

Building Alternative Livelihoods in times of ecological and political crisis

Plenary Speakers' Biographies and Images

Two keynote speakers

Naomi Klein [keynote] Naomi Klein is the inaugural Gloria Steinem Endowed Chair in Media, Culture and Feminist Studies at Rutgers University, and an award-winning journalist, syndicated columnist and international and *New York Times* bestselling author of: *How To Change Everything: The Young Human's Guide to Protecting the Earth and Each Other* (2021), *On Fire: The (Burning) Case for a Green New Deal* (2019), *No Is Not Enough: Resisting the New Shock Politics and Winning the World We Need* (2017), *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. The Climate* (2014), *The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism* (2007) and *No Logo* (2000). In 2018, she published *The Battle for Paradise: Puerto Rico Takes on the Disaster Capitalists* (2018) reprinted from her feature article for *The Intercept* with all royalties donated to Puerto Rican organization juntegente.org.



George Monbiot [keynote] is an author, Guardian columnist and environmental campaigner. His best-selling books include *Feral: Rewilding the land, sea and human life* and *Heat: how to stop the planet burning*; his latest is *Out of the Wreckage: a new politics for an age of crisis*. George cowrote the concept album *Breaking the Spell of Loneliness* with musician Ewan McLennan, and has made a number of viral videos. One of them, adapted from his 2013 TED talk, *How Wolves Change Rivers*, has been viewed on YouTube over 40m times. Another, on *Natural Climate Solutions*, that he co-presented with Greta Thunberg, has been watched over 60m times. George is working on a new book, to be published in 2022, about how to feed the world without devouring the planet.



Panelists, in order of session.

Tonny Nowshin [Alliances between academia and activism] is an economist, climate justice and degrowth activist. Tonny grew up in Bangladesh. Along with social movements in Bangladesh, she mobilized to save the world's largest Mangrove forest, the Sundarbans. She is an international development professional and has worked for German and international climate NGOs. Professionally at the moment, her work focuses on fossil fuel finance. She is working with 350.org. In her activist work, she focuses on centering the concept of climate justice at the core of the degrowth and climate movement by putting forward antiracist and decolonial perspectives.



Gabriela Cabaña [Alliances between academia and activism] is an anthropologist, Ph.D. researcher at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Her research focuses on energy planning and emerging conflicts surrounding energy transitions in southern Chile from a feminist and decolonial perspective. She is also part of the Centro de Análisis Socioambiental - CASA (Centre for Social-Environmental Analysis), based in Chile.



Clive L. Spash [Alliances between academia and activism] is Professor of Public Policy & Governance at WU, Vienna University of Economics & Business, Editor-in-Chief of Environmental Values, and former President of the European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE). As an ecological economist he has promoted the need for social-ecological transformation of growth economies and price-making market systems as well as a paradigm shift in economic thought. As an activist he has been personally engaged in various environmental campaigns and movements for over forty years, as well as fighting against censorship of science.

He has published widely in the fields of economics, political economy, social psychology, project and policy evaluation, environmental policy, philosophy and ethics. He has conducted research on climate change, biodiversity loss, air pollution, conservation and land-use. He is ranked in the top 5% of economists in the world (out of over 60,000 registered authors), by Research Papers in Economics on 15 multiple publications/citations criteria. His books include: Fundamentos para una economía ecológica y social (FUHEM Ecosocial & Catarata, 2020); Routledge Handbook of Ecological Economics: Nature and Society (Ed., Routledge, 2017), Ecological Economics: Critical Concepts in the Environment, 4 Volumes (Ed.,



Routledge, 2009), and *Greenhouse Economics: Value and Ethics* (Routledge, 2002). More information can be found at www.clivespash.org

Julia Steinberger [Alliances between academia and activism]

researches and teaches in the interdisciplinary areas of Ecological Economics and Industrial Ecology. Her research examines the connections between resource use (energy and materials, greenhouse gas emissions) and societal performance (economic activity and human wellbeing). She is interested in quantifying the current and historical linkages between resource use and socioeconomic parameters, and identifying alternative development pathways to guide the necessary transition to a low carbon society. She is the recipient of a Leverhulme Research Leadership Award for her research project 'Living Well Within Limits' investigating how universal human well-being might be achieved within planetary boundaries. She is Lead Author for the IPCC's 6th Assessment Report with Working Group 3.



