

**'CSEAR E-Newsletter' – December 2014**  
**FROM THE CENTRE FOR SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACCOUNTING RESEARCH**

Welcome to the latest CSEAR E-Newsletter which is sent out to all members regularly throughout the year, providing you with up to-date SEA news and contact information. If you would like to use these pages for publicising any conferences or events that you think would be of interest to other CSEAR members just let us know by emailing us.

**CSEAR NEWS**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following on from the successful <b>1<sup>st</sup> workshop</b> held in <b>parallel with the 26<sup>th</sup> CSEAR Conference in St Andrews</b>, Markus Milne, Shona Russell and Colin Dey have issued a <b>call for papers for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ecological Accounts Workshop: Making non-human worlds (in)visible during moments of socio-ecological transformation</b> which will be held during the <b>Critical Management Studies Conference 2015: 'Is there an alternative? Management after critique'</b>, conference 8-10 July 2015, in Leicester.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://arts.st-andrews.ac.uk/ecological-accounts/">http://arts.st-andrews.ac.uk/ecological-accounts/</a></p> <p>see attached pdf</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As you are a <b>member of the Centre for Social and Environmental Accountability Research</b>, we thought that you might be interested to hear about <b>subscription options available for the Social and Environmental Accountability Journal (SEAJ)</b>, the official journal of CSEAR. SEAJ is committed to the creation of a new academic literature in the broad field of social, environmental and sustainable development accounting, accountability, reporting and auditing. The journal provides a <b>forum for a wide range of different forms of academic and academic-related communications</b> whose aim is to <b>balance honesty and scholarly rigour with directness, clarity, policy-relevance, and novelty</b>. Recent articles published in SEAJ have covered the evolution of social reporting, company sustainability reports, earnings quality and the potential association with social responsibility, persuasion strategies in sustainability reports, and a content analysis of the social and environmental reports produced by international banks. As a <b>personal member of CSEAR you receive access to the journal either through print copies or online access, but does your institution take access to the journal for your colleagues and students? Institutional subscribers to SEAJ will benefit from:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Online access</b> for your <b>whole institution</b> to the current volume of the journal, plus all issues published back to 1997.</li> <li><b>Access to articles via our online platform</b>, Taylor &amp; Francis Online, along with a <b>mobile-optimized web app, allowing you to access the journal wherever you are.</b></li> <li><b>Exclusive online access to the articles published in SEAJ, ahead of inclusion in issues.</b></li> </ul> <p>Do you think that <b>SEAJ</b> would be the perfect <b>addition to your library's collection?</b> If yes then please <b>recommend that your library purchases a subscription. Alternatively your institution can subscribe directly at:</b>  <a href="http://www.tandfonline.com/pricing/journal/reaaj20#.VGtW3PmsW5K">http://www.tandfonline.com/pricing/journal/reaaj20#.VGtW3PmsW5K</a></p> </li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.tandfonline.com/pricing/journal/reaaj20#.VIWbETGsW5L">http://www.tandfonline.com/pricing/journal/reaaj20#.VIWbETGsW5L</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>3rd French Conference on Social and Environmental Accounting Research (3rd CSEAR France) Conference</b> will be held from <b>June 11-12, 2015</b> at <b>ESSEC Business School, France.</b></li> </ul>	<p>Please see attached call for papers.  <a href="http://csear-france.essec.edu/2015-congress">http://csear-france.essec.edu/2015-congress</a></p> <p>Further details are available from <a href="mailto:csear-france@essec.edu">csear-france@essec.edu</a>;</p>

