

Workshop symposium announcement /Call for Papers/ Bookings now open

**Green Economics Institute**

*Reclaiming Economics - for all people everywhere, other species, nature, planet and its systems*

**The Green Economics Institute presents 2 days scientific workshop symposium on:**

**Innovation, Philosophy, Scientific Realism and Methodology in Green Economics:  
Reworking the meaning of data, facts, truth and reality**

**18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> November 2011 – at the University of Oxford, UK**



**This workshop is a great opportunity to find out more about a new brand of economics - Green Economics - a better pathway to our future. Explaining mainstream, environmental, ecological economics – what are the differences?  
Worked examples! Discussion and Debate**

This 2 day event will take place at Oxford:

- Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> Day 1, 9:00 – 18:00 at Oxford University Club.

- Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Day 2, 9:00 – 18:00 at Mansfield College, University of Oxford.

These 2 venues are close to each other – just over the road from each other.

**Bookings are open now. Please enquire: registration fees and further details:**

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**All paid up delegates and attendees will receive Proceedings on arrival**

## **Introduction / Call for papers**

What is green economics? As a fast moving, visionary and topical field, it is always necessary to continue to ask this fundamental question. This is something orthodox economics fails to do, which has led to the distortion of its aims and its disjointedness within the real world. So what are the latest research findings and discussions on this topic?

The world has changed and Green Economics is an economics which is comfortable with long termism – equity, climate issues and biodiversity costs and poverty prevention – and has been waiting to take the mantle. Its time has now arrived.

Green economics views the current downturn as a clash between ecology and economy and argues that commodity instability is a symptom of the exhaustion of natural resources. Markets are correctly reflecting and indicating that traditional economic instruments and derivatives are no longer working. New methods of creating a natural economics of abundance need to be urgently developed.

Green Economics has also been termed ‘the economics of sharing’ as it addresses new forms of distribution, and also ‘the economics of doing’ as it is now a major player in many governments around the world in the race to become green. Green Economics and the green economy is the one ray of hope in ending the current economic downturn and setting trends for 21<sup>st</sup> century economics and provisioning over the century for the survival of everyone and everything on the planet.

Time has shown that economics as a separate discipline doesn’t work and doesn’t help to solve poverty, environmental degradation, biodiversity loss and inequality. Economics has to be concerned as a multidisciplinary social science. It’s time for new models, relating the human with the environment, including environmental degradation while evaluating economic

growth. Philosophical approaches to the relationship between environment and society suggest several innovative ways in which humans can manage their interactions with the environment.

It's time to find out where we are now! What can be done? How can it be done? What is the role of philosophy in green economics? In terms of the main failures the world is facing, what is the role of government, society and business in green economics? It's time for green consumption and green production – time to live in a green way, time to bring green economics into action. Certain economic instruments have to be used in order to implement green economics – the economics of doing. What situations do data and indicators show? What is the role of econometrics and how can it be used in discerning the main problems? Econometrics can help in discerning the main relationships between economics and the environment, and their impact on each other. It can also help to reveal numerous relationships which until now have remained unseen; and it could be the key to greening our lives, policies, the key for poverty prevention, biodiversity loss and environment degradation.

However, this view is not shared by all. In fact it can be argued that the patently empiricist basis of econometrics and its proven uselessness as a reality check on economic theory compared to the way that scientific realist approaches provide solid foundations for natural science is at least partially responsible for the persistence of the economic orthodoxy, despite its obvious failures. However, the use of scientific realism in the social sciences is complicated by the ontologically subjective nature of the social world. There is therefore an ongoing debate about the appropriateness of scientific realism in the social sciences. What would a scientific realist methodology look like in green economics? Realist biography is one such innovative approach under active development by the core team of the Green Economics Institute.

## **Aims**

Reclaiming Economics for all people everywhere, other species, nature, the planet and its systems. Reforming Economics, scientific conference with exciting innovations and developments in economics Contested methodologies in current economics disciplines and laying down the foundations for green economics methodology, data and research.