Prof. Steinberger is Professor of Societal Challenges of Climate Change at the University of Lausanne since 2020. Before that, she worked at the University of Leeds, and was a Senior Researcher at the Institute of Social Ecology in Vienna (SEC), where she investigated sustainable cities and the links between material use and economic performance. She has held postdoctoral positions at the Universities of Lausanne and Zurich, and obtained her PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She has published over 40 internationally peer-reviewed articles since 2009 in journals including *Nature Climate Change*, *Nature Sustainability*, *WIREs-Climate Change*, *Environmental Science & Technology*, *PLOS ONE* and *Environmental Research Letters*.

Dr. Tania Briceno [Alliances between academia and activism]

is a Lead Economist at the Conservation Strategy Fund. She is an ecological economist with more than 15 years of experience conducting environmental valuations, socioeconomic analyses, and ecosystem service assessments. Prior to joining CSF she was Senior Economist at Batker Consulting LLC. Previously, she served as Program Director and member of the leadership team for Earth Economics. She has dedicated most of her research career to the advancement and application of ecosystem service valuation. She also worked with the Government of Canada creating policies for climate change mitigation and adaptation and with a team of industrial ecologists at the University of Science and Technology in Norway to better account for greenhouse gas emissions and identify economic activities with the greatest potential for reductions. Tania has a PhD in Environmental Economics from University of Montreal, a Masters in Ecological Economics from Leeds University, and a BA in Economics and International Development from McGill University. She is native Colombian and speaks English, Spanish and French fluently.



Alexandra Köves [The future of ecological economics] received her PhD from the Corvinus University of Budapest on sustainable employment within the field of ecological economics. In the first decade of her career, she worked with development programmes in the fields of employment policy, social integration, vocational training, adult and higher education. After having realised that what we call development currently is neither sustainable, nor socially just, a decade ago she turned towards re-examining the theoretical principles. She teaches ecological economics, Degrowth and decision sciences, and her research focuses mainly on sustainability scenarios using backcasting techniques. She is board member of ESEE. In Hungary, she has become a known advocate of ecological economics trying to introduce this research field to a wider audience, running a weekly podcast series called “Green Equality”. She is also host of the newly launched podcast of ESEE called Economics for Rebels.



Louison Cahen-Fourot [The future of ecological economics] is a post-doc researcher at the Institute for Ecological Economics of the Vienna University of Economics and Business. He works in the fields of ecological macroeconomics and political economy of capitalism and the environment on topics such as money, finance and sustainability, the economic and financial impacts of the low-carbon transition, the diversity of capitalism and the social relation to the environment, and socio-ecological metabolism and socio-economic dynamics of contemporary economies. Louison holds a PhD in Economics from Sorbonne Paris Nord University.



Beatriz Macchione Saes [The future of ecological economics] is a Professor in the School of Politics, Economics and Business at the Universidade Federal de São Paulo (Eppen-Unifesp, Brazil). She holds a BA in Economics from Universidade de São Paulo (USP); and a MA and PhD in Economic Development from Universidade Estadual de Campinas (Unicamp, Brazil). She also has been a postdoctoral researcher at the Universidade Federal Fluminense (UFF, Brazil). She is an ecological economist concerned with Latin American development, extractivism and environmental conflicts related to mining, and environmental liabilities of corporations.



Bengi Akbulut [**The future of ecological economics**] is an assistant professor at the department of Geography, Planning and Environment, Concordia University, Montréal. She received her B.A. from Boğaziçi University (2004) and PhD from University of Massachusetts at Amherst (2011), both in economics. Her joint and independent work appeared in the Cambridge Journal of Economics, Development and Change, Journal of Peasant Studies, Ecological Economics, Geoforum and Environment and Planning, among others. Her research is at the intersection of political economy, ecological and feminist economics. She has written on the critiques of developmentalism and economic growth in general, and the interlinks between developmentalism and state hegemony in Turkey in particular. A significant part of her recent work focuses on economic alternatives, including community economies, commons and degrowth. She is currently working on two related themes within this broader theme: the first focuses on developing a case for economic democracy from an ecological economics perspective; the second is on the question of work and the future of work.