## CSEAR NEWS (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are very pleased to announce that <b>Social and Environmental Accountability Journal (SEAJ)</b> will be indexed on the <b>Scopus Database</b>. We are delighted that SEAJ content will be available through Scopus and we are sure this will <b>extend the visibility of the important research published in the journal</b>. Additionally SEAJ is on the <b>ABS list (at rank of 1), the Australian Dean’s list and the ISU Accounting journal list</b>.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>CSEAR Council</b> has undertaken to write its <b>2nd Annual Report to CSEAR</b> members. This report has been circulated to all members in a separate email. It can also be <b>found on the CSEAR website</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/membersarea/csear-council/session13_14/">http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/membersarea/csear-council/session13_14/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Questions raised by participants in the 1st Emerging Scholars Colloquium</b> (held on the 26th August 2014 immediately before the 26th ICSEAR in St Andrews) are available on the <b>CSEAR blog</b>. <b>Academics</b> have been <b>invited to answer these questions in an open dialogue fashion</b>. Please see the CSEAR Blog for further details.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://csearweb.blogspot.co.uk/">http://csearweb.blogspot.co.uk/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For those of you that tweet, <b>CSEAR now has a presence on Twitter (@csearUK)</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.twitter.com">www.twitter.com</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following on from the <b>very successful Practitioner sessions</b> held during the <b>26th CSEAR Conference</b> in St Andrews in August 2014. <b>Rebecca McCaffry (CIMA)</b> has provided the following link to a series of videos that <b>CIMA have produced on ethics</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.cimaglobal.com/Professional-ethics/Ethics/Responsible-business/ethicswebcasts/CIMA-and-ethics-webcasts/Ethics-animation/">http://www.cimaglobal.com/Professional-ethics/Ethics/Responsible-business/ethicswebcasts/CIMA-and-ethics-webcasts/Ethics-animation/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CSEAR Teaching Case Study Competition 2015</b> CSEAR is launching a <b>new annual teaching case study competition for members</b>. All members (including PhD students and practitioners) are invited to <b>contribute a teaching case study as part of our initiatives to develop the effectiveness of Accounting and Sustainability education</b>. <b>Five winners</b>, as determined by a panel of judges, will be <b>invited to present their cases in a plenary session at CSEAR UK conference in Royal Holloway University of London (26th-28th August 2015) and have their cases published in an e-book format that will be distributed free to all CSEAR members</b>. They will also receive a <b>framed award certificate</b> and be listed on the <b>CSEAR webpage</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>please see attached for full details</p> <p><a href="http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/membersarea/teach_comp/">http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/membersarea/teach_comp/</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An <b>SEAJ Special issue on EU regulation about corporate social and environmental reporting</b> will be published in <b>April 2016</b>, with Special Issue Editor <b>Thomas Riise Johansen</b>. Authors interested in contributing to this Special Issue of SEAJ should submit their <b>manuscripts to the SEAJ online submission system not later than the 31st of January 2015</b>, selecting this special issue. <b>Review papers and commentaries are also welcome until the 30th of June 2015</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>please see attached call for papers</p> <p><a href="http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/reaaj">http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/reaaj</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>27th International Congress on Social and Environmental Accounting Research</b> will be held during the week of <b>24th August 2015</b> and will be hosted by <b>Professor Jeffrey Unerman and the School of Management at the Royal Holloway University of London</b>. Further details will follow.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>10th CSEAR Spain Conference</b> on Social and Environmental Accounting Research will be held the <b>17th and 18th of September, 2015 in Pablo de Olavide University headquarters in the city of Carmona, organized by CICSMA and Pablo de Olavide University</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>Please see attached call for papers and information about participation in the workshop. Full details can be found on their website: <a href="http://www.upo.es/congresos/csear-spain2015/">www.upo.es/congresos/csear-spain2015/</a></p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>VI CSEAR Italian Conference</b> will be held in <b>September 2016 at the University of Parma</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://en.unipr.it/">http://en.unipr.it/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invitation: <b>CSEAR Blog seeking guest bloggers: Do you write blogs or tweet about your research?</b> Would you like to share <b>short overviews</b> or <b>updates</b> with others in the <b>CSEAR communities</b>? The <b>CSEAR Blog</b> is looking for <b>guest contributors to write up to 500 words on their research</b>. If you have something to contribute or would like to find out more about the CSEAR blog please <b>contact Colin Dey or Shona Russell</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://csearweb.blogspot.co.uk/">http://csearweb.blogspot.co.uk/</a> <a href="mailto:colin.dey@stirl.ac.uk">colin.dey@stirl.ac.uk</a> ; <a href="mailto:sr65@st-andrews.ac.uk">sr65@st-andrews.ac.uk</a> ;
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>General Invitation to Submit Article and Book Reviews for SEAJ:</b> For each issue of SEAJ we, the review team, publish a range of book and article reviews covering the broad area of interest to SEAJ readers. Generally, and increasingly so, we commission these by identifying recent articles/books and then inviting academics to contribute a short review. However, the purpose of this email is remind everyone that we also welcome and encourage members of the CSEAR community to contact us with potential contributions to the review section, in particular book reviews. <b>We welcome contributions from both senior and emerging academics</b>. While we are open to a <b>broad range of literature relevant to the SEAJ readers</b> being reviewed, we do focus on reviews of recent publications. We also ask that you contact one of the review team prior to writing the review to ensure that a review of the article or book you identify has not already been published, or currently being reviewed by someone else. <b>Reviews are generally 300-350 words, however can be longer in the case of a book review</b>. We look forward to hearing from you (or your postgraduate students) soon with a suggested review. Regards, The SEAJ Review Team.</li> </ul>	<a href="mailto:cornelia.beck@sydney.edu">cornelia.beck@sydney.edu</a> ; <a href="mailto:helen.tregidga@aut.ac.nz">helen.tregidga@aut.ac.nz</a> ; <a href="mailto:Matias.Laine@staff.uta.fi">Matias.Laine@staff.uta.fi</a> ;

**Call for Papers**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>How would you Reinvent Foreign Aid? GDN Next Horizons Essay Contest 2014</b> in partnership with the <b>Bill &amp; Melinda Gates Foundation on The Future of Development Assistance</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.gdn.int/html/page11.php?MID=3&amp;SID=24&amp;SSID=80">http://www.gdn.int/html/page11.php?MID=3&amp;SID=24&amp;SSID=80</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Global Conference on Business and Finance.</b> The conference is sponsored by The Institute for Business and Finance Research, LLC (IBFR).</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theibfr.com/costaricainfo.htm">http://www.theibfr.com/costaricainfo.htm</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Global Sustainability Research Conference 2015:</b> The Call for Abstracts for the Global Sustainability Institute (GSI) Research Conference 2015 is now open.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.anglia.ac.uk/ruskin/en/home/microsites/global_sustainability_institute/global_sustainability.html?utm_source=gsi_conference2015&amp;utm_medium=url&amp;utm_campaign=redirect">http://www.anglia.ac.uk/ruskin/en/home/microsites/global_sustainability_institute/global_sustainability.html?utm_source=gsi_conference2015&amp;utm_medium=url&amp;utm_campaign=redirect</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The Lancet-Rockefeller Commission on Planetary Health:</b> The Lancet now invites the submission of <b>innovative and rigorous research</b> that addresses the topic of <b>global environmental change, ecosystem impairment, and the health of human civilisations</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736%2814%2961289-7/fulltext">http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736%2814%2961289-7/fulltext</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Journal of Industrial Ecology</b> invites you to submit <b>articles</b> for a <b>special issue on Linking Local Consumption to Global Impacts by January 15th, 2015</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://jie.yale.edu/jie-cfp-local-global">http://jie.yale.edu/jie-cfp-local-global</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A <b>Special Issue of Sustainability Accounting, Management and Policy Journal</b> on "<b>Camouflaging of corporate (un)sustainability</b>" is being guest edited by <b>Giovanna Michelin, Silvia Pilonato, Federica Ricceri and Robin Roberts</b>.</li> </ul>	please see attached call for papers