There will be workshops during which we will discuss and explore models and methodologies of Green Economics. Papers presented at this Conference will be published as a book – intended to be a guide for all those interested in green economics, as well as to be at the forefront of green economics development. This is a great opportunity to be involved in this global wave of change.

## **Suggested/possible invited topics for discussion (not exhaustive)/Call for paper on the following themes:**

- Scientific realism in green economics
- The importance of shared intentionality in green economics
- The role of econometrics in green economics
- Pluralism and green economics
- Specific examples being addressed include:
  - RIO+20: almost 20 years has passed from first RIO meeting in 1992;

- The Green Development Bank,
- Stakeholders and green economics;
- Austerity packages - more alienation - less public policy and investment in police-healthcare education;
- Risk and resilience of the economy local, regional, national, global in the face of climate change and species extinction;
- Increasing poverty, crop failures, hostile climates, refugees and diminishing marginal land and increasing famine;
- The economy in times of geopolitical instability;
- The future of the euro and euro zone;
- The role of major sovereign wealth funds;
- The future of the Greek economy; The future of Spain, Ireland and Portugal and scenario of downgrading of the US economy and France;
- The huge debt of the countries in the west;
- The rebuilding of Japan;
- Keynes versus Austerity: a debate
- Planning steps for and our delegation to the Kyoto Climate Conference, Durban, South Africa, Dec 2011.
- Planning for our delegation of The Green Economics Institute to the RIO+20 summit in June 2012



**Workshop at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Economics Institute, Green Economics Conference, 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2011 at University of Oxford**

## **Initial Workshop Speakers so far, all welcome:**

### **Dr Jeffrey David Turk PhD**

Jeff is a research fellow at the Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, where he does research on realist biography and European policy  
*Social theory, Realist biographical methods and particle physics, Interviewing environmental topics in EU, Existing Economics Textbooks*  
*Realist methods in Green Economics*

### **Kristina Jociute, Lithuania**

A macro-economist, member of the Association of Lithuanian Economists, member of The Green Economics Institute and member of Kaunas NGO "Economists" in Lithuania. Kristina is the Executive Editor of The International Journal of Green Economics, also manager of The Green Economics Institute. She studied at the University degli Studi di Trento in Italy and Vytautas Magnus University in Lithuania. She published articles on economic topicalities for Lithuanian weekly "Atgimimas".  
*Methodology in economics: Human Green Being and eco-taxes as a tool. Lithuanian green economics: its development and issues.*

### **David Bholat, UK**

Bank of England, London School of Economics, Distinguished Fullbright Scholar and lecturer at the University of Chicago. David graduated from Georgetown's School of Foreign Service with highest honors in 2004. David's research interests are two-fold. First, he is interested in the historical evolution of the concept of liquidity within London clearing banks and its relation to changing categories of money in British political economy. Second, his research explores how the current debate around the nationalization-privatization of Northern Rock expresses a deeper cultural contest over the boundaries between the alienable and inalienable dimensions of property ownership. David's past honors include grants from the National Science Foundation, the State of Illinois, and the Coca-Cola Foundation, as well as research positions at UCLA and the Library of Congress.  
*Abstraction and the Opacity of the Observable*

### **Professor Graciela Chichilnisky**

Graciela Chichilnisky is the author of the carbon market of the UN Kyoto Protocol that became international law in 2005. She also created the concept of Basic Needs voted by 153 nations at the 1993 UN Earth Summit to be the cornerstone of Sustainable Development, and in 1996 created the formal theory of Sustainable Development that is used worldwide. Chichilnisky is a world renowned economist and mathematician that the Washington Post calls an "A-List Star" and appeared in the 2009 Time Magazine on "Heroes of the Environment". Chichilnisky acted as a US Lead Author of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which received the 2007 Nobel Prize. A special adviser to several UN organizations, heads of state and US Congress, her pioneering work uses innovative market mechanisms to reduce carbon emissions, conserve biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Chichilnisky has a Masters and a PhD in Mathematics from MIT and UC Berkeley and a second PhD in Economics from UC Berkeley. She has taught at Harvard University, Stanford

and Columbia University. Dr. Chichilnisky is a Professor of Economics and Mathematical Statistics at Columbia University, Director of Columbia Consortium for Risk Management (CCRM) (<http://columbiariskmanagement.org>), a former Senator and UNESCO Chair in Mathematics and Economics at Columbia University.

