

APPENDIX 2

Contacts for further study and research, selected references and acknowledgements*

This Appendix brings together some of the people and organisations actively engaged with the future of money, many of whom have already been mentioned in various chapters. Its purpose is to provide a collection of starting points that readers may find useful if they want to go more deeply into topics discussed in the book.

The list is by no means complete. There are many other people from whom I have learned over the years, and to whom I am grateful.

Following a General section, the entries are shown in sections broadly corresponding to the topics discussed in different chapters of the book.

General (includes various aspects of the money system and related topics)

new economics foundation: <http://www.neweconomics.org/>. Director **Stewart Wallis**.

Wide-ranging contributions to topics this book discusses. Trustee **James Skinner** is a supporter of monetary reform.

Forum for the Future: www.forumforthefuture.org. Not specifically about money or economics, but many references to them are at <http://tinyurl.com/7vk4jtu>. Also see **Jonathon Porritt**'s articles at <http://tinyurl.com/ch2uuhs>.

Hazel Henderson: www.hazelhenderson.com/recent_papers.html: essential, wide-spread coverage of the future of the money system from a US viewpoint. Also find her

under 'Ethical Uses of Money' below.

David Korten: <http://livingeconomiesforum.org> Another broad and essential US contribution. Closely associated with **YES!** *magazine*, www.yesmagazine.org.

The late Richard Douthwaite (Ireland): Takes a wide view of money. His books include *The Ecology of Money*. For details of them and himself, see Green Books' website <http://tinyurl.com/7yv7nng>. He was a founder of **Feasta** (The Foundation for the Economics of Sustainability, www.feasta.org).

Margrit Kennedy: <http://tinyurl.com/792sn52> (Germany). Comprehensive approach to Money – see <http://tinyurl.com/7mda8c4>.

Bernard Lietaer: Also a comprehensive approach. 'Currency Solutions for a Wiser World', <http://tinyurl.com/82cuca2>.

James Bruges and **Marion Wells:** Active Quakers supportive to progressive projects in India and the UK. James Bruges' books are *The Little Earth Book*, the *Big Earth Book*, and *The Biochar Debate* – see <http://tinyurl.com/7axjl7c>.

Steven B. Kurtz: A philosopher member of the Canadian Association for the Club of Rome, circulates information and ideas on a wide range of topics broadly related to those at <http://tinyurl.com/859s6os>.

Shann Turnbull: Australian Principal of the International Institute for Self-governance, concerned with wide-ranging financial innovations. <http://tinyurl.com/709exmx>.

Caroline Lucas, MP: Green Party leader (England and Wales), <http://www.carolinelucas.com/cl.html> – promotes many policies in Parliament supporting fairer and greener use of public finances.

Molly Scott Cato: UK Green Party speaker on economic issues, and Director of Cardiff Institute for Co-operative Studies. <http://tinyurl.com/6rxf54j>. Author of *Green Economics: An Introduction to Theory, Policy and Practice*.

Martin Large: *Common Wealth: For a free, equal, mutual and sustainable society*, Hawthorn Press, 2010. <http://tinyurl.com/7bfgo8r>. Reviewed at <http://www.jamesrobertson.com/news-jan10.htm>, Item 4.1.

Ellen LaConte (USA): *LIFE RULES: Why so much is going wrong everywhere at once and how Life teaches us to fix it*, iUniverse, 2010. <http://tinyurl.com/85z6zun>. Also Blog at www.ellenlaconte.com/edge-wise.

Keith Hudson: <http://allisstatus.wordpress.com>. Comments on evolution and hu-

man social and economic life – very stimulating; sometimes arguable, for example on restoring the gold standard.

Diana Schumacher: Wide-ranging contributor to new economics.

<http://tinyurl.com/7o8ukyz>.

George Monbiot: <http://tinyurl.com/87ehkvb>. “From now on, as the old dream dies, nothing is straightforward. But at least we have the beginning of a plan”. Many of his articles listed along with ‘Out of the Ashes’ raise important questions about money. (I question his support for nuclear power, mainly because its exceptional risks for security and health enable policy-makers and managers to justify a damaging lack of transparency and accountability.)

