

Call for Participants

The Green Economics Institute

Saving Europe: Creating an Ethic of Europe, a feeling of belonging and citizenship for the 21st and 22nd centuries

1 Day Conference to be held at
The European Parliament Information Office
Europe House, 32 Smith Square, London SW1P 3EU

on January 31st 2014 10.30 - 17.00

The Greening of Europe Economy and Philosophy



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With Distinctive Contributions from around Europe

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European Citizens learning to embrace each other and valuing each others diversity
All participants are invited to also submit papers into a special issue Europe issue of our academic
double blind peer reviewed journal *International Journal of Green Economics*.



In this year of European Elections people are feeling lost. It has been said that the Euro is a currency without a state behind it. There are laws but no common ethic or standards.

Citizenship is not based on common goals or philosophy. Many countries are considering Referenda and anti european feeling is being exploited by the extreme right wing. There is a malaise around Europe and its progressive nature and effects are getting lost and forgotten amidst all the complaints. Slowly people and organisations are bravely standing up and saying how beneficial and important it really is.

At the other end of the spectrum we have the spectre of the largest ever trading block being proposed between the EU and the USA, which on the face of it might look good. But analysts believe its main objective is actually to lower social and environmental standards by eliminating any competition or diversity. This would suit power elites and large companies Exactly the opposite of what we need to meet the considerable challenges of global environmental change.

This conference and the books we are producing start to tackle some of these issues and being the long process of creating a feeling of citizenship and belonging without upsetting peoples' very real need for their own distinctive identity. It also focuses on the contribution green ideas are making to the Europe of the future.

Whats happened to Democracy in the seat of its origin?

The Green Economics Institute has found that these issues are occupying many contemporary minds today as they struggle to come to terms with a changed world view and a challenge of how the future will be.

Past predictions may no longer be valid and long held assumptions about the nature of reality, ethics, economics and philosophy may have to change. People report feelings of alienation from our "globalised village", despair about global power elites hogging all the power and all the money and influence and the inequalities get greater and greater.

We revisit ancient philosophy and also contemporary ideas and invite all participants to contribute with their ideas, papers, perspectives to make a fascinating conference.

	Initial Conference Themes
	Introductory Session Where is Europe now and what is its future?with the RT Hon Jean Lambert MEP
	Where is green economics and what plans can we make together for 2014?with Miriam

	Kennet
	What is the state of the economy and what plans do we need to make to change it or improve it? with Miriam Kennet and Sofia Amaral
	Introductory Panel Debate : The Changing Faces of Europe all participants and some keynote speakers Contemporary European Dilemmas and the Crisis Citizenship, Green Jobs, Green New Deal, International Trade Agreements, Inequalities, Unemployment, climate change, energy, NGOs perspectives Pan European Institutions, ENOP, EU, GEF, EGP Competition from the BRICS and MINTS
	Towards an Ethic and Philosophy and a feeling of belonging and citizenship for Europe A debate with all participants
	Eastern Europe Led by Professor Dzintra Atstaja (Latvia) and Dr Sandra Gusta via skype Soviet Union and trading blocks, caught between East and West The Balkans
	The Green Economics Institute Advisory Committee members debate the opportunities for change and how to implement them in 2014. Led by Peter Lang. Author and founder of Green and Away Holidays
	Lunch (please note catering is not included and there are lots of cafes close by to fetch sandwiches and drinks)
	Western Europe/Referendum Social Europe, Biodiversity, Education, Health, Transport, Green Jobs, Workers Migration, population, new workers, Global Environmental Change, Institutional Governance and Climate Change
	Mediterranean and Southern Europe Democracy, the crisis, banking Speakers from Greece, Malta, Spain and many others
	Nordics and Scandinavia Energy, oil economies, arctic issues, ice, water, HEP, Health, migration, benefits, citizens income
	Central Europe COP19, Austria, Germany, Poland, Energy, Industry
	Address by Jean Lambert MEP for London Region (being confirmed) Next steps, summary recommendations and plans for work in 2014

**This timetable is suitable for CPD Continuous Professional Development
It will be developed as more speakers come on board**

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Invited speakers and writers in our books still confirming:

Jean Lambert
MEP for London

Dr Jeff Turk PhD

Author and editor of a new book on Social Europe

Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts in Slovenia.

