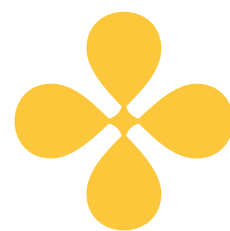




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We are passionately advocating and working tirelessly to raise awareness, educate, mitigate and roll back the tide of runaway climate change, reverse biodiversity and habitat loss, and create an economy which is beneficial for all people in the world, especially women, minorities, and other species, nature, the planet and its systems.

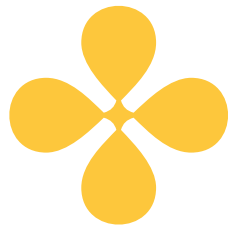
An economy of growth as in nature- that means nature flourishing, not using corporate politics as an excuse to destroy natural habitats, or perpetuate wars in the name of progress.

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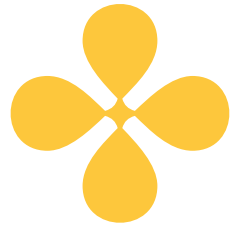
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Thank you so much for your well wishing for our 22nd anniversary and looking forward to another 22 years at this crucial time in human history.

Bianca Madison- Vuleta Trustee & Vice President



Keynote speakers for the 22nd Annual Conference



Baroness Natalie Bennett of Manor Castle

Member of the House of Lords and former Leader of the Green Party of England and Wales; leading advocate for environmental justice, climate action and green economics.



Lynne Franks OBE

Founder of SEED (Sustainable Enterprise and Empowerment Dynamics); pioneering campaigner for women's leadership, sustainable business and social entrepreneurship.



Rt Hon Craig Simmons MBE

Co-founder of Best Foot Forward and former Mayor of Oxford; internationally recognised expert in carbon footprinting, ecological accounting and sustainability.



Councillor Jenny Pattinson

Chief Executive of Hammerson House and local councillor with extensive leadership experience in health, social care and community services. Board Member of Care England



Antara Annemarie Borg

Founder of the Antara Project; lawyer, opera singer and environmental advocate whose work brings together conservation, the arts and marine protection.



Gillian Haggarty

Independent Chair of the North Wessex Downs National Landscape Council of Partners. A food scientist with extensive experience in the global food industry, having held senior roles in agriculture, sustainability, procurement and product innovation.



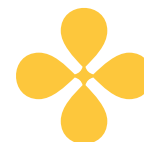
Professor Doaa Salman

Professor of Financial Economics at MSA University in Greater Cairo, specialising in sustainable development, environmental economics and inclusive growth.



Councillor Sushila Dhall

Sushila has been a campaigner in Oxford for over 30 years, including serving as a Green for 9 years on Oxfordshire County and 5 years on Oxford City Council, and being the country's first County Green Group Leader. In the latter role she created the first ever Green County budget with Caroline Lucas, showing how Green policies can be underpinned by sound financial planning. Her main areas of action are human rights and greening transport.



Dr Liljana Popovska

Former Member of Parliament for North Macedonia and expert in mining, water management, biodiversity and environmental policy.



Dr Aaron Sterniczky

Austria/Germany. Professor of Finance and Sustainability specialising in sustainable finance, ESG and responsible investment and the Hochschule University in Berlin

Re-igniting Hope for Humanity: 22 Years of Green Economics Author of Green Economics Report July 2026



Emma Maria Rossi

Young People's Voice in Socio-Ecological Economics and Policy at WU, Vienna. Her broader interest is in what a sustainable and socially just alternative to growth-based economics would look like.

Directors



Miriam Kennet

Founder of the Green Economics Institute, Founder of the Green Economics Institute and Editor and founder of the International Journal of Green Economics, Co Founder of ENOP and Co Founder of the Green European Foundation and leader and focal point for the GEIs climate, biodiversity & ecosystems, finance for development, and climate finance United Nations Delegations.



Bianca Madison-Vuleta, PhD hc

Health, wellbeing and sustainability specialist working internationally to promote resilient communities and holistic wellbeing.



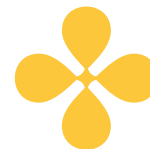
Anjikwi Mshelbwalla

Nigerian IT specialist and human rights advocate focusing on women's and girls' safety, technology and digital inclusion.



