, such as building homes on floodplains, chopping down trees and not maintaining dams, scientists have clearly identified the links between global heating and heavier rainfall, worsening the Greece and Libya floods in particular. The United Nations called this the year of global boiling.



CLIMATE EVENTS DIPLOMACY

Another important aspect of the Institute's work is educating the public through events and conferences. This has so far been achieved this year through attendance at the pre-session SB58 United Nations climate conference in Bonn in the run up to COP28 in November as well as sending delegates to the 10th session of United Nations IPBES Biodiversity session.

SB58 UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CONFERENCE

We participated in various dialogues during the Bonn conference in June, as well as running an official side event that covered the topics of:

- The Global Stock Take: Who needs to do the heavy lifting to keep within 1.5 degrees of warming?
- Spotighting alternative voices: Intersectional implications: Less or more developed countries? Equitable Just transition approaches for indigenous peoples + leadership.
- Engaging stakeholders: the importance of broad stakeholder engagement in the process + delivery of concrete action, implementation, investment, action agenda a key focus for COP 28 building on the rich action agenda at COP 27. Integrated + holistic- gendered, approaches including youth + peace.
- Differentiation and equity; Human rights; Indigenous peoples

This was run with partners Global Greens (Verts Mondiaux) and Technology Education Research and Rehabilitation for Environment Policy Centre (TERRE Policy Centre).



PARTICIPATION AT UNITED NATIONS COPs FOR OVER 14 YEARS

The Green Economics Institute has had a strong presence at the United Nations COP conferences, sending out delegations for over 14 years. This includes most recently COP27 in Sharm-el-Sheik as well as COP26 in Glasgow. A delegation will be heading to Dubai in November for COP28.



CLIMATE PERSPECTIVES

CLIMATE CHANGE

The inner landscapes

In this book, Jeremy Seabrook examines our collective dependency on consumption and its subsequent effects on global warming, biodiversity and marine life. He argues eloquently and persuasively that as we confront the climate crisis, we need to re-examine our most deeply held assumptions, beliefs and prejudices in order to invent a new social, political and economic order in which we can live more harmonious and creative lives.



CLIMATE JUSTICE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

It is increasingly necessary to view the numerous interconnected systemic social, political and ecological problems in a new light which will make us capable of addressing these issues and expand our imagination to think of new visions for the 21st century. This book aims to bring together more responses, ideas, visions and solutions from diverse perspectives to help frame the conversation around the climate and climate justice.



10TH SESSION OF UNITED NATIONS IPBES BIODIVERSITY PLENARY

We sent a delegation to Bonn in August for IPBES-10, building upon the work of previous sessions.

The 2030 work programme includes the following initial assessments and papers:

- Nexus assessment: A thematic assessment of the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health in the context of climate change
- Work on biodiversity and climate change: A technical paper on the interlinkage between biodiversity and climate change
- Transformative change assessment: A thematic assessment of the underlying causes of biodiversity loss and the determinants of transformative change and options for achieving the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity
- Business and biodiversity assessment: A methodological assessment of the impact and dependence of business on biodiversity and nature's contributions to people

The Report of IPBES UN Biodiversity Summit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZjW7ZBOO8IE>

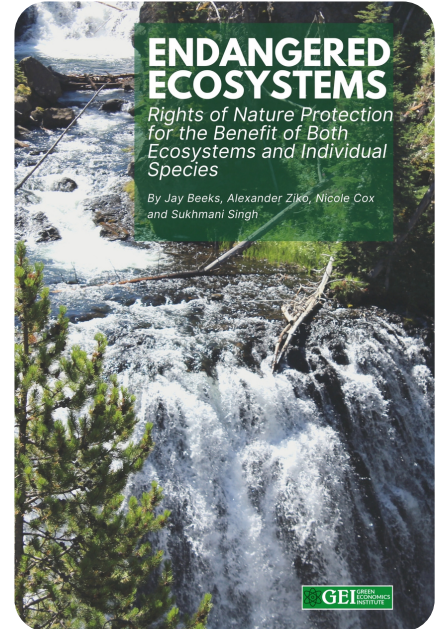


ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVES

ENDANGERED ECOSYSTEMS

Rights of nature protection for the benefit of ecosystems and individual species

This book authors Jay Beeks, Alexander Ziko, Nicole Cox and Sukhmani Singh explore ethics and justice in ecosystem protection. They examine the role of justice in the natural world and provide an analysis of the concept of Rights of Nature and look at instances where ethics and justice have worked in the favor of natural ecosystems in comparison to unethical environmental practices. The book goes on to discuss the potential pathways to ethical ecosystem protection, supported by accounts by sustainability and justice experts in order to argue that Rights of Nature and environmental justice principles can be utilized more holistically to create systems of ethical ecosystem protection.



THE SURVIVAL SOLUTIONS PROJECT

The Green Economics Institute has published a book and hosted a follow up event in July 2021 revolving around the theme of Survival Solutions. These projects aim to bring together more responses, ideas, visions and solutions from diverse perspectives to help frame the conversation around the myriad global challenges in front of us. Both the book and the events tackled important issues which need urgent actions from civil society in order to build a world where everyone can thrive. With both projects, the Green Economics Institute aims to foster civic action and leadership.



THE FUTURE IS AFRICA

A one-day GEI event

15.04.2023

This April, the Green Economics Institute put on a one day event exploring the major role Africa and its population will have in the future, given the rising young population comparative to other parts of the world.

Our past and our future is in Africa, the young people of the world are in Africa.

There is a large educated population in Africa, much of the worlds true natural wealth is in Africa and sustainable development has been live in Africa for years. Climate Impacts were felt amongst the first there- the issues of global warming, health and agricultural issues droughts, crop failure.