**Alistair Milne, UK**

Loughborough School of Business and Economics

Using 'Cap and Trade' to Contain Systemic Financial Risk

Professor of financial economics, with interests in banking. Previously at Cass Business School, City University of London and has also held positions at the Bank of England, the University of Surrey, London Business School, HM Treasury and the national statistics office of Malawi.

In recent years his principal research has been on bank balance sheet management and regulation, and its relationship to banking performance, monetary transmission and financial stability; and on the network economics of financial infrastructure, including retail payments and securities and derivatives clearing and settlement. He has also worked on a variety of other issues in financial risk management, liquidity risk, central banking, financial regulation, housing markets, development finance and macroeconomics. He is the author of *The Fall of the House of Credit* (Cambridge University Press, July 2009) which is a comprehensive single volume account of all different dimensions of the global financial crisis and has been a regular media commentator on the crisis and the response by policy makers. He is also a frequent speaker at policy and industry conferences.

Since 2005 Alistair has been an annual research visitor at the Monetary Policy and Research Department of the Bank of Finland. He has been a consultant to the Houses of Parliament, the Financial Services Authority, the European Commission, and to several private sector institutions and trade bodies.

**Professor Jack Reardon, USA**

Jack is a professor in the School of Business, Hamline University, USA. Research Interests: Economics Education, Energy and the Environment, Poverty and Unemployment. Founding Editor of the *International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education*. He is an economist and very active in Developing Green Economics as a discipline.

Principles of economics, nuclear and energy importance in economics. Experience and structure of teaching economics, methodology in economics

**Dr. Natalie West Kharkongor, India**

An Assistant Professor of Economics at IIM Shillong. Dr. Natalie received the Broad Outlook Learner Teacher Award from the Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh on 24th Nov 2004. She also received the Rashtriya Gaurav Award with Certificate of Excellence on the 16th July 2011 in New Delhi. She has presented and published a number of papers related to Banking and Finance, Entrepreneurship, Agriculture, Industry, Higher Education, Water Management, Women Empowerment and others. She was the Joint Secretary of North Eastern Economic Association and the Vice President of Meghalaya Economic Association. In addition, she is the Resource Person and Consultant of various NGOs and Societies. She has been an active promoter of Self Help Groups and Entrepreneurial activities and a Conciliator of Lok Adalats.

*Application of green economics in business: methods and tools.*

**Miriam Kennet, UK**

Miriam is Co-Founder and Director of the Green Economics Institute and the founder and editor of the International Journal of Green Economics. She is Editor of the Green Economics series of books. She is a member of the Environmental Change Institute, Oxford University and of Mansfield College. Currently nominated for the One World Action NGO prize for most powerful global unseen woman.

*Concept of Green Economics, Development of Green Economics*

**Dr. Ioana Negru**

Anglia Ruskin University Cambridge. Her areas of expertise includes: Philosophy of Economics and Economic Methodology, Economics of Altruism and Philanthropy, Pluralism, Institutional Economics, Economics of Gift and Corruption, The Methodology of Austrian Economics, Economics of Land, Sustainable Development, Ecology, Environment and Heterodox Economics, Transition Economies.

*Pluralism and the Heterodox Economics Umbrella*

**Dr. Mark Robbins, UK**

VRW@IBERS Aberystwyth

*They shoot sheep don't they? Landscape transition in a green economy, livestock and progress towards a low carbon Wales*

**Dr. Nane Grimot, Nigeria**

Department of Social and Policy Studies, London South Bank University. His core research interest is development economics and primarily he specializes in corruption and institutions.