Dr. Robert Costanza [**The future of ecological economics**] is a professor of Ecological Economics and Vice Chancellor's Chair in Public Policy at the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University. He is also currently a Senior Research Fellow at the Stockholm Resilience Center, an Affiliate Fellow at the Gund Institute for Environment, a deTao Master of Ecological Economics at the deTao Masters Academy, China, a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia and the Royal Society of Arts (UK), and an Ambassador of the Wellbeing Economy Alliance ([WEAll](#)).

Professor Costanza's transdisciplinary research integrates the study of humans and the rest of nature to address research, policy and management issues at multiple time and space scales, from small watersheds to the global system. His areas of expertise include: ecological economics, ecosystem services, landscape ecology, integrated ecological and socioeconomic modelling, energy and material flow analysis, environmental policy, social traps and addictions, incentive structures and institutions.

He is co-founder and past-president of the International Society for Ecological Economics, and founding editor of the society's journal, [Ecological Economics](#). He currently serves on the editorial board of ten other international academic journals. He is also founding editor-in-chief of [Solutions](#) a unique hybrid academic/popular journal and editor in chief of [The Anthropocene Review](#).



Professor Costanza is the author or co-author of over [600 scientific papers and 28 books](#). His work has been cited more than [125,000 times in Google Scholar](#) with an h-index of 133. More than 350 interviews and reports on his work have appeared in various popular media and he has written over [75 articles for the popular press](#).

Lisi Krall [The future of ecological economics] I am a Professor of Economics at the State University of New York, Cortland, and a board member of the ISEE. I have been active in EE since the 1990s. I also work with The Land Institute and its attempt to push cultural change through its Ecosphere Studies and New Perennials Project; the Foundation for Deep Ecology; and the Evolution Institute. My work is focused broadly on economic systems, their etiology, structure and dynamic, and the context they establish between humans and the more-than-human world. My present research utilizes a transdisciplinary methodology incorporating evolutionary biology, history, anthropology as well as economics and ecology to understand the major economic and evolutionary transition that occurred with the agricultural revolution around annual grains, and the challenge it presents for rapprochement between humans and earth in its present iteration—global capitalism.



Corinna Dengler [The future of ecological economics] is a feminist ecological economist and degrowth scholar activist based in Bremen, Germany. She studied economics, development studies, and *Socio-Ecological Economics and Policy* in Vienna, Moscow and Quito. From March 2017 onwards, she worked as a research assistant at the University of Vechta, where she finished her PhD titled “*Feminist Futures: What Degrowth learns from the Feminist Critique of Science, Economics, and Growth*” at the chair for feminist economics in August 2020. She is currently employed as postdoctoral researcher and senior lecturer at the department for *Development and Postcolonial Studies* at the University of Kassel, Germany. Her research focuses on the intersections of feminisms, decoloniality, and the environment and she is part of the coordination group of the Feminisms and Degrowth Alliance (FaDA), an international network that aims at making feminist thought and practices an integral part of degrowth scholarship.



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Glicéria Jesús da Silvabetter [diverse voices], known as **Célia Tupinambá**, is from the Serra do Padeiro village, located in the Tupinambá Indigenous Land of Olivença, in the south of the State of Bahia, Brazil. She participates intensively in the Tupinambá's political and religious life, getting involved, above all, in issues related to education, the productive organization of the village, social services and women's rights. She is currently a teacher at the Tupinambá Serra do Padeiro State College (CEITSP). She has been President of the Association of Tupinambá Indigenous Population of Serra do Padeiro (AITSP).



She has also worked in the Network of Indigenous Peoples and Organizations in the Northeast, Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo (Apoime) and was a member of the National Commission for Indigenous Policy (CNPI). In addition, she represents her people at the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women). In 2015, she made the documentary “Voz Das Mulheres Indígenas” (17min.), which gathers testimonies of indigenous women from Bahia, Pernambuco, Rio Grande do Norte and Alagoas about their trajectories in the indigenous movement. [Available at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MLSs_5elMqk].

Tamara Goddard [Diverse voices] is CEO, Four Our Future Indigenous Economic Corporation. Tamara has an extraordinary understanding of Nation Building, Aboriginal business, First Nations governance, culture, and history. Of the Saulteau First Nation in North Eastern BC, she continues to work on identifying and creating solutions to build healthy Indigenous economies in Canada.



Tamara completed her Master's Degree in Indigenous Business & Leadership at SFU. Tamara's primary focus is the study of traditional Indigenous ideologies and how the Indigenous way of being can sustain beyond the current neoliberal regime.