But many of the worlds scientific inventions have historically come from the continent and even mathematics continues to be dominated by African talent. It was African American women who calculated how to get people onto the moon even if hidden figures, the foundation of London is reported to have been by an African Roman- so much of life is actually African and so we explore how Africa can take its place in the world and be more conscious of its huge advantages and stop the terrible exploitation of its people and its resources. The event will explore all of these factors, the developments in vacine science, the history that has been stolen from Africa and rewritten. The impacts of climate change, biodiversity loss and historical ways of organisation of society and the learnings from that.



Over the course of the day, various topics were explored with a wide range of speakers contributing, including looking at: The relationship of the European Union and the implications for policy; The Implementation of the Green Deal particularly in Africa; The vastly ambitious Green Wall Sahara Project- for replacing the greenery which was once in the Sahara; The biodiversity implications and President Macrons projects from France. The role of the African Development Bank; The role of academics today working in Africa; The particular role of the SDGs and the role of aid and its characteristics for the 21st century.

SOCIAL PERSPECTIVES

The institute works in multi disciplinary ways to show the public how social and environmental and economics are linked.

It leads by example with inclusive and diverse teams.

It both leads philosophically and in its projects and by example. It has written and published many books and articles on social justice both in the publications of the Green Economics Institute and also in other publisher's; books. These include books such as: The Philosophy of Social Justice, The Handbook on Social Justice and The Economics of Social Justice books and many others.

To this end, always ahead of the curve, we created one of the first books on Citizens Income and Green Economics in 2011 which has always been popular.

We are well known for our work on Migration, trafficking and mobility and its 21st century challenges being a leader in other voices and other perspectives. We have- run 3 conferences and published proceedings and our book - Changing the Narrative of Migration and also creating a partner video explaining that we believe that migration is normal for human beings and for most animals especially in times of environmental and climate change and this has always been and always will be the case and no one can stop or prevent it. We should embrace it and not try and resist it as it will continue long after we have gone.

Other projects are trying to prevent poverty by working on economics questions of distribution and power. Our book on womens unequal pay and poverty, one of the first on this subject has been used by governments around the world to make policy as different as in Sweden and Gambia.



SOCIAL PERSPECTIVES

Our work on inclusion and the economics effects on 'other groups means that we are members of the Womens Budget Group and we work on methodology of inclusion and diversity. In 2020 we published an important article - Beyond the Silos - about methodology of inclusion and multi disciplinary working.

Anti slavery and supply chain transparency

We also took part during the year in the Black Lives Matter activites and events highlighting the issues and have in 2023 updated and greatly strengthened our anti slavery statement and are taking advice and training from leading anti slavery and anti trafficking NGOs. We educate the public in the reality of supply chains, for example metals, IT and telecoms, where many of the components are known to contain metals and elements which have slavery and child labour inherent in their supply chains.

Diversity

We try to lead by example in having an inclusive organisation which is largely women led and in recent years nearly all our United Nations delegations have been themed on diversity issues and we are known for this. The United Nations has many videos on its website showcasing our diversity.

The charity has always prided itself on its diversity of its members right up to Director level. We have often run training on autistic spectrum issues and many of the people attracted to economics are on the spectrum so it has always been relevant to our work. We have also always worked with qualified people on mental health at all levels and our teams have included people with major mental health challenges and indeed they have often done extremely well with us- editing our books and succeeding often after years of challenges in the mainstream situations and so we are very proud of this our long standing record. We have several specialists amongst our teams and trustee members who write and advise in these areas on national policies.

We have in 2023 added work with the Cleft Pallete Association CLAPPA where we have taken an active role this year and hope to provide training for doctors and medics and the general public under or 'education of the public' on social and environmental justice remit. One of our Directors has been especially active in this area campaigning for change in how people with disabilities are received and how the public and medical practitioners conceptualise their journeys. Oten they pathologise them rather than understanding that this is the journey for many people and they deserve to live a fulfilled life as such.



SOCIAL PERSPECTIVES

Health, mental health and wellbeing

In this pandemic age health has risen to the top of the agenda round the world. We have however always seen a link between health, economy and green issues and have a history of covering this in a multi disciplinary and holistic way. This includes leadership on Social Prescribing and the value of the environment in peoples health and well being. We regularly have panel debates with pyschiatrists at our events and we work with prominent people in the field and others working on mental health. Our members include a number of doctors and psychiatrists and our work is well regarded in the health arena.

THE GREENING OF HEALTH AND WELL BEING

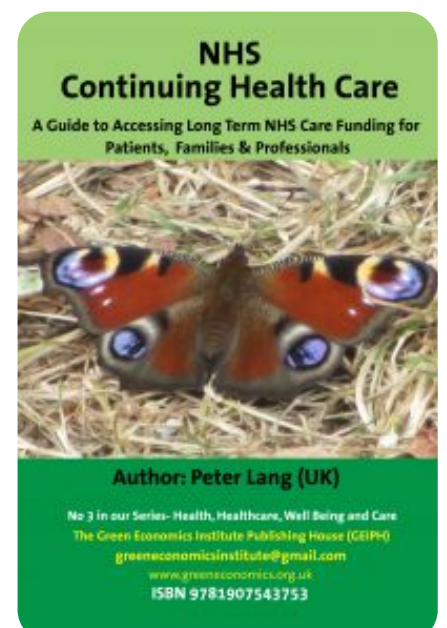
This book edited by Miriam Kennet explores the link between our place in nature and the environment and our health, reminding us that its the basics of healthcare such as hygiene that matter and in many countries hospitals do not even have a bar of soap, let alone running water or electricity. The topical and vital link between economic equality and good health is strongly made in the book.



NHS CONTINUING HEALTH CARE

*A guide to accessing long term
NHS care funding for patients,
families & professionals*

Peter Lang's book is very popular as a guide for looking after family members.