## Call for Papers (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Journal of Corporate Citizenship</b> is pleased to invite papers for a <b>special issue of the JCC on 'Japanese Approaches to CSR</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.greenleaf-publishing.com/jcc">www.greenleaf-publishing.com/jcc</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new <b>Journal of Environmental Accounting and Management</b>, a peer-reviewed publication that aims at <b>linking environment and ecological science with complex system theory</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://lhscientificpublishing.com/journals/JEAM-Default.aspx">http://lhscientificpublishing.com/journals/JEAM-Default.aspx</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Journal of Human Resource and Sustainability Studies</b> is an international journal dedicated to the latest advancements <b>related to topics of human resource, work, and ecological sustainability</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.scirp.org/Journal/AimScope.aspx?JournalID=2421&amp;utm_source=E&amp;utm_medium=c&amp;JHRSS20130617&amp;utm_campaign=aimScope">http://www.scirp.org/Journal/AimScope.aspx?JournalID=2421&amp;utm_source=E&amp;utm_medium=c&amp;JHRSS20130617&amp;utm_campaign=aimScope</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Journal of Accounting &amp; Marketing</b> is an academic journal providing an opportunity to share information amongst scientists and researchers.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.omicsgroup.org/journals/accounting-marketing.php">http://www.omicsgroup.org/journals/accounting-marketing.php</a>

## Other Conferences

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicago, <b>23 Jan 2015: ESG &amp; Impact Investing conference at Chicago Booth School of Business &amp; Kellogg School of Management</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.tbllgroup.com/tblconference/boothkellogg2015.html?utm_source=TBLL+Mailing+List&amp;utm_campaign=3ce9cf9014-tblconfbk15_3&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_2c981d6575-3ce9cf9014-315207481">http://www.tbllgroup.com/tblconference/boothkellogg2015.html?utm_source=TBLL+Mailing+List&amp;utm_campaign=3ce9cf9014-tblconfbk15_3&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_2c981d6575-3ce9cf9014-315207481</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The Economics of Global Poverty January 5-7 2015, Gordon College, Wenham, MA.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.gordon.edu/EconomicsOfGlobalPoverty">http://www.gordon.edu/EconomicsOfGlobalPoverty</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Global Sustainability Institute Research Conference 2015, 26th–27th January 2015, Cambridge, UK.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://store.anglia.ac.uk/browse/extra_info.asp?compid=1&amp;modid=2&amp;deptid=27&amp;catid=15&amp;p rodid=657">http://store.anglia.ac.uk/browse/extra_info.asp?compid=1&amp;modid=2&amp;deptid=27&amp;catid=15&amp;p rodid=657</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>'Next steps for the UK renewable energy sector: priorities, subsidies, and 2030 targets' 24th February 2015, Central London.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=908&amp;t=7867">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=908&amp;t=7867</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Carbon Trust Public Sector Conference 2015, 25th February 2015, Central London, UK.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.carbontrust.com/about-us/events/2014/03/public-sector-event">http://www.carbontrust.com/about-us/events/2014/03/public-sector-event</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Training Course on Holistic Approaches to Sustainability in Higher Education Institutions, 1st-6th March 2015, Manchester, UK.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/ftz-als/veranstaltungen.html">http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/ftz-als/veranstaltungen.html</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>5th International Conference on Accounting and finance May 2015 Singapore.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.acc-finance.org/index.html">http://www.acc-finance.org/index.html</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>13th Annual International Conference on Accounting, 25-28 May 2015, Athens, Greece.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.atiner.gr/accounting.htm">http://www.atiner.gr/accounting.htm</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>2015 SEE Conference: Sustainability, Ethics and Entrepreneurship (SEE) Professional Development Workshop, April 28-30, 2015, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://seeconf.org/Pages/default.aspx">http://seeconf.org/Pages/default.aspx</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Journal of Law, Finance, and Accounting (JLFA) 2015 International Conference, June 1 and 2, 2015, Hong Kong.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="https://hq.ssrn.com/login/pubSignInJoin.cfm?conflink=JLFA-Hong-Kong-2015">https://hq.ssrn.com/login/pubSignInJoin.cfm?conflink=JLFA-Hong-Kong-2015</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>2015 Policy Summit on Housing, Human Capital &amp; Inequality, June 18-19, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://frb.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_dcZ52H3FFB3YdaR">http://frb.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_dcZ52H3FFB3YdaR</a>

## Other Conferences (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EURAM 2015, Kozminski University from June 17 to 20, 2015.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://euram-online.org/conference/2015/">http://euram-online.org/conference/2015/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Meditari Accountancy Research European Conference and Doctoral Colloquium 2015 2-3 July 2015, University of Bologna, Italy School of Economics, Management and Statistics – Forli Campus.</b></li> </ul>	See attached pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Academy of Management, Vancouver, August 2015.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://aom.org/annualmeeting/submission/call/one/pdw/">http://aom.org/annualmeeting/submission/call/one/pdw/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>World Symposium on Climate Change Adaption (WSCCA-2015), 2-4 September 2015, Manchester, United Kingdom.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/wscqa-2015.html">http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/wscqa-2015.html</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Workshop on the external dimension of European Union environmental policy.</b></li> </ul>	<a href="http://governanceinnovation.org/wordpress/workshop-on-the-eus-external-environmental-policy/">http://governanceinnovation.org/wordpress/workshop-on-the-eus-external-environmental-policy/</a>