Over the past 15 years, Tamara has performed extensive research pertaining to the gaps between First Nations, Government, and Industry. Tamara utilizes this research in her work with multiple First Nations and Indigenous organizations towards developing and implementing economic strategies and growth partnerships. With this experience, Tamara now works on economic development projects such as hotels, affordable housing, food and water security technologies, and ecological restoration corporations. Tamara is currently the CEO of Four Our Future Indigenous Economic Corporation, which is a merger between Chief Gibby Jacob and Association Inc. and Mahigan Research and Development. Currently, she is expanding Four Our Future to partner with the latest technologies in environmental, water, housing, agriculture and power management. Four Our Future works across Canada in real estate development, environmental restoration, economic development and major projects.

Hilary Wainwright [Trade unions and the Just Transition] is a Fellow of the Transnational Institute and co-ordinates the European dimension of its New Politics Project; a founder editor and co-editor of Red Pepper; an active member of The World Transformed.

Between 1978-1982. She worked with the Lucas Aerospace Shop Stewards Combine Committee on documenting their experiences and identifying the problems that they faced.

Between 1982 and 86 she worked as Deputy Chief Economic Advisor to the Greater London Council and with Mike Cooley, Robin Murray, Mike Ward and others worked to develop the approach of popular planning for socially useful production to address the problem unemployment and unmet need in London.

Her latest book is A New Politics from the Left. Others include Reclaim the State: Experiments in Popular Democracy; Arguments for a New Left: Answering the Free Market Right; Labour. A Tale of Two Parties.

(co-author)The Lucas Plan. A New Trades Unionism in the Making?

(co-author)Beyond the Fragments. Feminism and the Making of Socialism



Paul Goldrick-Kelly [Trade unions and the Just Transition] is an Economist at the Nevin Economic Research Institute based in Dublin. A graduate of University College Dublin with a HDIP and MA in Economic Science, Paul's work has examined issues related to healthcare, housing, tax and revenue sufficiency as well as productivity performance in the Republic of Ireland. Paul's current research interests relate to ecological sustainability and political economy, incorporating issues related to Just Transition. Paul is currently engaged in a collaborative doctoral research project with NUI Maynooth concerning carbon lock-in and its manifestation and propagation through institutions. This work is funded in partnership with the Irish Research Council.



Brenda O'Neill [Trade unions and the Just Transition] has lectured for more than twenty years in the Department of Computing and Mathematics in Waterford Institute of Technology (WIT). She is currently a PhD researcher. Brenda is a member of the Insyte-Cooley Research Lab (I-CRL) in the Digitization Hub of the Luke Wadding Library in WIT which fosters expertise in the use of metadata standards for interoperability of digital cultural heritage systems, data analytics and use of AI on large archive datasets. The I-CRL follows the Human Centered ethos of the late Professor Michael Cooley one of the architects of the Human Centered Systems approach to systems design. He believed that technology should augment but not replace the work of the human, that tacit knowledge (that which we know but cannot tell) should be valorized and that there should be responsible production for the benefit of society. Brenda is also a member of the Diversity and Inclusion Working Group in the International Federation of Automatic Control (IFAC).



Seán Byres [Trade unions and the Just Transition] joined Trademark in 2014, having completed a PhD at the University of Ulster the previous year. He contributes to Trademark's education programmes but is principally responsible for the organisation's research projects. Seán has

authored a number of widely cited reports and provided research support to various trade union and campaigning organisations, and continues to work collaboratively with various the Irish and European partners on projects relating to economic and political strategies for a just transition. He is an active member of Unite the union and Belfast Trades' Council, as well as sitting on the board of Financial Justice Ireland and the 50th Anniversary Civil Rights Committee. He co-hosts the Trademark Belfast podcast 'A Workers Guide to Everything'.



John Barry [Trade unions and the Just Transition] is a recovering politician, member of University and College Union (UCU), Professor of Green Political Economy and Co-Director of the Centre for Sustainability, Equality and Climate Action at Queens University Belfast. He is also Co-Chair of the Belfast Climate Commission.



Jan Otto Andersson [Provisioning to meet basic needs within limits] Retired professor in Economics from Åbo Akademi University. Written on unequal exchange, the Nordic economic models, basic income, ecological economics and degrowth. Author of texts on the "Third Left".