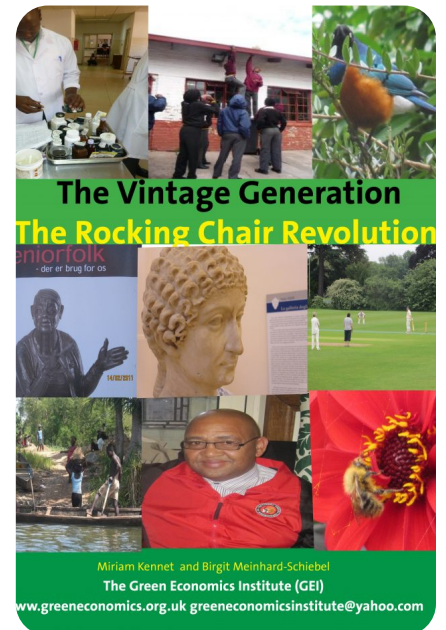


SOCIAL PERSPECTIVES

THE VINTAGE GENERATION: LETS HAVE A ROCKING CHAIR REVOLUTION

Green perspectives of older people

Miriam Kennet and Birgit Meinhard Schiebel help to break down barriers to see a new narrative on ageing. Featuring global green voices, the new world in which far more people are older and are a significant force in the economy is explored. This is a sudden change which has happened over the last 12 years and we seek to explore the new realities of life for everyone as well as the particular challenges, for society and for the individual, of life as an older person. We would like to create an economy which is welcoming to all the new older people we have in society so that they can play their full part and reach their own full potential in a supportive environment and economy, enriching their lives and participating with a respectful society for their experience and wisdom. As greens we value life long learning and participation.



PHILOSOPHY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

I Lovely book by Samuel Gilmore and Miriam Kennet published in 2015



INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP

Indigenous voices

Indigenous people are leaders within the Green Economics Institutes work and events. In 2023 our United Nations official side event presentations were shared by indigenous leaders.

The indigenous mothers leaders are interviewed on our TV station.

We made a pledge at Katowice COP25 that we would aim for a quarter of our United Nations delegations to be indigenous voices and leaders.

Detailed interviews with all of these indigenous leaders can be found on our GEI TV station. Pictured here are leaders from the Mao Forest Peoples in Kenya, indigenous leaders from South America including from the Amazon, and the Sami People from the Arctic Circle Sweden. The charity has also been approached by indigenous people from the DRC and Berber Community in Saharan Africa to help.

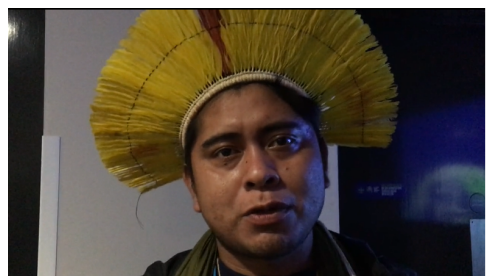


Photo above is of Merem Tahar one of our trustee advisors who is an indigenous leader and speaker from Chad who chaired our United Nations UNFCCC SB 48 Climate Conference in Bonn in 2023. She is pictured here also speaking at COP27 in Sharm El Sheikh Egypt in 2022 on our official United Nations side event panel.

ABOUT THE CHARITABLE TRUST

The Green Economics Institute supports the work of the Green Economics Institute Trust: a registered charity and provides resources and information to help it carry out its work where appropriate

The Green Economics Institute Trust is a charity registered with the Charities Commission of England and Wales and works to provide education for the general public in order to develop a world of social and environmental justice and to enable Economics to be more inclusive and more benevolent for all people everywhere, nature, other species, the planet, and it's systems. We aim to develop economics from today's destructive discipline into something more productive which can foster social and environmental justice rather than fight against them.

We are also an Educational Institute and College and a leading international network of Innovators in all aspects of Green issues. We are a great place to study and our publications provide an innovation in giving space to new and alternative voices from around with the world without editing them to say what we think but by letting the voices shine through in their own words.

We are involved in all aspects of change from research right through to implementing practical and applied change. We also have speakers, lecturers and tutors available and we provide training courses and education in settings all around the world. We run regular and frequent conferences all around the world and often hold them in Oxford.

We are not funded by any major body or any group of people and all our funding comes from small donations from individuals, memberships, professional accreditations, and from our related supporters' activities selling books, conference places or advising governments which means we can say what we think we ought to and what our science advises us would benefit people and the planet rather than being constrained by vested interests.



WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

It is becoming increasingly clear that the 'business as usual' is no longer acceptable. The current status quo not only harms the planet but disproportionately affects the most marginalised in our societies- including indigenous peoples who are often on the front-lines of climate justice.

Green Economics aims to redefine who and what we value in society - putting people, nature and the environment over financial gain. Stopping runaway climate change will require fundamental transformations in all aspects of society — how we grow food, use land, transport goods, and power our economies.

The Green Economics Institute Trust was founded in 2006 with the aim of trying to tackle these crises through the sharing of new ideas, knowledge and perspectives. Through its conferences and events the Trust aims to connect people from different disciplines - from politicians, activists, scientists, financial experts, to people working in civil society and academia - to work together in order to create a better future for both the planet, nature and all people who inhabit it.

We are particularly active in stopping climate change which is one of the biggest threats currently facing humanity and all other life on this planet. Rising temperatures are fuelling environmental degradation, natural disasters, extreme weather, food and water insecurity, economic disruption, conflict and mass displacement of peoples.

We warned in our early speeches that we were experiencing the 6th ever mass extinction of species and very few believed us then, but sadly we were correct and prescient with the idea. Our ideas in this areas have been widely accepted and we now work with partners from all over the world on this issue and at the United Nations too with scientists.



Biodiversity loss and the 6th mass extinction of species is reckoned to be 7 times more costly even than climate change and a complete catastrophe in terms of survival is also an area in which we have always worked running regular events, publishing books and now we are participating regularly in the United Nations scientific work of IPBES conferences which is extremely fascinating. In 2023 the main conference IPBES 10 focused on invasive species which are those species which are establishing niches in areas previously unseen and which affect the existing ecosystem and human livelihoods and upsetting the balance of nature.