## Accounting and Reporting

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>European Council</b> has agreed a <b>new directive non-financial reporting</b>: The <b>European Commission</b> welcomes the adoption by the Council of the <b>Directive on disclosure of non-financial and diversity information by large companies and groups</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.enviroreporting.com/detail_press.phtml?act_id=1250&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;groups=ENVREP">http://www.enviroreporting.com/detail_press.phtml?act_id=1250&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;groups=ENVREP</a> <a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-WELCOMES-THE-ADOPTION-OF-NFR-DIRECTIVE.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2UJPU,HU5A8R,ABVLE,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-WELCOMES-THE-ADOPTION-OF-NFR-DIRECTIVE.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2UJPU,HU5A8R,ABVLE,1</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As <b>Integrated Reporting &lt;IR&gt;</b> moves into the mainstream, the <b>International Integrated Reporting Council IIRC</b> has announced the <b>launch of the &lt;IR&gt; Business Network</b>, to lead <b>implementation of &lt;IR&gt;</b> in <b>different markets and sectors</b>, and ensure the <b>market relevance of integrated thinking and reporting</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;id=19c6d66d02&amp;e=923d618304#businessnetwork">http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;id=19c6d66d02&amp;e=923d618304#businessnetwork</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>final report</b> of the <b>B20 Infrastructure and Investment Task Force</b> was <b>amended</b> in late September to include a <b>specific reference to the IIRC</b>. Following strong representations from the <b>Business Reporters Leading Forum (BRLF)</b>, the report now states, "In particular, the B20 notes its support for the following initiatives, many of which are already underway... A review by the [International] Integrated Reporting Council and International Accounting Standards Board in relation to making corporate reporting more conducive to infrastructure and other long-term investment, and eliminating or addressing current barriers."</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.b20australia.info/priorities-1/infrastructure-and-investment">http://www.b20australia.info/priorities-1/infrastructure-and-investment</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC)</b> is calling on the <b>G20</b> to <b>support the B20 recommendations</b>, and furthermore asks that the <b>G20 encourages its member nations to eliminate or address current barriers to the implementation of corporate reporting reform, and &lt;IR&gt; in particular</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;id=54309fafa1&amp;e=923d618304#G20call">http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;id=54309fafa1&amp;e=923d618304#G20call</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>International Co-operative Alliance (ICA)</b>, with the scientific and technical support of <b>Euricse</b>, has launched the <b>2014 report of its global statistical project: The World Co-operative Monitor</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://euricse.eu/it/node/2576">http://euricse.eu/it/node/2576</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bold action</b> to tackle <b>climate change</b> will <b>modernise the UK economy</b>, boost <b>economic growth</b> and <b>job creation</b>, increase <b>household income</b> and improve <b>people's health</b>. These are among the findings of <b>The Economics of Climate Change Policy report</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://awsassets.panda.org/downloads/wwf_climate_economics_summary_a4_web.pdf">http://awsassets.panda.org/downloads/wwf_climate_economics_summary_a4_web.pdf</a>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A report by the <b>Business &amp; Human Rights Resource Centre (BHRC)</b> suggests it is <b>time to close the gap</b> between <b>international standards</b> and <b>actual human rights practices</b> by <b>Chinese firms</b>. The briefing looks at how companies in the world's second largest economy address human rights concerns, as <b>Chinese firms come under increasing scrutiny from civil society organisations</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/ngowatch-%E2%80%93-october-2014?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+101014&amp;utm_term=Cambodia%E2%80%99s+wage+protests%3a+Fashion+brands+support+garment+workers&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=AQkOrwkZi7jrBOobWacQ7wTyolDprKR4VbGLJBQtIB6gX8F8MDCZnc95ivZ8TTHQKfrl7kA%2b5PVNBxZLrln0BLhTes%2fT5y1sdzDCZILFFS%2bzBiobC3xc3oFBcRRIsXbtB2MhqqjmTHXd%2fc6l8On0xpTnSdtOgKOC%2fD9iO%2fm4fFo0rCunt0kZJjGIDyP18S2NWrWC84BUNVVOnqX9rcTugV6fGc9zLLxdQL%2f0S%2b3kul%3d">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/ngowatch-%E2%80%93-october-2014?