He also works on topics in green economics, energy policy and power.

*Innovation, Methodology and Philosophy in Green Economics. Lost women role in economics. Women - Stimulus - Austerity - Job Cuts; The Economics Crisis.*

**Monowaruz Zaman, Canada**

A passionate thinker in theoretical economics and development economics. He is an MBA and he has got immense interest in economics since his undergraduate study in engineering.. He is the author of numerous journal articles, papers and proceedings. He has received three international awards. He is the founder of proposed "Greenhouse Care Economics Foundation" in Canada.

*"Economics of Information Biasing": Real Income to Contribution Ratio (RICR)-A New Measure of Poverty*

**Rohini Tendulkar, UK**

University of Oxford, Member of the Environmental Change and Management Institute (ECI)

*Energy and exergy accounting analysis. A new way to measure the 'energy' flows in a system coming from renewable sources such as the sun, natural storage such as aquifers and embodied energy in green space. It also includes energy used to 'materialise' goods and services flowing in and out of a system. From here indices can be calculated relating to the economic dimension of a system.*

*Transitioning the city: How alternate conceptualisations of energy flows in cities can move us towards sustainability and a green economy.*

**Clive Lord**

Author of Citizens' Income and several books. Founder of the Green Party of England and Wales. Inventor of the citizens' income.

**Michelle S. Gale de Oliveira', Brazil, USA, UK**

Director of the Green Economics Institute. She will address the conference using skype from Brazil. Her special interests include gender and human rights law and land rights which she will explore in her speech at the conference. She writes books chapters, journal articles, editing and giving speeches around the world on behalf of the Green Economics Institute. She represented the Institute at the AOSIS Association of Small Island States launch at the United Nations in New York and gave a lecture at the American University in Skopje in FYRO Macedonia as well as lecturing in Berlin. She Will head our delegation to RIO +20 inBrazil June 2012.

**Amana Winchester, UK**

Formerly a parish councillor, primary school teacher, Geography & Anthropology UCL  
*Cycling enthusiast and qualified Bikeability instructor – will offer cycling lessons during the conference – Bring your Bike!*

*Sustainable lifestyles and the importance of geography to green economics*

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Papers will also be considered for inclusion in a special book in our book series The Green Economics Handbooks © to mark the event, and in our book series with Ashgate Academic Press and Gower Management Publishers.

**Papers submission deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2011.**

### **Registration and fees:**

- **£100.00** for one day for individual admission per person, for Master students, older people and Phd students.
- **£70.00** for one day for undergraduate students.
- **£105.00** for one day per person for organizations, companies and universities and anyone paying via an invoice or requiring an invoice in all cases. Please email and we will send you an invoice.
- **£300 Open Book Exam.** To include conference attendance and all dinners, with Green Economist letters after name if successful. Must attend full conference. Must pre - register and pre – pay. Please send for further particulars £300. Open book examination will be run at Conference. Must be pre- booked for examination room to be provided.

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**Speakers:** are invited for this event and all speakers will be asked to contribute to the event by paying the relevant fee.

Lunch and dinner on cash basis.

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**INTENDED TIMETABLE**

1st day 18 <sup>th</sup> November, 2011 At Oxford University Club	
9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 9:50	Introduction to the event
9:50 –13:00	Presentations (call for papers)
13:00 -14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:45	Workshop I:
15:45 – 16:15	Tea Break
16:15 -18:00	Workshop II:
18.30	Dinner on cash basis
2nd day 19 <sup>th</sup> November, 2011 At Mansfield College, Oxford	
9:00 – 9:20	Introduction to the day
9:20 – 11:00	Presentations (call for papers):
11:00 -11:20	Tea break
11:20 – 13:00	Presentations (call for papers):

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 17:00	Workshop:
17:00 – 17:30	Next steps. Special issue and book on methodology of Green Economics
17:30- 18:00	Feedback on the event
18:30	Dinner on cash basis

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