The other aspect is the understanding of the important leadership role of indigenous peoples. This figured much more prominently as custodians of all life on earth and all our futures. We have at the institute done a lot of work on empowerment and diversity and we pledged that our teams are often led by indigenous leaders -this year our climate change delegation panel at the United Nations official side event in Bonn was led and chaired by Merem Tahar an indigenous leader from Chad. We interview and learn from indigenous leaders on our vimeo TV station and please do visit it and hear what they have to say- we deliberately leave their voices in their home language as we believe its important to hear what they really say and mean without interference. Our project is to increase the number of indigenous voices and perspectives so do watch this space.



WHERE TO FIND US

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CALENDAR FOR 2023/2024

Find all Green Economics Institute events on eventbrite at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/green-economics-institute-30629514186>

November 2023



EVENT -Our official delegation to *COP28 United Nations Climate Conference UAE*

2 Week Conference, UAE

Date: **Tuesday 14th to Saturday 25th November 2023**



EVENT - *Our Official UN COP28 Side Event in Dubai UAE*

Date: **Saturday 25th November at 16:45 EET**



EVENT - *Our Official UN COP28 Exhibition Stand in Dubai UAE*

Date 2 weeks : **Saturday 25th November December 2023**



EVENT - *Exhibition Stand Oxford Green Fair*

Oxford Town Hall

Date: **Saturday 25th November 2023 at 10:00 GMT**

December 2023

March 2024



EVENT- *International Womens Day Women Leaders GEI Conference*
1-Day online Womens Leadership Conference and Training
Date: **Friday 8th March 2024, 18:00-21:00 GMT**

June 2024



EVENT- *SB59 United Nations Climate Conference*
United Nations Campus Bonn, Germany
Date: **3rd-13th June 2024**



EVENT- *Green Economics Institute 20th Anniversary Conference*
3-day conference at St Hugh's College, University of Oxford
Date: **Friday 14th to Sunday 16th June 2024**



EVENT- *Global GEI Alumni Event and Get Together*
St Hugh's College, University of Oxford
Date: **Friday 14th June 2024 at 10:00 BST**



EVENT- *COP29*
Bids out, Brazil/Australia (as of Sept 2023)
Date: November/December 2024

OUR DIRECTORS



Miriam Kennet

Miriam Kennet was one of the Founder Members of the Green Economics Institute Trust. She has led many educational courses and lectured around the world at many different Universities. She has led Youth in Action Courses for the British Council and the EU, Erasmus Student Courses for hundreds of students, qualification courses and many other educational practices including Adult Literacy at Black Friars Settlement in London, for which she trained at London University. She teaches on the Summer School Programmes and also tutors our Post Graduate Research Programme Students.

She won an award from 1 world action as one of the 100 most powerful unseen women in the world given by John Snow of the BBC. She also won the Honour Award from the Trade Ministry in Luxembourg for her Green Business achievements. She was alumna of the month at South Bank University, and has degrees from South Bank, Leeds and Oxford University.

She has been trained in Trust issues, administration, finance and many other aspects of Trust Management and is on the Assemblies of two other Foundations, The Green European Foundation and the European Network of Political Foundations, one in Luxembourg and one in Brussels.



Michelle Gale

Michelle S. Gale has been a leader of the Green Economics Institute, UK. She is a member of the Law School of the University of London School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), holding an MA in Human Rights Law with a focus on Islamic Law, Peace-Building, and Developing Countries, specifically South Sudan. Founder of the Gender Progress Consortium, she holds degrees in Political Science and International Relations from Richmond, the American International University in London (RAIUL).

OUR TEAM MEMBERS

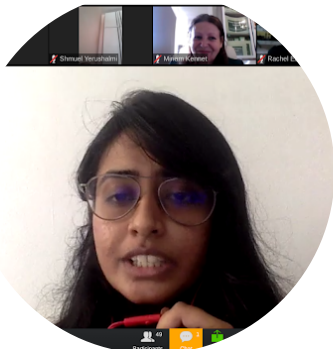


Bianca Madison-Vuleta **DIRECTOR Denmark, Italy, UK** **and Croatia**

Bianca Madison-Vuleta has attained her extensive knowledge of natural and complementary medicine by studying with many of the world's leading experts, including Lifestyle Medicine training at Harvard Medical School.

She is Founder and Co-chair of The British Academy for Lifestyle Medicine, whose mission is to provide world class education in promoting healthier and more responsible lives through sustainably improved lifestyle choices.

Bianca is one of our most prolific writers in many of our books and also a highly experienced speaker, on our videos and our events, as well as an advocate for our work, for social and environmental justice and education for our Trust.



Sukriti Anand - India- ADVISOR

Management Accountant. Creator of the Green Economics Institute Research Group.

I am a mixed-methods researcher at the intersection of economics and social impact. I have around three years of experience in economics research & consulting, with a master's degree from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M). I have worked on diverse topics such as global governance, economic policy, sustainable ecosystems, poverty, and other development issues from a multidimensional perspective. With my well-developed problem-solving abilities, innovative viewpoints, and creativity, I am adept at developing policy recommendations based on thorough primary & secondary research, market survey and statistical data analysis

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Maria Alejandra Madi DIRECTOR

Maria Alejandra Madi holds an MA in Philosophy and a PhD in Economics . Her academic career includes a long-term professorship at UNICAMP (1983-2012) and visiting professorships at the University of Manitoba in (Canada) and at the University of Kassel (Germany), in addition to a position as Avocational Lecturer at Steinbeis University Berlin. She is also researcher at the Center for Pragmatism Studies (PUC-SP,). In addition to her overall research interest that lies in the financial and social challenges of globalization, her current line of investigation includes a philosophical discussion both of realism in economics and in the methodology of economics within the wider context of the philosophy of science.