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+101014&amp;utm_term=Cambodia%E2%80%99s+wage+protests%3a+Fashion+brands+support+garment+workers&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=AQkOrwkZi7jrBOobWacQ7wTyolDprKR4VbGLJBQtIB6gX8F8MDCZnc95ivZ8TTHQKfrl7kA%2b5PVNBxZLrln0BLhTes%2fT5y1sdzDCZILFFS%2bzBiobC3xc3oFBcRRIsXbtB2MhqqjmTHXd%2fc6l8On0xpTnSdtOgKOC%2fD9iO%2fm4fFo0rCunt0kZJjGIDyP18S2NWrWC84BUNVVOnqX9rcTugV6fGc9zLLxdQL%2f0S%2b3kul%3d</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A <b>Special Report</b> by the <b>German Advisory Council on Global Change (WBGU)</b> demonstrates how there have been <b>strong movements towards sustainability recently forming in civil society</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.wbgu.de/en/special-reports/sr-2014-climate-protection/">http://www.wbgu.de/en/special-reports/sr-2014-climate-protection/</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A <b>Green Infrastructure (GI) Guide</b>, launched at <b>World Water Week</b> in September, is set to raise <b>greater awareness</b> of the <b>benefits of GI solutions for water resources management</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.unepdhi.org/-/media/microsite_unepdhi/publications/documents/unep/web-unep-dhigroup-green-infrastructure-guide-en-20140814.pdf">http://www.unepdhi.org/-/media/microsite_unepdhi/publications/documents/unep/web-unep-dhigroup-green-infrastructure-guide-en-20140814.pdf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>European Environment Agency's indicator report</b> looks at the <b>transition to a green economy</b> with a focus on the <b>global environmental impacts of the EU's production-consumption systems</b>. T</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.eea.europa.eu/publications/environmental-indicator-report-2014">http://www.eea.europa.eu/publications/environmental-indicator-report-2014</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Global gender accountability</b> has taken the <b>spotlight</b> recently with <b>two key global gender reports</b> being published – the <b>Global Gender Gap Report 2014 (World Economic Forum)</b>, and the <b>World Survey on the Role of Women in Development: Gender Equality and Sustainable Development (UN Women)</b>. Both reports are essential in highlighting <b>global gender disparities</b> and advocating for <b>gender equality at the heart of sustainable development</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/gender#.VIAoJSl_tlg">http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/gender#.VIAoJSl_tlg</a>  <a href="http://www3.weforum.org/docs/GGGR14/GGGR_CompleteReport_2014.pdf">http://www3.weforum.org/docs/GGGR14/GGGR_CompleteReport_2014.pdf</a>  <a href="http://www.unwomen.org/~media/headquarters/attachments/sections/library/publications/2014/unwomen_surveyreport_advance_16oct.pdf">http://www.unwomen.org/~media/headquarters/attachments/sections/library/publications/2014/unwomen_surveyreport_advance_16oct.pdf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)</b> has revealed a <b>new governance structure</b> which will reinforce its <b>commitment</b> to providing <b>robust global standards for sustainability reporting</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-Forms-New-Governance-Structure-to-Catalyze-Sustainability-Reporting.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2Y701,HU5A8R,AN2JJ,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-Forms-New-Governance-Structure-to-Catalyze-Sustainability-Reporting.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2Y701,HU5A8R,AN2JJ,1</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are a couple of articles from <b>Prem Sikka</b> this quarter that will be of interest to you:   <b>Number's up for Big Four accountants behind tax avoidance schemes and duff audits of banks:</b> Civil society brought tax avoidance issues on the political agenda and some reforms are taking place. Often governments, such as in the UK, are simply paying lip-service to reforms. Still, lots need to be done.  <a href="http://www.thisismoney.co.uk/money/comment/article-2827741/Number-s-Big-Four-accountants-tax-avoidance-schemes-duff-audits-banks.html">http://www.thisismoney.co.uk/money/comment/article-2827741/Number-s-Big-Four-accountants-tax-avoidance-schemes-duff-audits-banks.html</a>   <b>An article titled "Tax revenues are under relentless attack – the government needs to take action"</b> sketches out some of the reforms, and is available at  <a href="http://leftfootforward.org/2014/10/tax-revenues-are-under-relentless-attack/">http://leftfootforward.org/2014/10/tax-revenues-are-under-relentless-attack/</a>   <b>Trolley load of trouble in store for Tesco and its bean counters</b>  <a href="http://theconversation.com/trolley-load-of-trouble-in-store-for-tesco-and-its-bean-counters-32008">http://theconversation.com/trolley-load-of-trouble-in-store-for-tesco-and-its-bean-counters-32008</a></li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)</b> has released the <b>Synthesis Report of its Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)</b>. The Synthesis Report <b>distills and integrates material</b> contained within <b>IPCC Assessment Reports</b> and <b>Special Reports</b> and <b>represents seven years</b> of work by more than a <b>thousand scientists globally from 160 countries</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ipcc.ch/">http://www.ipcc.ch/</a></p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Five countries moving ahead</b> of the pack on <b>circular economy legislation</b>: Denmark has <b>banned the construction of incineration plants</b>, Scotland is <b>charging for plastic bags</b> and Sweden is aiming to <b>increase its metal recycling</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/29/countries-eu-circular-economy-legislation-denmark-sweden-scotland?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/29/countries-eu-circular-economy-legislation-denmark-sweden-scotland?