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## **TIMETABLE and BOOKING FORM**

The Green Economics Institute presents

# **Empowering Women: Women's economics, women's poverty and the impact of unequal pay and unequal opportunity. Empowering people**

**Solutions to the credit crunch Workshops**

**Cracking the Concrete Ceiling for women at Work and at Pay Conference:**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2009 10 am till 6 pm with communal dinner afterwards.  
Reading International Solidarity Centre, RISC, Reading International Solidarity  
Centre, Reading, 35-39 London Street, Reading  
RG1 4PS Berkshire UK  
10 minutes walk from the train station**

***Below- Women's Equal Pay Poster on the side of the European Commission  
Building in Brussels  
"Is our work valued the same?"***





Green Economics working for women in Bangladesh  
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Green Economics working for empowerment in Norway with Hanna Marcussen Green  
Economics Institute Norway

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admission fees etc and catering

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This week is International Women's Week.

## Timetable

Room Time	Foyer	Main Hall 9.30am -6.00 pm	Stones room 1.00 pm -6 pm
9.00-9.30	Welcome tea and networking		
9.30-10.00	Tea and coffee	Registration Paul Kennet	Setting up stalls
10.00 - 11.00	Political economy changes needed:	<i>Christine Haswell Public Services Union PCS Pay related issues officer</i> Involved in the crafting of the Equal Pay Code of Practise 'The Gender Pay Gap and how a Green Economy can bring Equality'  <i>Dr Grimot Nane</i> Lecturer University of South Bank Advisory Board Green Economics Institute Specialist in Nigeria Women's Pay	
11.00-12.00	The need for change The process of empowering women	<i>Dr Wendy Olsen Manchester University Socio Economic Research</i> Moral economy analysis of the gender pay gap  <i>Clare Cochran</i> Women's Budget Group - Co- Author Women and Poverty The Womens Budget Group Sex power, money- learning from feminism	
12.00-1.00	Practical implications, policies and regimes	A Basic income for all <i>Cllr Dr Maria Iacovou</i> University of Essex  <i>Sue England LL.B, M.A.</i> <i>Edinburgh University</i> Women and the future of our pension's systems.	
13.00-14.00	Lunch	Canapes from Vincent Charles at Organic Buffet Lunch from Volker Heinemann	
14.00-15.00	Economics issues and solutions in action	Less developed / developing countries synergy with other women  Women in Nigeria <i>Jo Chukwu</i> Deputy Registrar in the	Aspects of empowerment  <i>Sophie Christopher Bowes</i> our hang ups with money Money energy for women

		<p>State Capital of Enugu Nigeria</p> <p><i>Naomi Mcauliffe</i> Amnesty Poverty Campaign Manager talking about her work on poverty and particularly maternal mortality.</p> <p><i>Holly Snape</i> Rural women migrant workers in China and recently established NGOs</p>	<p><i>Sarah Turnbull</i> Domestic Property Services Reading Based Energy Performance Certificates for rented property and commercial property and Registered HIPS officer Home information Packs</p>
15.00-15.45	Practical aspects of women's experiences workshops	<p>Practical aspects of women's experiences workshops</p> <p><i>Helen Clegg</i> <i>Director of Knowledge Management AT Kearney</i> Cambridge University Programme for Sustainable Solutions</p> <p><i>Miriam Kennet</i> Green Economics Institute Director The facts and figures and what needs to change Green Economics Practical Changes Political, business, civil society and academia, The four pillars of women's empowerment and green economics</p>	<p><i>Alice Elliott of Alice Designs</i> How to create powerful campaigns</p> <p>Empowering your marketing message</p> <p><i>How to effectively combine design and marketing With leaflet or postcard campaigns</i> <i>That not only look good, But successfully bring in business as well</i></p>
15.45-16.00		Tea break	
16.00-16.30	<p>Women in the green political movement</p> <p>Women and economic and institutional empowerment</p>	<p><i>Jenny Wardle</i> Change Forum Take your power back in the recession <b>Support change in economic and financial systems. organisations and leadership</b></p> <p>Be the leader that's in all of us! Jenny is a change catalyst, and NLPt / CBT psychotherapist in public and private sector blue-chip multi-nationals and SMEs.</p>	<p><i>Michele Gale</i> Richmond University USA Chicago International relations and women's empowerment institutional change needed in the UN</p> <p><i>Jennifer Goldstein LSE</i> The ways that the combination of climate change, and residual gender roles result in worse implications for women, the biggest example being Dafur</p>
16.30-17.30	Practical empowerment methods and examples	<p><i>Natalie Bennett</i> <i>Editor The Guardian Weekly Newspaper, Uk and Australia</i> "The role of women in the Green movement"</p> <p><i>Niamh Beirne Ireland</i></p>	<p><i>Adrienne Barnett</i> UK and Southern Africa Barrister, Author and Lecturer specialising in Family Law cases and women's cases</p> <p>Legal practicalities of empowerment</p> <p><i>Bill Montague</i> Senior Partner in Dexter</p>