She has been Chair of the World Economics Association(WEA) Online Conferences Programme since 2014, Editor of the WEA Books Conference Series and founding editor of the WEA Pedagogy Blog (weapedagogy.wordpress.com/). On behalf of her interest in a pluralist Economics Education , she is also Assistant Editor of the International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education.



Marlyn Lee Hughes DIRECTOR

Marlyn is the Green Economic Institute Trust's Chair of Trustees and works on our compliance and policies and the overall well being and meetings of the trust. She chairs all the Trust Meetings. She began her career as a Radiographer, qualified at Edinburgh, a former BA purser, an English Language teacher and designer of Education Courses at Newbury College and now mentors teachers in all areas in FE.

OUR TEAM MEMBERS



Anjikwi Mshelbwala - Nigeria

Anjikwi is a specialist in Aid and IT as well as bringing knowledge of Green Economics for Development as it is needed and is evolving in several parts of Africa. A senior person in Action Aid Charity in Africa. He is currently working with a major aid agency helping to solve and prevent the problems of Covid 19 in Nigeria.



Rhiannon Hawkins

Rhiannon is a 3rd year geography undergraduate student at Mansfield College, University of Oxford, and is widely involved within climate work both inside and outside the GEI. Prior to working with the GEI she has been involved with climate change/justice projects with the Royal College of Psychiatrists (RCPsych) by working with the Child and Adolescent faculty on research, conferences and focus groups on Climate impacts upon youth mental health, leading to publication of an academic journal opinion article for The Association of Child and Adolescent Mental Health (ACAMH), as well as work on a variety of podcasts and live zoom webinars. She also helped the RCPsych in the founding of the EcoCAMHS working group which supports clinicians across the UK by issuing workshops and training to help young people experiencing eco distress. This work has meant the group has been a leading focus group not only in the RCPsych by leading the way in producing important conferences but globally with clinicians across the globe using our models and practices

Her experiences attending both COP26 and SB56, Bonn were highly insightful, frustrating and eye opening experiences inspiring her to fight for climate justice and attempt to combat systemic injustice routed within UN institutions. This is to ensure climate change is tackled effectively involving the voices of all communities and knowledges, but also making sure industrialised nations take responsibility for their actions in causing catastrophic environmental degradation but also historical and present day human exploitation which originates from European colonisation and imperialism.

OUR TEAM MEMBERS



Professor Ehtisham Abassi - Morocco and India

Ehtisham is a highly qualified and a passionate researcher and academician with over 10 years' teaching and research experience across reputed universities across India, KSA, UK and Sultanate of Oman.

Ehtisham is an expert in developing and driving various educational programs, developing and implementing new standards in universities and colleges, and assisting universities and colleges in improving and delivering excellent learning experience to students. His work combines a focus on student achievement with a passion for scholarly work and he has an exceptional track record of research success with multiple published journal articles and conference papers.



Hans Kåre Flø -Norway

Hans Kaare Floe holds a masters degree in Physics from University of Oslo and a masters degree in Management from Norwegian Business School in Oslo. Hans has worked as a research assistant and an institute director at the University of Oslo and is now a special adviser at the engineering association Tekna – The Norwegian Society of Graduate Technical and Scientific Professionals. Presently he is also president of the Industrial Board of The Norwegian Academy of Technological Sciences and managed Teknas contribution to Oslo European Green Capital in 2019

OUR TEAM MEMBERS

Anna Diaz Vidal - Spain and UK

Anna holds a degree in Sustainable development and is currently pursuing a Masters in Environmental Policy.

Learning across disciplines, always with sustainability at the core of all her actions: she is most comfortable in the context of systems thinking. Thematically, she has an interest in political economy, monetary policy and the interactions between science and policy, always with an ecological focus.

With our partner project Ana engaged in training sessions by international experts and political leaders and developing my advocacy projects in cooperation with fellow ambassadors. Deconstructing pre-existing biases and developing new approaches to gender and climate issues. Twenty ambassadors from across the globe participated in a six-month training program promoting the growth of the green feminist movement across Europe.

Johana Alazar

Johanna Alazar (Eritrea/Sweden) is the co-founder and CEO of Finjal, a fusion coffee company that partners with farmers in the Horn of Africa to create coffee and reinvests the profits in water conservation in the same region. In that work, she has been appointed as Ashoka changemakersxchange initiative 25 entrepreneurs in 2021. She has become an avid speaker on youth social entrepreneurship and is fiercely passionate about creating spaces to ensure that people from the Horn of Africa are not forgotten in the climate discourse

Chelengat Scholar

Chelangat Scholar, is a young energetic Leader, she is a Co-Chairperson of the Green Congress of Kenya, and one of the green champions in the East African Greens Federation.



OUR TEAM MEMBERS



Ana Nacvalovaite

Research Fellow, Kellogg College, University of Oxford.
MSt in International Human Rights Law (2011), DPhil on Regulation of Sovereign Wealth Funds (2018).

Ana is working with Professor Jonathan Michie on a three-year research project in Kellogg's Centre for Mutual & Co-owned Business, investigating whether sovereign wealth funds might focus investments globally on local co-operatives as a way of enhancing social and environmental sustainability. "We hope to identify ways in which this would enable these huge funds to be used actively to pursue Sustainable Development Goals, including SDG 13 to 'Take action to combat climate change and its impacts'.

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Doaa Salmon - Egypt



Dr Doaa has been working on the charities education in economics since the beginning and led a large party on our British Council 5 nation educational course and field trip many years ago with us which was incredibly exciting where we pioneered green jobs and green careers as a training course in the world.

Dr. Doaa is a highly accomplished economist and professor at the Faculty of Management Sciences at October University for Modern Sciences and Arts. She has a Ph.D. in Economics from Ain Shams University, Egypt, and a master's degree in the same field, establishing her as a respected authority in academia. As an approved consultant and trainer for esteemed educational institutions and universities, Dr. Doaa provides valuable consultations and training to multinational private and governmental organizations across diverse domains. Her profound understanding of conducting Feasibility Studies in Egypt has proven instrumental in identifying common risk areas, reducing costs, and increasing revenue throughout the project lifecycle.