Participants

- **Professor Ehtisham Abbassi:** Finance professor, Green Economics Institute and academic specialising in sustainable finance, responsible investment and green economics.
- **Amina Aliyu:** Feminist Monitoring, Evaluation, and Accountability Expert with over 15 years experience
- **Dr Vinita Apte:** Founding President of the TERRE Policy Centre, India, and internationally recognised advocate for environmental sustainability, climate action and environmental education.
- **Dr Adrienne Barnett:** Barister at Law and Lecturer at Brunel University
- **Mario Bellucci:** Italian sustainability professional working on environmental policy, green economic development and international collaboration.
- **Silvia Christina Ortega Beng:** Specialist in Company Sustainability, Based in Luxembourg and Mexico
- **Elise Benjamin:** Former Mayor of Oxford
- **Baroness Natalie Bennett of Manor Castle:** Member of the House of Lords and former Leader of the Green Party of England and Wales; leading advocate for environmental justice, climate action and green economics. Author of the Rights of Nature Bill.
- **Antara Annemarie Borg:** Founder of the Antara Project; lawyer, opera singer and environmental advocate whose work brings together conservation, the arts and marine protection.
- **Councillor Yen Chit Chong:** Researcher, writer, farmer and Green councillor, specialising in intergenerational equity, sustainable food systems and environmental policy.
- **Harry Cunningham**
- **Isabella Daniels**
- **Raghu Datt:** Young People's voice in International Development, King's College London, Interests in sustainable finance.
- **Dr Safa Daud:** Environmental and Legal Anthropologist with a keen interest in Political Ecology and International Law, bringing an interdisciplinary approach to her work.
- **Thomas Dawney,** Thames 21
- **Councillor Sushila Dhall:** Sushila has been a campaigner in Oxford for over 30 years, including serving as a Green for 9 years on Oxfordshire County and 5 years on Oxford City Council, and being the country's first County Green Group Leader. In the latter role she created the first ever Green County budget with Caroline Lucas, showing how Green policies can be underpinned by sound financial planning. Her main areas of action are human rights and greening transport.
- **Lynne Franks OBE:** Founder of SEED (Sustainable Enterprise and Empowerment Dynamics); pioneering campaigner for women's leadership, sustainable business and social entrepreneurship, London Fashion Week and well known celebrity.
- **Laurenz Van Ginneken:** European Network of Political Foundations, supporting international cooperation, democratic engagement and policy development.
- **Suniti Goulding:** International relations specialist, Lecturer
- **Abdulwasi Gowhar,** Journal Author
- **Niri Goyit:** Womens Rights and Gender Expert with over 18 years experience actionaid
- **Gillian Haggarty:** Chair of North Wessex Downs National Landscape. A food scientist with extensive experience in the global food industry, having held senior roles in agriculture, sustainability, procurement and product innovation.
- **Pamela Harling,** Natural Sciences Cambridge, creator of a suburban eco home and expert on green issues.
- **Naina Harish:** Young People's Voice, History and Politics student at University College London with keen interests in international public law.
- **John Hanzen**
- **Marlyn Lee Hughes:** Radiographer, Lecturer of English as a foreign language, Green Economics Institute Trust Charity Trustee, Aviation in reach Trustee, Former British Airways Purser
- **Ayeshah Inshirah:** Based in Malaysia, Founder of the NGO 'For Women'
- **Dr Izarty:** Dar Es Salam, Author
- **Dr Norferyanti Kamarudin:** Researcher at the Malaysian Tropical Forest Research Institute specialising in tropical biodiversity and forest conservation
- **Anayana Katoch**
- **Miriam Kennet:** Founder of the Green Economics Institute and Editor and founder of the International Journal of Green Economics, Co Founder of ENOP and Co Founder of the Green European Foundation and leader and focal point for the GEIs United Nations Delegations.
- **Dr Bon San Lee:** Specialist in Spinal Rehabilitation Medicine with expertise in neurological and musculoskeletal rehabilitation, chronic pain management and disability care
- **Agata Meysner**
- **Isadora Mill:** Young People's Voice, University of Cambridge, Interests in sustainability and public policy.
- **Rohail Millan:** University of Cambridge and LSE. Examining how environmental policy recognises indigenous knowledge, cultural values and community authority within ecosystem- service and market-based forest governance.
- **Zara Miller:** Nature conservation advocate working on the global 30x30 initiative to protect biodiversity and restore ecosystems.
- **Yzabelle Mitchell (USA & UK):** University of Oxford & UCL. Values-driven human rights and education professional specializing in policy synthesis to drive evidence-led, inclusive social change.
- **Hebe Mohammed:** Climate risk specialist
- **Anjilkw Mshelbwalla:** Nigerian IT specialist and human rights advocate focusing on women's and girls' safety, technology and digital inclusion.
- **Syvan Nair**
- **Emmanuella Neiji:** Nigerian microbiologist researching land and marine pollution, environmental health and sustainability
- **James Norman:** Pioneering Organic Farmer
- **Ieuan Owen:** Young People's Voice in Global Sustainable Development, University of Glasgow's School of Social and Environmental Sustainability
- **Dr Vesco Paskalev:** Lecturer in Law at Brunel University London, specialising in environmental law, European Union law and governance.
- **Councillor Jenny Pattinson:** Chief Executive of Hammerson House and local councillor with extensive leadership experience in health, social care and community services. Board Member of Care England
- **Eddie Platt:** Young People's Voice in Politics at the University of Exeter, with interests in environmental governance and public policy.
- **Dr Liljana Popovska:** Former Member of Parliament for North Macedonia and expert in mining, water management, biodiversity and environmental policy.
- **Cathy Presland:** Economist, Former Civil Servant
- **Benjamin Ray**
- **Professor Jack Reardon:** Economist and editor specialising in pluralist economics, sustainable development and economic education.
- **Emma Rossi:** Green Economist, Italy, Author of our 22nd Annual Report on Green Economics 2026
- **Dr Mary Salazar:** Amazonian researcher specialising in carbon projects, climate economics and rainforest conservation.
- **Professor Doaa Salman:** Professor of Financial Economics at MSA University in Greater Cairo, specialising in sustainable development, environmental economics and inclusive growth.
- **Ishita Sehgal**
- **Dr Serkan Şengül:** Assistant Professor at Mudanya University, Türkiye, specialising in environmental sustainability governance and public administration.
- **Dr. Öğr. Üyesi Serkan**
- **Atheer Shayea**
- **Rt Hon Craig Simmons MBE:** Co-founder of Best Foot Forward and former Mayor of Oxford; internationally recognised expert in carbon footprinting, ecological accounting and sustainability.
- **Eloise Smith:** Artist-in-Residence exploring the relationship between creativity, nature and environmental sustainability.
- **Dr Aaron Sterniczky:** Austria/Germany, Professor of Finance and Sustainability specialising in sustainable finance, ESG and responsible investment.
- **Zandrea Stewart:** Founder of Inspired Purpose, senior systems leader, executive coach and social worker with over 25 years' experience in health, care and policy. Her work focuses on systems leadership, climate resilience, environmental justice and creating healthier, more sustainable communities.
- **Sagar Sumaria:** Lifestyle and Sustainability
- **Hannah Thorneloe:** Food sustainability specialist with expertise in sustainable food systems, agriculture and environmental resilience.
- **Bianca Madison-Vuleta PhD hc:** Health, wellbeing and sustainability specialist working internationally to promote resilient communities and holistic wellbeing.
- **Charlotte Ward**
- **Andrea Zenon**