Bruce Nixon: His excellent new book, *A better world is possible – what needs to be done and how we can make it happen*, is at

<http://www.bruce-nixon.com/betterworld.html>. I wish him well with it.

Charles Bazlinton: Blogspot www.the-free-lunch.blogspot.com regularly comments on UK monetary reform, land value taxation and Citizen’s Income. ‘Fairness with freedom’ should attract us all.

New Era Network: <http://neweranetwork.info>. Main concerns: promoting the health of people and the planet, localising economic activity now too centralised, and peacefully reconciling conflict. See the list of networkers. It is also connected with the Attwood Group – details at <http://thomasattwood.wordpress.com>.

Samuel Brittan and **Martin Wolf:** Two highly respected *Financial Times* commentators.

Samuel Brittan has recently written in favour of land value taxation:

http://www.samuelbrittan.co.uk/text419_p.html.

So has Martin Wolf: “Land value taxation is a ‘no-brainer’ . . . It is both fair and efficient. It should be adopted.” See <http://tinyurl.com/7x9yrrx>. He has also criticised how the money supply is now created: “The essence of the contemporary monetary system is creation of money, out of nothing, by private banks’ often foolish lending”, see <http://tinyurl.com/75la49k>.

Ann Pettifor: <http://www.debtonation.org>. This blog on ‘Debt, Credit & the International Financial System’ provides a gateway to over 70 subjects ranging from Anglo-American financial crisis to World Bank – by way of Debt, Euro and Euroland, Globalisation, Green New Deal, Keynes, Public Spending, and the UK Financial Crisis. Highly

recommended.

Ethical uses of money

Hazel Henderson: *Ethical Markets: Growing the Green Economy* (2007), see www.ethicalmarkets.com.

Laszlo Solnai: Director, Business Ethics Center, Corvinus University, Budapest, see <http://laszlo-zsolnai.net>.

Tarek El Diwany: He explains Islamic teaching – *The Problem With Interest*, Kreatoc Ltd, 3rd edition, 2010. <http://tinyurl.com/7lm9mbg>.

Canon Peter Challen: The Christian Council for Monetary Justice, www.ccmj.org.

St Paul's Institute: (Its former Director, Canon Giles Fraser, resigned from the Cathedral in late October, 2011 in response to how it proposed to deal with the 'anti-capitalist' demonstrators outside its doors.) www.stpaulsinstitute.org.uk.

Fr. Sean Healy and **Sr. Brigid Reynolds** are now leading Social Justice Ireland: see www.socialjustice.ie/content/about-us. A **Basic Income** has been an important feature of their work for more than a quarter of a century with CORI Justice.

Ecumenical Council for Corporate Responsibility: <http://tinyurl.com/88vsujo>.

Ekklesia: Beliefs and values thinktank on religion, politics, theology, culture and society – www.ekkleisia.co.uk.

How the money supply should be created and managed

Ben Dyson: Positive Money (www.positivemoney.org.uk), the leading UK campaign for monetary reform, making really good progress.

Stephen Zarlenga: Director of the American Monetary Institute which is actively campaigning for monetary reform in USA and making really good progress too. Also ground-breaking book *The Lost Science of Money: The Mythology of Money – The Story of Power*: see www.monetary.org.

Prosperity (Alistair McConnachie): <http://prosperityuk.com>, leading pioneer of monetary reform – see the important list of links to relevant people and organisations.

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(1) with **Ben Dyson** and **Prof. Richard Werner**, submission to UK Independent Commission on Banking, January 2011 at <http://tinyurl.com/85empgz>, and
(2) with **Prof. Richard Werner** and **Andrew Jackson**, 'Where does money come from? A guide to the UK monetary and banking system', September 2011.
<http://tinyurl.com/4yk5zqt>.

Joseph Huber and **James Robertson**: *Creating New Money: A Monetary Reform for the Information Age*, New Economics Foundation, 2000,
www.jamesrobertson.com/books.htm#creating.

Joseph Huber: *Monetative: Taking Money Creation back into Public Hands*. (Germany). <http://tinyurl.com/75hxqba>.

Mary Mellor: *The Future of Money: From Financial Crisis to Public Resource*, 2010. Essential reading on the money system and its future from an 'anti-capitalist' viewpoint. See my review at Item 2.(1) at
<http://www.jamesrobertson.com/news-jul10.htm - bookreviews>.