In addition to her academic role, Dr. Doaa holds the position of Vice Dean for postgraduate studies. Her extensive knowledge and experience in the field of economics make her a valuable asset to the academic community and a trusted advisor for organizations seeking to enhance their economic performance

OUR TRUSTEES

Dr Aaron Sternickzy - Austria

As a business consultant Aaron Sternickzy's work is mainly dedicated to the intersection between digital and ecological transformation. A specialist for innovation-management he advises enterprises and public institutions on questions regarding structural and conceptual transformations.

He is the Program Director of the MBA Digital Transformation offered by the University of Applied Science BFI Vienna in cooperation with the E-Learning Group. His academic research is furthermore dedicated to the future perspectives of Green Finance and Impact Investment – especially regarding climate adaption.

Aaron Sternickzy has studied in Vienna and Warsaw Political Science (MA), History, Philosophy, Sociology as well as Financial Strategy (PG Dip) at the University of Oxford (affiliated with St. Hugh's College). He holds a PhD in Political Philosophy, attained at the LMU University of Munich.

He is a regular contributor to the Green European Journal (Brussels), a co-founder of Generation Grundeinkommen Austria (Vienna), an initiative promoting the idea of the Universal Basic Income, and an Editorial Board Member of the International Journal of Green Economics.

Leena Ahmed

As the institute's global diplomacy coordinator, Leena is responsible for the expansion of the institute's diplomatic mission and international presence. In her role, she hopes to establish a global green diplomacy network that provides a platform and networking opportunity for green economy advocates from around the world and across ministries to cooperate on key areas to invigorate the push for incorporating green economic principles into government-decision making before it's too late.

She completed an undergraduate degree in International Studies at the American University of Sharjah and obtained a master's degree in Diplomacy from the University of Reading. During her studies, she produced an undergraduate senior thesis on feminist movements in the Muslim world and wrote a dissertation for her master's degree on the history of the political system in Sudan. Conducting research on such topics has increased her passion for social justice, fixing broken systems and improving the quality of life for all. Having personally witnessed the underdevelopment and poor access to information in Africa and the Middle East, she has a passion for strengthening community knowledge by expanding the access and quality of information and improving economic, health and environmental reporting in order to supply vulnerable communities with the tools and material necessary to succeed.

Leena is a migration and displacement officer for Save the Children NGO.

Liljana Popovska - North Macedonia

As a former MP Liliana brings a vast experience to the Institute and Chairs some of our United Nations Panels as well as being active at all levels including our academic journals and our speeches.

She is also an expert on mining and the environmental implications and has taken part in many of our events on green tech and high tech and the impact of technology on well being.

GREEN ECONOMICS INSTITUTE TEAM IN 2023

Trustees and Advisors

Our team includes the following: Mrs Miriam Kennet (UK) CEO and leader on green economy, climate and biodiversity, CEO, Mrs Marlyn Lee – Hughes Deputy Chair, compliance lead and education committee, Ms. Sukriti Anand (India) CFO, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and Head of Research on the Green Economy and web master, Leena Ahmed (UK) Global Diplomacy Network Coordinator and web content master, Ms Bianca Madison-Vuleta, (UK, Denmark, Italy, Croatia) environment and health spokesperson and social media, Prof Maria Alejandra Madi (Brazil and Portugal), Michelle Gale, Mr Anjikwi Mshelbwana (Nigeria) IT expert, health, pandemic, development, and gender, and social justice spokesperson, Professor Ehtesham Abassi, (Oman and India) Education and Tutor, Chelangat Scholar (Kenya), Ana Nacvaite, (UK) Nouran Shallout, (UK and Egypt), Tasneem Sabry (UK and Egypt) Lucy Kagendo (Kenya), Liliana Popovska (North Macedonia), Dr Aaron Sternisky, (Austria), Hans Kare Flo (Norway). Ana Diaz (UK and Spain), Johana Alahazar, (Sweden and Eritrea), Rhianon Hawkins (UK), Asia Mohamed (Sudan), Professor Doaa Salmon, an economist from Cairo, Egypt, Merem Tahar Indigenous leader (Chad), Djana Bejko Minister (Albania).



GEI INSTITUTE POLICIES 2023

Risk Management, Risk Assessment and Risk Policies

To protect the health of those in the institute in the wake of the covid-19 pandemic, all the monthly team meetings, the weekly GEI meetings and our events and conferences have been held virtually over the online platform Zoom during times of COVID otherwise in person.

The Institute also undertook the process of recording, filing and updating all records, doing wills for officers, and ensuring that should the worst happen we have made provision for the Trust and Institute to be able to continue. We decided to make an on line file and paper file of all relevant paperwork, records archives of events, and contacts for this reason.

Any risks are discussed between the CEO and Chair of Trustees at the Monday meetings every week and also with the two Directors of GEI by telephone during every week. Additional particular risks are flagged up to other Executive Directors at special meetings and by email and the whole team meets by phone if there are special or extraordinary risks at any particular time.

These include currently: Publishing, Events Management, Education, accidental copyright infringement, turnover of key personnel.

We take out insurance wherever possible where it may help to mitigate risk. Insurance of continued service by main personnel and key personnel and sickness etc. We have the usual insurances required.

Investment Policy

We have a policy of no borrowing and no debt at all ever, we have never been overdrawn.

We do not invest the money of the Trust in anything except our work.

We check where sponsor money or fees come from and if we feel it is completely non commensurate with our values we politely thank the person for the offer but decline it- This does happen regularly but it has happened when a large multinational vehicle company approached us and we declined their kind offer to fund us. We believe it is the correct procedure whilst being mindful of the Charitable aim of ensuring there is enough money in the charity to carry out its purposes.