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Global Nutrition Report 2014- Actions and accountability to accelerate the world's progress on nutrition</b>: Good nutrition is key to achieving the <b>ambitious targets</b> set out in the <b>Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) framework</b>, and <b>improving nutrition</b> remains a <b>major challenge of the 21st century</b>. The <b>Global Nutrition Report 2014</b> is the <b>first</b> in an <b>annual series</b> that <b>assesses progress</b> in improving <b>nutrition status across the globe</b>, identifies <b>obstacles to change</b>, emphasises <b>potential for action</b>, and enhances <b>nutrition accountability mechanisms</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.eldis.org/go/latest-news/news/the-global-nutrition-report-2014-actions-and-accountability-to-accelerate-the-world-s-progress-on-nutrition#.VIAP7Sl_tlg">http://www.eldis.org/go/latest-news/news/the-global-nutrition-report-2014-actions-and-accountability-to-accelerate-the-world-s-progress-on-nutrition#.VIAP7Sl_tlg</a></p> <p><a href="http://globalnutritionreport.org/">http://globalnutritionreport.org/</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)</b> has launched <b>new research, Reporting Matters 2014</b>, showing that the <b>quality of corporate non-financial reporting</b> amongst <b>leading companies</b> is <b>improving</b>, and while there is a <b>great diversity</b> of approaches in the <b>reports reviewed</b>, <b>sustainability reporting</b> is the <b>norm for the world's leading companies</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.wbcd.org/Pages/eNews/eNewsDetails.aspx?ID=16374&amp;NoSearchContextKey=true">http://www.wbcd.org/Pages/eNews/eNewsDetails.aspx?ID=16374&amp;NoSearchContextKey=true</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.enviroreporting.com/detail_press.phtml?act_id=1253&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;groups=ENVREP">http://www.enviroreporting.com/detail_press.phtml?act_id=1253&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;username=guest@enviroreporting.com&amp;password=9999&amp;groups=ENVREP</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Coca-Cola 2013/2014 Sustainability report review - Not 100% the real thing</b>: Coca-Cola continues <b>progress in its reporting</b>, but <b>growth plans stick in the throat</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/coca-cola-20132014-sustainability-report-review-not-100-real-thing?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorpationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=1679+Supply+Chain+26114&amp;utm_term=This+month%E2%80%99s+top+5+CSR+reads&amp;utm_content=42046&amp;gator_td=AEXITNNYSEHb2JQqwVDtknGWKmTnw%2fW8vF4jRm8FJTrVNZ%2bL1l5gvwCLJ6G%2bgLBNi%2fSuYdHt2k8YE%2bxM%2fouRYGxdTXPLnbAHAYcdyG2yDWxmq6gs52Vr5RCfNABka4Ey5K8Smiy6qXETdCSWQabcDbYr9K%2fLrDx7W%2fq24oAUDGSwdkjjyv%2b5UAibJAMTWauA35EkA4CIYGF0CsrLU78vE7yOR6Z75DY8xS0%2fTcX36cvw%2b23q%2bJ4fUwET1mgQWJX">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/coca-cola-20132014-sustainability-report-review-not-100-real-thing?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorpationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=1679+Supply+Chain+26114&amp;utm_term=This+month%E2%80%99s+top+5+CSR+reads&amp;utm_content=42046&amp;gator_td=AEXITNNYSEHb2JQqwVDtknGWKmTnw%2fW8vF4jRm8FJTrVNZ%2bL1l5gvwCLJ6G%2bgLBNi%2fSuYdHt2k8YE%2bxM%2fouRYGxdTXPLnbAHAYcdyG2yDWxmq6gs52Vr5RCfNABka4Ey5K8Smiy6qXETdCSWQabcDbYr9K%2fLrDx7W%2fq24oAUDGSwdkjjyv%2b5UAibJAMTWauA35EkA4CIYGF0CsrLU78vE7yOR6Z75DY8xS0%2fTcX36cvw%2b23q%2bJ4fUwET1mgQWJX</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)</b> has launched <b>new and updated services</b>: GRI recognizes that as the reporting process matures, the quality must also continue to improve. To help achieve this, GRI is launching a <b>new handbook</b>, a <b>new service for reporters</b>, as well as <b>updating two existing services</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-LAUNCHES-NEW-AND-UPDATED-SERVICES.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-LAUNCHES-NEW-AND-UPDATED-SERVICES.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)</b> is pleased to announce the <b>launch of Forward Thinking Future Focus</b>, a combined <b>activity review</b> and <b>sustainability report</b> covering GRI's work in <b>2013-2014</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/A-YEAR-IN-THE-LIFE-OF-GRI.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/A-YEAR-IN-THE-LIFE-OF-GRI.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• December 3 marked the <b>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</b>. In order to help advance their <b>integration in the social and economic spheres</b>, <b>GRI, together with Fundación ONCE</b>, the <b>leading organization of the European Network for CSR and Disability (CSR+D)</b>, will create a <b>resource guide for reporting on disability related matters</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-AND-FUNDACI%C3%93N-ONCE-TO-DEVELOP-DISABILITY-REPORTING-RESOURCE-GUIDE.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-AND-FUNDACI%C3%93N-ONCE-TO-DEVELOP-DISABILITY-REPORTING-RESOURCE-GUIDE.aspx?dm_i=4J5,30ZI1,HU5A8R,AVV12,1</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MPs summon PwC tax chief to attend Luxembourg tax deal hearing</b>: <b>Public accounts committee</b> will <b>demand intricate details</b> from Kevin Nicholson about <b>tax avoiding schemes in Grand Duchy</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/business/2014/nov/27/mps-summon-pwc-chief-luxembourg-tax-schemes">http://www.theguardian.com/business/2014/nov/27/mps-summon-pwc-chief-luxembourg-tax-schemes</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Public sector organizations</b> from around the world have met for a <b>round table event</b> convened by the <b>World Bank</b> to launch the <b>Public Sector Pioneer Network</b>. The network is a <b>unique initiative designed to help public sector organizations</b> improve <b>transparency</b> and <b>build trust</b> through <b>Integrated Reporting</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theiirc.org/companies-and-investors/public-sector-pioneer-network/">http://www.theiirc.org/companies-and-investors/public-sector-pioneer-network/</a></p>