Bill Still (USA): supporting monetary reform, *The Moneymasters* and *The Secret of Oz*. Highly recommended films and text. See www.themoneymasters.com/mm.

Ellen Hodgson Brown (USA): *The Web of Debt: The Shocking Truth About Our Money System And How We Can Break Free*, 2009, acclaimed as "an absolute must read and relevant to people of all political stripes" – book and follow-up blog at www.webofdebt.com.

Simon Dixon: After experience in the City of London, he campaigns for a fundamental monetary reform, advises on the financial crisis, and prepares the next generation of UK banking leaders for the future. See www.simondixon.org.

Ann Belsey at the **Money Reform Party**: Informative, interesting website – see <http://tinyurl.com/89bm4j3>.

Frances Hutchinson: *Understanding The Financial System: Social Credit Rediscovered*, Jon Carpenter Publishing, 2010, see my review at <http://www.jamesrobertson.com/news-jan11.htm>, Item 3.(3).

John Lanchester: *Whoops! Why everyone owes everyone and no one can pay*, Penguin, 2010, <http://tinyurl.com/7almbt8>. "A devastating and devastatingly funny analysis of the credit crunch and subsequent global financial meltdown", *London Review of Books*. One of the best of many books on the credit crunch.

Shifts in taxes and other sources of public revenue

To capture land value by taxation (with links to the Georgist movement)

Fred Harrison: His blog – www.fredharrison.com – is a ‘must read’. His *The Power in the Land* and other books are a prime source for the wide-ranging economic and social arguments for land value tax (LVT). See <http://tinyurl.com/7pn4trp>.

Alanna Hartzok: www.earthrights.net/about/hartzok.html. Includes projects in USA and Africa, as well as for United Nations. For full coverage see <http://www.earthrightsinstitute.net> and <http://www.earthrightsinstitute.org>.

The **Coalition for Economic Justice:** A recently established coalition of think tanks, charities and pressure groups supporting the introduction of an annual Land Value Tax (LVT) to replace or reduce existing taxes on enterprise and labour. www.c4ej.com. See its listed member organisations.

‘Land&Liberty’ – www.LandandLiberty.net – is the quarterly magazine of the Henry George Foundation in London.

Tony Vickers chairs Action for Land Taxation and Economic Reform (ALTER): www.libdemsalter.org.uk – see their excellent ‘Quotes’ at <http://tinyurl.com/7x9yrxx>.

Robert Schalkenbach Foundation (USA): <http://schalkenbach.org> is an exceptional source of information about the proposals of Henry George and their influence today – see, for example, **Prof. Mason Gaffney’s** important contribution on Henry George’s relevance today at <http://tinyurl.com/7umcool>.

The IU – International Union for Land Value Taxation: is a global non-governmental organisation established in 1926 to promote permanent peace and prosperity by re-establishing mankind’s natural relationship with land – www.theiu.org.

To capture the value of other environmental resources by taxation

A **UK parliamentary report** concluded in July 2011: “There is a pressing need for Government to take a more coherent and clearly articulated approach to environmental taxes”. <http://tinyurl.com/7l5yuxc>.

Prof. Paul Ekins: www.ucl.ac.uk/cbes/people/paul-ekins (Energy Institute, University College, London):

(1) Green Fiscal Commission www.greenfiscalcommission.org.uk
(2) Theory and Practice of Environmental Taxation
<http://tinyurl.com/7oxlw4k>.

David Gee: European Environment Agency: <http://tinyurl.com/6pxwjtt>.

To reduce tax avoidance

John Christensen: 'Tax Havens Cause Poverty'. A 'must read'.
<http://tinyurl.com/ykqodjt>.

Richard Murphy: <http://tinyurl.com/4lej4b>. Another powerful call to action.

Prof. Prem Sikka: <http://tinyurl.com/7b7qsg3>. For too cosy relationships between government and tax avoiders, see <http://tinyurl.com/7jpa24v>.

Shifts in public spending

Shift – to a Citizen's Income (or Basic Income)

Citizen's Income Trust: www.citizensincome.org (Director, **Malcolm Torry**) reports on the feasibility of a citizen's income in the UK.

Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN): www.basicincome.org/bien. Chair, International Advisory Board, **Philippe Van Parijs**. For Basic Income News, see <http://binews.org>.

The U.S. Basic Guarantee Network (USBIG), Karl Widerquist: Promotes discussion of the basic income guarantee in the United States. See <http://usbig.net>.

Shift – away from

(1) Cost of government debt (see Chapter 3)

(2) Perverse subsidies

(3) Contracts to the private sector

(4) Other wasteful public spending (see Chapter 4)

Norman Myers: *Perverse Subsidies: Tax \$s Undercutting Our Economies and Environments Alike*. See <http://tinyurl.com/827rthz> and also <http://tinyurl.com/6usbktn>.

Guardian Datablog Guide to Private Finance Initiative:

<http://tinyurl.com/7hzd3zx>. November 2010.

George Monbiot on **Private Finance Initiative**: <http://tinyurl.com/6mnnwhh>.

Private Finance Initiative for Hospitals: <http://tinyurl.com/7hlcj8o>. January 2011.

International money

Herbie Girardet, <http://tinyurl.com/6rlonfo> and **Jakob von Uexkull** <http://tinyurl.com/79qacgs> founded the **World Future Council**: www.worldfuturecouncil.org. For a financial proposal that would be a step toward a genuinely international new currency for international transactions, see www.worldfuturecouncil.org/new_money.html.

Nicholas Hildyard and **Larry Lohmann, The Corner House**: Why carbon rationing and trading won't work. See 'Carry on Polluting' at <http://tinyurl.com/6nbrk9c>. (Their finding was later supported by **Lord (Adair) Turner**, see <http://tinyurl.com/yjhw8mw>).

Wendy Harcourt: Will the Society for International Development (SID) take seriously the need for money system reform to support "systemic change in politics, economic, military, gender hierarchies, and social systems"? In her editorial for *Development*, January 2012, Wendy Harcourt sees economic justice as central to future development, and people everywhere wanting to hold the financial system accountable for the deep inequalities ripping through societies. See <http://tinyurl.com/87x9vzp>.

John Bunzl and **SIMPOL**: <http://simpol.org.uk>. A democratic campaign to get legislators in different countries to support simultaneous introduction of reforms needed to save the planet. Global grassroots co-operation in action. Well worth exploring further.

Local community currencies and financial enterprises

Rob Hopkins: 'Transition Towns', <http://tinyurl.com/3us2lqt> and www.transitionbooks.net (local currencies shown on right).

David Boyle: www.david-boyle.co.uk.

Tom Greco (USA): www.reinventingmoney.com.

(For comments on these two distinguished thinkers see www.jamesrobertson.com/news-jun09.htm, Item 4(3)&(4) and Item 5.)

The late Richard Douthwaite (Ireland): Also see under 'General' above. <http://tinyurl.com/88tq43u>.

David Korten and **YES! Magazine** (USA): Also at 'General' above. <http://tinyurl.com/7lazqvr>.

new economics foundation: See website entries for 'Local Money' – <http://tinyurl.com/7b7rn9o>.

New Economics Institute (USA): <http://neweconomicsinstitute.org>.

John Rogers: <http://localcurrency.wordpress.com>.

Colin Hines: *Localization: A Global Manifesto* – <http://tinyurl.com/6679az6>, Earthscan, 2000. Excellent book. But **David Cromwell**'s perceptive review asked the key question raised by all these localisation proposals: will opposition and public inertia let them happen? <http://tinyurl.com/77tushm>.

Pat Conaty: Credit Unions, other local Community Development Finance Institutions (CDFI), Community Land Trusts, etc. – see <http://tinyurl.com/7284w6h>.

Ed Mayo: Secretary General of Co-operatives UK, which reported in 2011 that "the UK economy is turning back to the co-operative model to sustain its future" – see www.uk.coop.

A few concluding references to corruption

Political Cleanup: <http://political-cleanup.org>.

The Global Infrastructure Anti-Corruption Centre (GIACC): <http://tinyurl.com/7zetcq2>.

Transparency International UK: www.transparency.org.uk.

Unlock Democracy: <http://tinyurl.com/879ntfh>.

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