		<p>Power Balance A need for Feminine Politics</p>	<p>Montague Partners a family solicitors firm based in Reading Author of legal aid manuals. Legal aid policy development specialist and author Discusses empowerment and avoiding legal mistakes for all of us Using the law and ensuring we use contracts to empower ourselves and to prevent future difficulties in everyday situations</p>
-17.30-18.00	Making our voices heard	<p><i>Panel Discussion</i> What needs to change- next steps of our campaign <i>Miriam Kennet, Adrienne Barnet, Helen Clegg, Natalie Bennett, Michele Gale,</i> The Green Economics Institute and writing and publishing Our contributed volume for Gower Management Books The costs to the economy and business of women's unequal pay and opportunity.</p> <p>Closing Session and Next steps planning our book, our journal and pressing for change, in government, in practice, in business, in academia and in politics Our common message statement</p>	
18.00		Close of conference	
18.00-22.00		18.00-22.00	Communal supper in Nepalese Curry House Kukhuru over the road

**Clare Cochrane**

Sex, power and money: learning from feminism

Clare Cochrane is a co-chair of the Women's Budget Group, which campaigns on the fair allocation of resources through government expenditure. She has been an active grassroots feminist since her teens. Clare works on UK anti-poverty policy, focusing on attitudes to poverty, and climate change and UK poverty.

How women's budgeting is necessary for sustainability to occur.

Clare talks about her recent House of Commons Launch of the Women and Poverty Experiences, empowerment and engagement report by the Women's Budget Group

**Dr Grimot Nane**

South Bank University, London  
specialist in Economics and Nigeria  
Talks about Women's Pay

**Naomi McAuliffe**

Manager Amnesty International Poverty Campaign  
speaks about her work and maternal mortality

**Dr Wendy Olsen**

Senior Lecturer in Socio-Economic Research  
Cathie Marsh Centre for Census & Survey Research  
and Inst. for Development Policy and Management

Univ. of Manchester  
Manchester M13 9PL  
'the moral economy analysis of gender pay gaps'.

**Christine Haswell**  
**Equal pay and green economics**  
PCS

Public and Commercial Services Union  
Pay related issues Trade Union officer  
formerly Equal Opportunities Commission and involved in the drafting of the Equal Pay Code of Practice

**Dr Maret Meritsaar MP (being confirmed)**  
Green Economics Institute Estonia  
Green MP Estonia

An overview on the rebirth of women's NGOs and Unions after regaining Independence.  
Present day organisations are reviving the historic organisations from the First Estonian  
Republic (1918-40).

Biologist and specialist in Green Energy issues for the Baltics  
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**Cllr Dr Maria Iacovou**

University of Essex Institute for Social and Economic Research

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"A basic income for all"

**Dr Sue England**  
Scotland

Edinburgh University, Public Policy

Present political and economic trends pushing for less redistribution in provision of retirement funding,  
reducing women's security in old age, an important aspect of a social system that makes a sharp division  
between paid and unpaid work. Decisions affecting our policies on old age, forced by the financial crisis and  
depression, are being made very rapidly at present

**Miriam Kennet**

Director of the Green Economics Institute, and Founder and Editor International Journal of Green  
Economics, with academic publishers Inderscience,

Editor Green Economics and Sustainable Growth Series, Ashgate Academic Publisher and Gower  
Management Books. Miriam is currently writing a book on women's work. She is also at Environmental  
Change Institute, Oxford University and Member of Mansfield College, Oxford University.