Outline of sessions

Friday 31st July 2026 -Day 1 Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford

Setting the Scene-22 years of impact

Introductory Session

Dr Bianca Madison-Vuleta, PhD:

Polycrisis, Planetary Challenges and the role of the Green Economics Institute in Advancing Sustainable Solutions

Miriam Kennet:

The Institute and its history what we do and its meaning and significance

Anjikwi Mshelbwalla:

22 years of The Green Economics Institute

Naina Harish:

Outlining the challenges for Gen Z and the Hope for the future provided by the Green Economics Institute - new ideas

Professor Jack Reardon

The Rights of Nature

Keynote: Baroness Natalie Bennett, House of Lords, Palace of Westminster, UK:

*Zara Miller (Ted Speaker) of 30x30 UK - The Road to 30by30 - Protecting and Restoring 30% of land and sea for Nature by 2030 - Global Biodiversity Framework goal

-Keynote: Professor Dr Aaron Sterniczky, Austria/Germany Climate Finance and sustainability, Sustainable Finance and Economics and Sustainable

***Keynote: Gillian Haggarty**

Chair of North Wessex Downs National Landscape.

Keynote speaker: Councillor Jenny Pattinson

The Care Economy and the New Global Demographic shifts and why they matter. Councillor and Research and Care Home, Care England Trustee.

Climate and Environmental Justice
Miriam Kennet

Climate Ambition and our work at the Green Economics Institute and the United Nations

SB64 United Nations HQ UNFCCC, our delegation to The United Nations in June 2026. Edie Plat and Harry Cunningham and Naina Harish. Our young delegation team to the United Nations last month.