Vincent Liegey [Provisioning to meet basic needs within limits] co-author of Exploring Degrowth: A Critical Guide (Pluto Press, 2020). Engineer, interdisciplinary researcher, spokesperson for the French degrowth movement, he is the coordinator of Cargonomia — a centre for research and experimentation on degrowth, a social cooperative for sustainable logistical solutions and local food distribution using cargo-bikes in Budapest. He is also co-author of Un Projet de Décroissance (Editions Utopia, 2013) and La Décroissance, No Fake (Tana Editions, 2021).



Dan Bailey will be chairing the session **[Provisioning to meet basic needs within limits]** He is a Senior Lecturer in International Political Economy at the Future Economies Centre at Manchester Metropolitan University. His research addresses the relationship between environmental unsustainability, the global economy, and the state's institutions, objectives and strategies. He has published research in *New Political Economy*, *Environmental Politics*, *Competition and Change*, *Local Government Studies*, *British Politics* and *Renewal* amongst other academic journals, has co-authored reports for the *New Economics Foundation* and *Foundation for European Progressive Studies*, and collaborated on an edited collection with Prof. Colin Hay. He has previously worked at the University of Manchester, the University of Sheffield and the University of York.



Maeve Cohen **[Provisioning to meet basic needs within limits]** is a campaigner, organiser and researcher working to build inclusive economies that serve people and planet. She programme officer at the Social Guarantee and former director at Rethinking Economics.



Anna Saave **[Provisioning to meet basic needs within limits]** is an ecofeminist political economist with a background in environmental sciences and sustainability economics based in Jena, Germany. She is currently finishing her PhD on „Appropriation and Externalization as a Basis for Accumulation. On the Inside-Outside-Relation of the Capitalist Mode of Production“, which will be published as a monograph. She works as a research manager at Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena, Germany, and is a member of the Feminism and Degrowth Alliance. Her research focuses on the political-economic interconnections of care and reproductive work as well as ecological processes with the capitalist mode of production. Anna studied in Germany and Iceland and has been a visiting scholar at the philosophy department at Oregon State University. Her further academic interests include feminist economics, degrowth, socio-ecological transformations, artistic research and plural socio-economic higher education.



Bina Agarwal **[Mainstreaming a new economics: Levers for change in a post-COVID economic recovery]** is Professor of Development Economics and Environment at the University of Manchester, UK. She has been President of the International Society for Ecological Economics and President of the International Association for Feminist Economics. She holds honorary doctorates from ISS, The Hague, and the University of Antwerp, and is an elected member of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Italy.

Agarwal has written extensively on environmental governance, agrarian change, land rights, and poverty and inequality, especially from a gender and political economy perspective. Her many books include the award-winning, *A Field of One's Own* (Cambridge University Press, 1994); *Gender and Green Governance* (Oxford University Press, 2010); *Gender Challenges* (OUP, 2016), a three volume compendium of her selected papers; and *Gender Inequalities in Developing Economies* (2021, Italian trans.). Her many awards include a Padma Shri in 2008; the Leontief Prize 2010 'for advancing the frontiers of economic thought'; the Louis Malassis International Scientist Prize 2017; and the International Balzan Prize 2017.



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Sam Buckton [**Mainstreaming a new economics**] graduated in Biological Natural Sciences at the University of Cambridge in 2018. He has worked with conservation NGOs including the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, the Box Moor Trust and several Wildlife Trusts, and whilst working for the University of Cambridge in 2019-20 he contributed to the University's recently published Biodiversity Action Plan and designed the Cambridge Biodiversity Metric. He is currently studying an MSc in Environmental Economics and Environmental Management at the University of York and is completing a dissertation linked to his GANE research. He is also a

member of the University of Hull's youth advisory panel for its project exploring opportunities for youth-led climate change adaptation in Vietnam. In his spare time he enjoys writing papers for natural history journals.



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Simone Martino **[Mainstreaming a new economics]** has a background in Environmental Science and Economics that embraces scientific, social and economic aspects of natural resource management. His research focuses on valuation of non-marketed goods and benefits of biodiversity and ecosystem services (in particular in coastal and marine habitats), including tangible and intangible cultural heritage. In his research, Simone addresses ecological and natural aspects of resource valuation by coupling ecological and economic models and analyses trade-offs between policy scenarios to address management implications for resource management.