## Finance, Financial Markets and Institutions

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Governor of the Bank of England</b>, Mark Carney, who is also <b>Chairman of the Financial Stability Board</b>, has cited &lt;IR&gt; as a <b>powerful tool</b> for <b>influencing the allocation of capital and credit more effectively</b>, based on a better <b>understanding by investors of long-term issues</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;iid=54309fafa1&amp;e=923d618304#Carney">http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=b36f6aeef75cea67e62812844&amp;iid=54309fafa1&amp;e=923d618304#Carney</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Retail investors help drive strong growth in responsible investing:</b> <b>Responsible investment</b> in Australia and New Zealand has <b>increased by 13 per cent</b> over 2013 to a total of <b>\$153 billion assets</b> under management, as well as providing <b>above average returns</b> according to the <b>latest industry survey</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/retail-investors-help-drive-strong-growth-responsible-investing/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/retail-investors-help-drive-strong-growth-responsible-investing/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Pressure on big four banks to stay out of Galilee coal projects:</b> <b>Environmental groups</b> are <b>protesting against</b> the recent <b>approval of Australia's biggest coal mine</b> by holding a <b>new divestment day</b> in an effort to <b>stop the major banks supporting the project</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/pressure-big-four-banks-stay-galilee-coal-projects/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/pressure-big-four-banks-stay-galilee-coal-projects/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Sustainalytics Awards for Excellence - PRI announce 2014 winners:</b> The PRI was pleased to announce the winners of the Sustainalytics Awards for Excellence at <b>this year's PRI Academic Network Conference</b>. The theme for the 2014 conference was <b>'Bridging the gap between academics and practitioners'</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.unpri.org/whatsnew/sustainalytics-awards-for-excellence-pri-announce-2014-winners/">http://www.unpri.org/whatsnew/sustainalytics-awards-for-excellence-pri-announce-2014-winners/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Japanese Financial Service Agency (FSA)</b> has launched a <b>Japanese version of "Stewardship Code"</b> inviting <b>institutional investors to sign up</b>. Modelled on the <b>British Stewardship Code adopted in 2010</b>, these <b>Principles for Responsible Institutional Investors</b> were set out as a <b>code of behaviour for institutional investors who hold corporate stocks</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.japanfsa.org/en/news/archives/news_id035063.html">http://www.japanfsa.org/en/news/archives/news_id035063.html</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Insurance industry tops the Climate Summit with \$420bn pledge:</b> The global insurance industry has <b>promised to lift its "climate-smart investments"</b> – from <b>\$42 billion to \$84 billion by end of 2015</b> – and "is set to <b>transform its mainstream asset management by placing more emphasis on climate risk"</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/insurance-industry-tops-climate-summit-420bn-pledge/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/insurance-industry-tops-climate-summit-420bn-pledge/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Investors managing US\$2 trillion</b> have <b>committed to green bonds</b> and have called on <b>corporates and governments to urgently deliver projects to be financed</b>. <b>Signatories from three continents</b> said in the <b>Investor Statement on Green Bonds and Climate Bonds</b> they have a <b>responsibility to address threats to the future performance of their investments from climate change</b>, as well as a <b>responsibility to secure their clients' savings through sustainable and responsible investments</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/investor-demand-outstrips-green-bond-supply/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/investor-demand-outstrips-green-bond-supply/</a>  <a href="http://www.climatebonds.net/">http://www.climatebonds.net/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>EUROSIF</b>, the <b>European Sustainable Investment Forum</b>, has <b>unveiled the findings of its 6th Sustainable and Responsible Investment Study</b>, first published in 2003. The Study highlights the <b>scale of Sustainable and Responsible Investment practices and trends in Europe and across 13 European countries</b>. For the <b>first time</b>, the Study provides <b>new detailed insights on Exclusions, European Impact investing and Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) integration practices</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.eurosif.org/press-release-6th-sustainable-and-responsible-investment-study-2014/">http://www.eurosif.org/press-release-6th-sustainable-and-responsible-investment-study-2014/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Another interesting article from <b>Prem Sikka</b>: Some <b>6-7 years</b> after the <b>banking crash</b>, the infrastructure that <b>brought the system crashing down is still in place</b>. <b>Credit rating agencies and accountancy firms</b> are <b>still raking in vast sums doing the same, albeit under a different guise</b>.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://theconversation.com/gloomy-outlook-from-imf-but-it-is-still-not-facing-up-to-what-caused-the-banking-crash-32836">https://theconversation.com/gloomy-outlook-from-imf-but-it-is-still-not-facing-up-to-what-caused-the-banking-crash-32836</a>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Large superfunds to screen out high-carbon and coal companies:</b> Local Government Super (LGS) has added a high-carbon negative screen to its investment process but can also invest in nuclear power, while HESTA moves against thermal coal.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/large-superfunds-screen-high-carbon-coal-companies/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/large-superfunds-screen-high-carbon-coal-companies/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The financial think-tank Carbon Tracker Initiative (CTI) and the UK Sustainable Investment and Finance Association (UKSIF) have called on the Government and regulatory authorities to consider actions which align capital markets and investment more effectively with the realities of climate change.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://uksif.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/CTI_UKSIF-Press-Release-5Nov2014_draft_APPCCG-edits-2.pdf">http://uksif.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/CTI_UKSIF-Press-Release-5Nov2014_draft_APPCCG-edits-2.pdf</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RI Quarterly highlights academic research for investment professionals in accessible summaries. This issue showcases the 7th PRI Academic Network Conference in Montreal and features award winning papers from the Sustainalytics Prize for Excellence in Responsible Investment Research.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://2xjmlj8428u1a2k5o34l1m71.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/RI-QUARTERLYvol5.pdf">http://2xjmlj8428u1a2k5o34l1m71.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/RI-QUARTERLYvol5.pdf</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Investors ask for tax transparency at G20:</b> Investors want comprehensive transparency and disclosure to be core principles of the international taxation system reforms put to the G20 Leaders Summit in Brisbane in late November.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/investors-ask-tax-transparency-g20/">http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/investors-ask-tax-transparency-g20/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Islamic finance is widely misunderstood but its core principles could provide a blueprint for a sustainable global economy.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/dec/04/could-islamic-finance-solution-capitalism?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/dec/04/could-islamic-finance-solution-capitalism?CMP=new_1194</a>