COP 31 Turkey- United Nations our delegation and official side event and exhibition stand. Find out how to apply to join our regular official United Nations Delegations for Nature, Climate, Development, Climate Finance and others.

The Nexus and complex mesh of social, environmental and economic justice. Economic Justice- and Trade, Industrial policy and structural economics.

Panel Debate and presentations chaired by Naina Harish. Speakers:

Keynote :Lijiana Popovoska Former MEP North Macedonia, Mining and Exploitation. Can it ever be fair- and what do we do about needing the minerals?

Naina Harish: Environmental Law and Human Rights- The example of Investor State Settlement Dispute ISDS Laws

Edie Plat: Development investment and international trade in China. The example of Export Credit Guarantees as state support.

Mario Belucci: Carbon Markets, Can they work in developing countries?

A question of justice and development.

ENOP: European Network of Political Foundations

The hopes for Europe and 20 years of ENOP and GEI helping Europe develop and realising its potential and aspirations.

Laurenz Van Ginneken of ENOP

Evening Garden Party

Salad supper in the garden



Saturday 1st August 2026 – Day 2 Friends Meeting House, Oxford

Inspiration, innovation, implementation Reigniting Hope for our future together

Anjikwi Mshelbwala: A visit to the wonderful natural landscape of Abuja, Nigeria and its impact and importance for citizens- and young people

Emmanuella Neiji: Microbiologist from Nigeria presents the latest findings in microbiology and sustainability

Dr Vinitae Apte, India Terre Foundation, one of our partners at The United Nations COP Intermediate Technology

Keynote: Doaa Salman Economics Professor Cairo Egypt

Keynote: Antara Annemarie Borg

Sounds of nature with Antara Annemarie Borg, DES Law Paris FR - Performance Coach/Composer, Photographer and Ocean Preservation Speaker. Diving into whale song and the vibrations of nature

Introducing GEN Z, The Future of Humanity and why it matters. Yzballé Mitchell Oxford University and LSE

Gen Z- The future of humanity- what happened to them and why it matters for everyone and all our futures- Changing the philosophy and paradigm to meet the needs, hopes and aspirations of GENZ

Naina Harish: Outlining the challenges for Gen Z and the Hope for the future provided by the Green Economics Institute- new ideas

Ancient weaving with modern day threads; exploring how we can strengthen connection and interaction with nature through art and traditional craft With Eloise Smith, Artist in Residence

Keynote: Councillor Craig Simmons MBE: Former Mayor of Oxford and Former Director of Best Foot Forward -Ecological Footprinting
The EVE ecological valuation engine, a satellite integrated framework for natural capital accounting at any spatial scale

The Coming of AI and Data Centres: The new world conflating privatisation of data, health and democracy and its impact on geopolitics. Do we play or not?

Anjikwi Mshelbwala - Trade AI and the shrinking civil and public space, Democracy under serious threat. The consequences for the public

Yen Chit Chong – Economics and Trade AI and the shrinking civil and public space, Democracy under serious threat

Raghu Datt: Kings College, University of London Examining the effects of performative sustainability

Dr Bianca Madison-Vuleta, PhD hc, Social Justice in Action:
The Healing power of Nature in the context of Lifestyle Medicine – the new paradigm

Zandrea Stewart: All our voices and the alignment to health and wellbeing – social justice in action

Isadora Mill: Actor network theory, post growth futures and systems thinking

Harry Cunningham Moralomics: Musk, meritocracy and mobility – the derivational heterogeneity of extreme wealth and its moral limits

Anjikwi Mshelbwala:

Women and Girls in Africa- how Green Economics Is Informing Development

Ms Niri Goyit -Womens Rights and Gender Expert

Ms. Amina Aliyu -Feminist Monitoring, Evaluation, and Accountability Expert
Ayesha Inshirah -Malaysia Founder of the NGO 'For Women'

Rohail Millan:

What Counts as a Forest?: Ecosystem Services, Indigenous Knowledge, and the Politics of Recognition. Ecosystems theories – forests and culture in India. Reforming ecosystem service-based forest governance to better incorporate indigenous knowledge and the politics of recognition

Dr Mary Salazar:

Ecosystems and Forests.

Amazonian Peruvian specialist researcher in Carbon Projects, economist, social communities, energy and solar energy. Economics of Climate Change. Peru carbon and forests

Forest and ecosystems in Malaysia

Dr Norferyanti Kamarrudin, Institute of Tropical Forestry, Malaysia

Hannah Thorneloe

Degrowing the meat system: an analysis of the trends, harms and alternatives to meat overconsumption

Vesco Paskalev

Is cultured meat the new GMO? Public Perceptions and Participatory Regulation of Cultured Meat

Presenting 22 years report of Green Economics and The Green Economics Institute -by Emma Rossi -Italy Green Economist.