Academic interests include in Economic and social committee Ecosoc. Social security, social protection, Slovenia, social exclusion, Belgium and sustainability

Jeffrey David Turk earned a PhD in particle physics from Yale (1994). After working as a postdoctoral researcher with the University of Wisconsin group at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics (CERN), he earned an MA in Transition Economics from the Central European University in Budapest, Hungary (1997) and then a DPhil in Contemporary European Studies (2003) from the University of Sussex, where he helped coordinate a research collaboration studying the buyer-supplier relations of companies in Slovenia and Hungary. He is now a Research Fellow and coordinator for international cooperation at the Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences. He initiated and is one of the lead partners in the research project Habitus of the Slovene Entrepreneur between 1960 and 1990. Post-communist transitions, biographical methods and methodological issues in the social and physical sciences. Realist biography and European policy."

Peter Barnet

Green Policy Maker

Bianca Madison - Vuleta

Bianca is highly trained and experienced in the areas of holistic, ecological and sustainable living. For the last fifteen years, Bianca has been actively involved in the work of numerous national and international human rights and environmental NGOs as a committed and inspired campaigner, fundraiser and public speaker. She is the Co- founder of The Sustainable Planet Foundation. A passionate humanitarian and environmentalist, Bianca works tirelessly to be the change in the world.

Clive Lord

The Citizens Income and the Green Economy moving into the mainstream

Henry Cox

**Long time food campaigner and home gardener
and green economist**

Don O'Neil, UK

Don has a BSc(Hons) in Mathematics and an MA in Environmentalism and Society.

He has been the Oxfordshire Greens Treasurer from September 2000 to date and is a political columnist for The News, a St. Vincent and the Grenadines national newspaper

Overcoming poverty issues using Green Economics

Miriam Kennet

Kennet has just co edited several books on ethics, philosophy and economics and has just visited Athens to explore further how ideas are all connected. She has taught at many universities around the world, spoken at several international conferences and published a multitude of academic papers. She is a founding member of the Green European Foundation based in Luxembourg and on the Assembly of the European Network of Political Foundations based in

Brussels. Recent volumes include: The Greening of Eastern Europe, the Greening of the Mediterranean and The Greening of Europe.

She has made speeches and workshops on Green Economics in several European countries, including Switzerland, Belgium, Germany, Poland, France, United Kingdom and Spain, and has taught, trained and lectured most recently at Oxford University, Bath University, Cambridge University, Birkbeck College, London University, Slubice University Poland, Frankfurt am Oder and European University Germany ,Alicante,Spain among others

She has attended a multitude of important events and conferences as a guest speaker. Kennet gave a speech at the UK Parliament on Green IT and "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair". She teaches Sustainable Development to UK Government Departments as part of the National Government School. Kennet also attended the COP 15 Copenhagen Kyoto Conference on Climate Change as part of her international delegation involved in developing a green economic analysis of climate change policies and has her own delegation to the Kyoto Protocol COP Process Conferences.

Kennet has been published in the Harvard School Economics Review, the "International Journal of Green Economics" Kennet has also been a guest speaker on BBC Radio and has been featured of programmes including Wake up to Money programme. In 2011, the BBC broadcast a radio programme on Kennet's life and work

She was named by One World Action Charity, as one of 100 most powerful women in the world creating change. Miriam will speak on Saving Europe: Creating an Ethic of Europe, feeling of belonging and citizenship for the 21st and 22nd centuries. She will also give a report of progress in green economics over the last few years.

and other exciting speakers from all around the world

Authors' Writing- Book, Proceedings, and Reports

All participants will be given the opportunity to contribute to our new books,

The Greening of the European Economy and Philosophy

The Philosophical Basis of the Green Movement

The Greening of Eastern Europe

The Greening of the Eastern European Economy Professor Dzintra Astaja

The Greening of the Mediterranean

The Philosophical Basis of the Green ideas in Europe

The Greening of Austria

All Participants are invited and encouraged to contribute Papers *for our Books* on the *Greening of Europe*, The *Greening of Greece* and the *Greening of the Mediterranean*. Papers must be submitted in .odt or .doc format, fully referenced and may contain up to 4 pictures or diagrams per paper. It should contain a 5 line biography about your professional interests and experience.

Our Book chapters are highly sought after and encouraged, so please ask if your idea is suitable. They should be between 1000 and 4000 words.

This event is free of charge but must be pre- booked and reserved by emailing greenecomicsinstitute@yahoo.com

Registration

The conference must be pre booked.. please email us to express your interest. We hope to create a further book as a result of the conference and look forward to your participation.

Please send expressions of interest and requests to speak to
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and greenecomicevents1@yahoo.co.uk

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A Green Economy, a world of two tonnes of carbon each.
Green Economics for the 21st and 22nd Centuries

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