She is a founder member of the Economics Policy working group of European Greens Lecturer in  
Environmental Economics at Birkbeck College, London University, and Schumacher College Think Tank on  
Equity, Economics and Environment. Recent lectures include Berlin, Alicante University, Bath University,  
Birkbeck College London University, Cambridge University and Oxford University, the French Senat, and the  
Austrian Parliament and in the Cabinet Office

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**Alice Elliott from Alice Designs**  
**Local Reading Business**

Empowering your message  
how to create effective and powerful campaigns  
how to communicate and get your message across clearly in print and in leaflets  
Green stationery

**Jenny Wardle**

The Change Forum

Jenny is a change catalyst, organisational development specialist, executive coach and NLPt / CBT psychotherapist working with corporates and SMEs and also runs a thriving psychotherapy practice, is an ex-committee member of her local IoD and CIPD

branches, ex-Board member of the NLPtCA and is a fellow of the RSA and ASP.

**Holly Snape**

**Bristol University researching with Yang Chen, Green Economics Institute Editorial Board**

The problems facing rural to urban female migrant workers following China's 'opening and reform', and the potential for providing support and promoting the empowerment of these women through recently established small NGOs.

**Helen Clegg**

Director of Knowledge Management

Procurement and Analytical Solutions

A.T. Kearney

and Cambridge University Sustainable Solutions

Programme for Industry

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**Natalie Bennett**

Editor Guardian Weekly, specialist in women's issues and unequal pay, UK, Australia and Thailand  
international Journal of Green Economics Editorial Board  
Women in the green movement

**Jennifer Goldstein**

**Human Rights and Climate Change: how women's rights, economic rights and environmental rights intersect,**

How climate change partially caused and exacerbated situations like the Rwandan genocide and the current situation in Darfur, and how in those and similar situations, women bear the brunt of the violence due to gender roles- for example, women in refugee camps in Darfur are still expected to do the cooking and collecting of firewood, despite the fact that this puts them at risk for rape, and the deforestation around refugee camps from firewood collecting only exacerbates desertification which was a cause of the violence in the first place.

**Sarah Turnbull**

Domestic Property Services

Reading Based

Energy Performance Certificates for rented property  
and commercial property

and

Registered HIPS officer

Home information Packs

**Niamh Beirne**

Federation of European Young Greens

Ireland

Social Scientist

Social Scientist & Creative Eco-Motivator

**Jo Chukwu (Nigeria)**

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Deputy Registrar, in the Federal Judiciary Ministry in the State Capital of Enugu, State of Nigeria and

the federal judiciary parastertals in Enugu state and monitor movements of documentation in and out of the court rooms and with research that about best practice within the Federal and State Justice systems.

Women need to have their voice heard. We need to educate ourselves about our environment and what we need to do to make it safe for us and our children. We need to start to educate ourselves about the mistakes that we make in our homes and work places which affect our life. We need to understand how the environment in which we are affect our lives. We also need to get involved with the global economic affairs so that we do not sink in the ocean due to our lack of knowledge

**Adrienne Barnett (Afternoon only)**

Family Barrister and activist in the ANC in South Africa, founder of a children's nursery for working mothers in Kwazulu Natal,  
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**William Montague Senior Partner Montague Dexters Partners**

Author and advisor on Legal Aid Policy Development  
Local Legal Partnership Senior Partner,with experience of advising Womens Aid groups locallly  
Talks about how to ensure you avoid legal pitfalls and that you have covered aspects of your personal empowerment in your life  
Also violence against women the legal aspects

**Michelle Gale**

Green Economics Institute, Richmond University UK, and Chicago USA, speaks about International Relations and International Institutions, such as the UN and the importance of empowerment of women and the current biodiversity TEEB Project about the costs to women of biodiversity loss and the role of women in the economy in preventing it.

**Sophie Christopher-BowesDip, TCPA, BESA, RETA, PA,**

Eco Architecture Planning and Permaculture Design Consultants,  
Money Energy for Women:Relationships and our hang ups about money

(The programme above is fixed, however we reserve the right to amend, only if unavoidable, and to add or remove speakers according to unforeseen speaker commitments and opportunities)

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