We maximize the income by claiming Giftaid and we try and fundraise as much as possible and choose our memberships as the main source of income. We reuse this money to enable our work to take place and to realise the aims of the charity, we do not try to invest any money and we have a weekly meeting to discuss any on going issues to safeguard as far as possible, the charity and its money and any assets. We tend on receiving money to spend it on events and education of the public in the fulfilment of the charity's aims.

Vulnerable Beneficiaries and Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults.

We have a policy of not having unaccompanied people under 18.

We have several senior team members who are police checked.

If younger people choose to attend our conferences we insist that they have a chaperone and we speak to their guardian to discuss arrangements before accepting their booking.

We try to have medically qualified personnel at all our major events and they actively participate in ensuring high standards of physical health and safety and we also have a qualified Occupational health specialist and an alternative medical health practitioner University trained to the highest level and also someone trained and qualified as a Medic – with experience of registrar level Accident and Emergency.

We also have a policy of attending regular training in vulnerability and safeguarding run by the local council. One of our Directors has training in the management of disability and special needs in children and adults. We attend regular safe guarding trainings in order to keep up to date with the latest methodology including doing regular safeguarding trainings, and mental health first aid accredited courses, we consult with our regular Psychiatrist - advisors every time we feel we need advise. We manage mental health issues regularly and are all trained in aspects of it. We take annual advise regularly about autistic spectrum issues from experts and we provide training in the autistic spectrum as our work attracts creative and innovative thinkers who are often on the spectrum right up to director level and we regard that as a strength. Also, the institute has always regarded neurodivergent team members as an essential element and a unique selling point. We have specialist national policymakers on disability of all kinds in our team. This year we've been particularly active in advocating for improvement in support for Cleft Palette people's journeys.

Environmental policies

With regard to climate change, we try to travel by overland means whenever possible taking the train rather than flying when travelling abroad. We support and campaign for more and safer walking and cycling routes and rail where appropriate. We also advocate for local services to be included in all building work so that car transport can be cut down to a minimum and we also support evolution to renewables in energy, heating, transport and housing etc. We are extremely active in promoting climate change prevention policies nationally and internationally as well as a sustainable economy. We have been active at director level in promoting train travel.

Our CEO Director took the no flight pledge many years ago and has not flown for several years preferring the train – including travel round Europe and campaigns for more and better trains and ticketing. If our staff have to drive they are encouraged to use smaller cars to transport our books and exhibition stands around if necessary. We also use Zoom wherever possible to avoid unnecessary travel.

Anti-bullying policies

We have a zero tolerance of bullying and we ask anyone guilty of that to leave. We have also attended anti bullying courses which provide a range of techniques for how to tackle it when it does occur.

Diversity policy and equal opportunities

We proactively manage diversity doing metrics for our journals and events and attempt at all times to have gender balance on our trust board, our members, our journal articles, our workers our administration, our trustees and our organisational management and we are known for our innovation and success in this area and advise other organisations how to follow our achievements.

We proactively seek out equal opportunities and campaign against the gender pay gap and our work and books in this area are held up as a beacon and we have won awards globally for our work on this. We also advocate gender budgeting etc.

Anti slavery policies

Our anti-slavery policy is on our website. We proactively ask where we think there may be slavery in the supply chain and we attempt to avoid it whenever and wherever we see it or think it might be present but we are aware that with global supply chains at present it is very likely to be present in plain sight and we look out for it and try to help where we can and campaign actively whenever we can and bring it to the attention of attendees at our events and trainings.

As part of this responsibility, we adhere to the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We have a zero tolerance for any suspicion of VISA scamming or modern slavery or exploitation, and this year we have been proactively taking advice from several NGO specialist groups to ensure this does not occur. We are working to ensure that there is sufficient transparency both within our organisation and within our supplier base.

We want our network members to feel confident that both our organisation and our business partners treat their employees fairly, with respect for their human rights.

We will not work with any organisation where there is any worry that they may be involved with either human trafficking or modern slavery without stating reasons. We will suspend any member pending any inquiry of this nature due to our zero tolerance policy should there be any worry in this area. Should there be any concerns we do not hesitate to go to the police.

Vegetarian and vegan policy

At our formal events we have a policy of providing $\frac{3}{4}$ vegetarian options and 25 % vegan options wherever we can as we believe that climate change is about 20% caused by livestock choices and is a quick win in carbon reduction. If people bring their own sandwiches we do not interfere but we feel we ought to lead by example in our own catering.

GDPR and Privacy

We abide by all the letter and spirit of the laws and how we would want to be treated. Our policy in detail can be found on our website.

Gender Pay Gap

We campaign against gender pay gaps and lead on this issue- we have an across the board policy for pay so everyone gets the same – regardless of gender or level of work.

HOW TO SUPPORT THE GREEN ECONOMICS INSTITUTE



Donate

There are many ways you can support the work of the Institute, whether it's through a single one-off donation or regular giving. Your donation is vital to our work striving for social and environmental justice. Giving through Gift Aid is a great way to make your donation go further. More information regarding Gift Aid can be found on page 48.



Become a Member

Membership includes dozens of benefits, including invitations to members' only networking events, invitations to contribute to high-level reports and high-impact publications, and more. Your annual membership subscription is your passport into the world of green economics academia, policy-making, campaigning, and business through our international network. If you have questions, contact us. info@geimembership.org.

BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Special preference for your writing submission in our extensive range of books, publications, and journals.
- We have our own publishing house and produce books on a wide range of topical subjects often with a high percentage of member's own writing. All our members are invited to apply to publish subject to editorial quality etc.
- Invitations to lecture at speaking engagements, at which we are always looking for innovative well-informed speakers.
- Preferential invitations to official launches and parliamentary and other events, openings, subject to public and legal rules governing such events.
- Eligibility to apply to sit on some of our committees and to participate in advising on the development of the Green Economics Institute.