Professor Ehtisham Abassi Finance Professor

India What happened to the Indian Economy and can it be explained in financial or structural terms? What are the impacts today on social and environmental and economic justice and what are the solutions.

Dr. Öğr. Üyesi Serkan ŞENGÜL, Mudanya University, Turkey Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Systemic banking risks

Miriam Kennet, Anjikwi Mshelbwala, Bianca Madison -Vuleta, Yen Chit Chong, and Prof Jack Reardon.

How far have we come in 22 years: Opportunities at the Green Economics Institute 2026 and 2027 and next steps

Friends Meeting House

Networking Evening Garden Party
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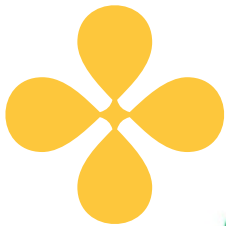
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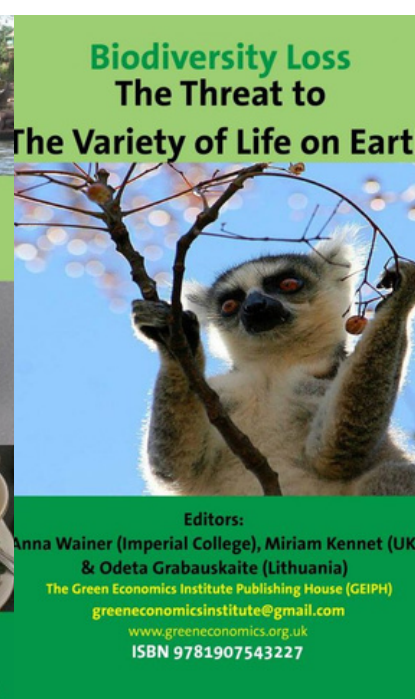
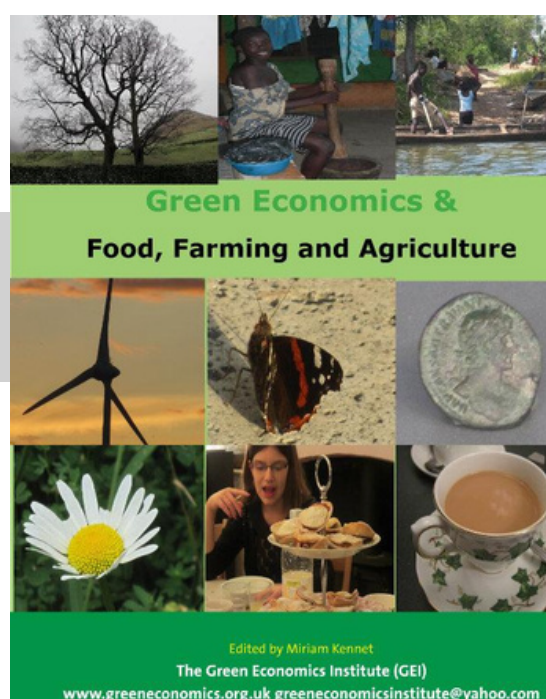
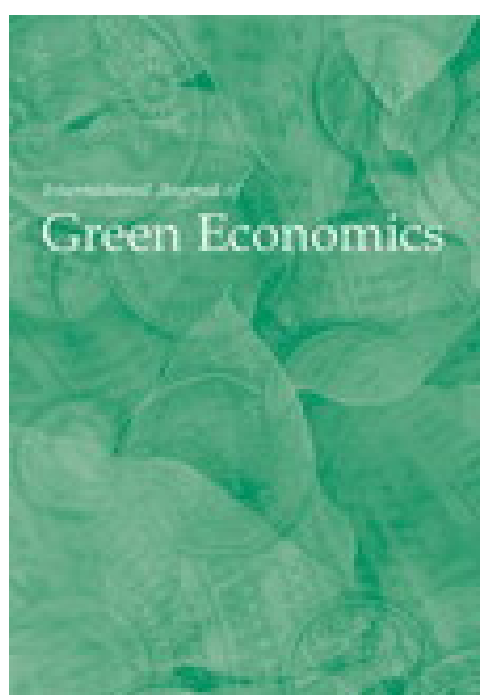
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