Take part in our courses

We have about 25 residential and non residential students each year and provide them with a great start to their careers. We need teachers and lecturers, supervisors and anyone else who can impart life skills & knowledge to our visionary and innovative people who come from all walks of life, all ages for our Life Long Learning and Youth Programmes.

Everything from 1 Day Short Courses to 1,2, 3 and 6 month Residential Study Programmes and Internships, suitable for Erasmus Plus, and Youth in Action. We offer academic training programmes, publishing and writing courses with publishing included.

Professional Career Qualifications with letters after your name: Green Jobs and Careers Training Programmes. Undergraduate Programmes and combinations with your University and other Universities: Dissertation Supervision at all levels. Masters and PhD Programmes as well as Post Doctoral study and Research with us.

All our courses have an international focus and students from a range of backgrounds. Past students have included Leaders of the Arab Spring Children in Egypt, Traveller Students from Europe, Students from Korea, all parts of Asia, South America, Africa, China and Eastern Europe, officials from Kosovo, Bosnia and Serbia. Our Team and our students come from all walks of life, including People with Special Needs, Mental and Physical Challenges. We walk the talk. For details of our latest educational programmes:

Take Part in our Campaigns

Our campaigns are really dynamic, effective and have really changed the way the world works! We have an excellent track record!

- The Reform of Economics, Changing Economics, Rebalancing Economics, Reforming Finance, Reforming Banking
- Poverty Prevention and alleviation: Philosophy of Social Justice, Fair access to water, seas, rivers, land & resources
- Rolling back the tide Climate Change Renewables. COP: Wind, solar SMART. Business, Trade & TTIP
- Safe, organic, local, slow and wild seasonal food. Kinder farming. Ending 7th ever Mass Extinction. Animal welfare and protection.
- Ending War Against Women and Women's Unequal Pay & Poverty: Women in Bangladesh. Garment trade
- The Greening of the Global Economy, Italy, Greece, Eastern Europe, Green I.T. & Recycling

Volunteer

If you are not in a position to donate, we are always keen to welcome new volunteers. Whether it be helping update our website and social media, typesetting and editing our range of books, or helping run our events or campaigns, there are lots of ways to get involved.

Some words from some of our volunteers:

Bella

I started volunteering at the Green Economics Institute Trust in August 2020. I was drawn to the Institute in particular because they stressed the importance of an interdisciplinary approach to the climate crisis - acknowledging not only the importance of environmental conservation but also social and economic justice. Through my work with them, I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to learn from the many interesting and knowledgeable people in their network.

Volunteers and students at the GEI Trust are also encouraged to pursue their own passions and interests through their work with the Trust. New volunteers can expect not only to be part of a lively, close-knit team but to also have the chance to work on their own projects independently.

Giles

Having undertaken an undergraduate degree in Biochemistry at the University of Birmingham, I came to realise that my interests lay outside of the lab and I was more focussed on finding solutions to the most pressing issues facing society, such as averting the ecological destruction we are witnessing as well as maintaining a climate that supports our own human endeavours. My attention was drawn in particular to exploiting economics - the basis by which distribution, allocation and consumption are justified - to change human behaviours in such a way that a sustainable future is ensured. However useful economic models developed up to this point have been, they are anything but holistic, which drew me to the green economics ways of thinking and the Green Economics Institute that go beyond neo-liberal and neo-classical reasoning and incorporate a wide range of considerations and voices. Through volunteering at this friendly and welcoming Institute I hope to gain more exposure to people working in this area and ultimately progressing towards the common aim of a truly sustainable planet for all.

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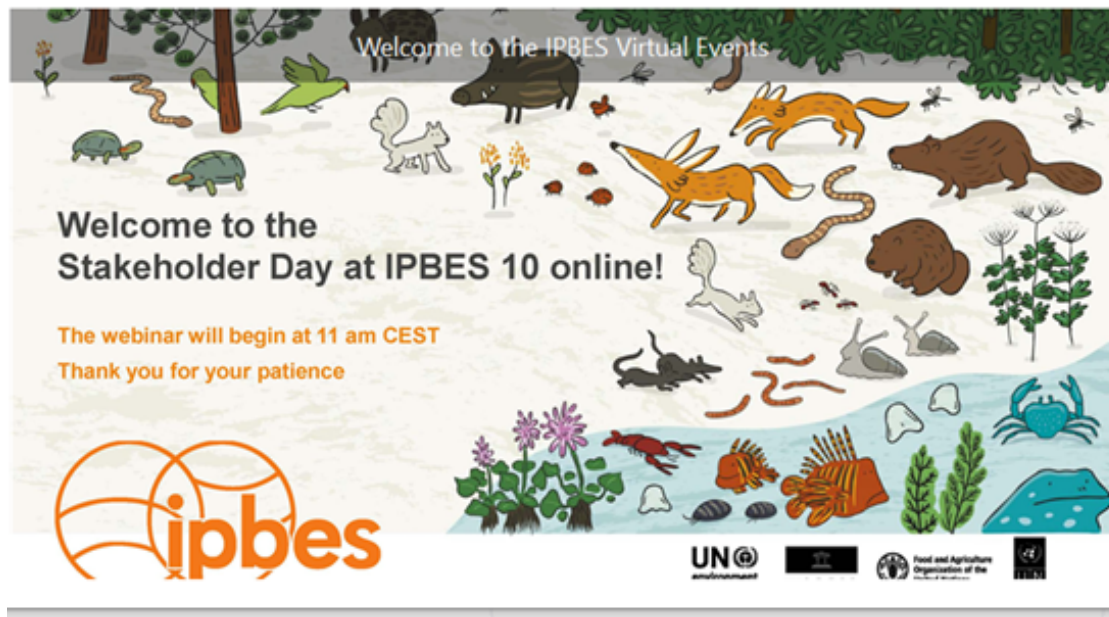
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