## Other Issues

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The World Future Council has released a handbook which shows how forward-looking communities around the world are already moving away from reliance on fossil fuels and providing their energy needs from renewables.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://worldfuturecouncil.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Climate_and_Energy/Cities/Policy_Handbook_Online_Version.pdf">http://worldfuturecouncil.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Climate_and_Energy/Cities/Policy_Handbook_Online_Version.pdf</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The British Ecological Society (BES) provides an outline of the EU 2030 climate framework agreement made at an EU summit in Brussels. Environment ministers from across the EU held talks which resulted in a deal requiring greenhouse gas emissions be cut across the EU as a whole by 40% by 2030, compared with 1990 levels.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/blog/2014/10/27/eu-climate-targets-whats-the-deal/">http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/blog/2014/10/27/eu-climate-targets-whats-the-deal/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UK government bows to pressure on supply chain slavery: After more than a year of controversy the UK's Modern Slavery Bill is going global.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/uk-government-bows-pressure-supply-chain-slavery-0?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+311014&amp;utm_term=No+Tricks+just+Treats&amp;utm_content=42046&amp;gator_td=%2fyQrO9LUprRaOufou066XtQnhKjCVZwj5PGIo56vHz%2b1cYdde1xLZoI5E9Y2%2fxaSNO6W%2fZ8IS5f3AyqfKWKBi3WkMTIxdW%2fcuZ%2bKth%2bW%2f06imY9xtCf8Tligv0X3FGNTjYKaRlw5m2WDwYKnhRTH0el41SZ5fAUSAXMa8QDdm%2bplHkUq7tXrlxwMQLFxYEjXmr%2fri3sNKI8bYG2CNkoNaeNYt6061Eg1D02KicWje%2fQ%3d">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/uk-government-bows-pressure-supply-chain-slavery-0?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+311014&amp;utm_term=No+Tricks+just+Treats&amp;utm_content=42046&amp;gator_td=%2fyQrO9LUprRaOufou066XtQnhKjCVZwj5PGIo56vHz%2b1cYdde1xLZoI5E9Y2%2fxaSNO6W%2fZ8IS5f3AyqfKWKBi3WkMTIxdW%2fcuZ%2bKth%2bW%2f06imY9xtCf8Tligv0X3FGNTjYKaRlw5m2WDwYKnhRTH0el41SZ5fAUSAXMa8QDdm%2bplHkUq7tXrlxwMQLFxYEjXmr%2fri3sNKI8bYG2CNkoNaeNYt6061Eg1D02KicWje%2fQ%3d</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The UN reaffirmed the importance of women's empowerment for global peace and security at this year's annual review of resolution 1325.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.securitycouncilreport.org/atf/ctf/%7B65BFCF9B-6D27-4E9C-8CD3-CF6E4FF96FF9%7D/s_2014_693.pdf">http://www.securitycouncilreport.org/atf/ctf/%7B65BFCF9B-6D27-4E9C-8CD3-CF6E4FF96FF9%7D/s_2014_693.pdf</a>  <a href="http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/gender#.VIArOCI_tlg">http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/gender#.VIArOCI_tlg</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How 3D printing is set to shake up manufacturing supply chains:</b> In the future we'll print our own smartphone cases while manufacturers print more complex goods like vehicles for same-day collection. With increasing adoption, the technology will revolutionise manufacturing as well as the supply chain and logistics processes which surround it.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/nov/25/how-3d-printing-is-set-to-shake-up-manufacturing-supply-chains?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/nov/25/how-3d-printing-is-set-to-shake-up-manufacturing-supply-chains?CMP=new_1194</a>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The final document of the International Conference “Unlocking the potential of Social Economy for EU Growth” is now available.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://socialeconomyrome.it/">http://socialeconomyrome.it/</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is Buy Nothing Day? People around the world spend one whole day a year without spending! Why on Earth would they do such a thing?</li> </ul>	<a href="http://miracle-kids.net/en/report/2014/rpt_id000160.html">http://miracle-kids.net/en/report/2014/rpt_id000160.html</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thirty nations meeting in Berlin have pledged \$9.3bn (£6bn) for a fund to help developing countries cut emissions and prepare for climate change.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-30132554">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-30132554</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Better growth, better climate: the New Climate Economy report by the by: The Global Commission on the Economy and Climate (2014) is now available.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://static.newclimateeconomy.report/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/NCE_GlobalReport.pdf">http://static.newclimateeconomy.report/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/NCE_GlobalReport.pdf</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Ethical Corporation Responsible Business Awards 2014 winners have been announced.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/people-careers/annual-awards-%E2%80%93-ethical-corporation-responsible-business-awards-2014?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+211114&amp;utm_term=Partnerships+%E2%80%93Tea+scheme+aims+to+protect+children&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=di9HJyL%2fdFUGdefBX2WzXIVaORMNwxneQrm4Ck2PPhuy4sg1rZziCBlnqryzjB5%2blETspXPjXz0HBkZIXReD65JDEAWk7ZudBwmD3lzx22sSjiromd8CVNrUf%2bsaHnmZ54lgyj9zErflrnF2LMpo4NwrODl%2bLa%2bfmeXlDaA7lxYpr%2b%2benHVdwASIAuCWt0k0PRrcRPJZQaEhzexKTMT9wXaYxGPtj55T7m7oo4%3d">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/people-careers/annual-awards-%E2%80%93-ethical-corporation-responsible-business-awards-2014?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+211114&amp;utm_term=Partnerships+%E2%80%93Tea+scheme+aims+to+protect+children&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=di9HJyL%2fdFUGdefBX2WzXIVaORMNwxneQrm4Ck2PPhuy4sg1rZziCBlnqryzjB5%2blETspXPjXz0HBkZIXReD65JDEAWk7ZudBwmD3lzx22sSjiromd8CVNrUf%2bsaHnmZ54lgyj9zErflrnF2LMpo4NwrODl%2bLa%2bfmeXlDaA7lxYpr%2b%2benHVdwASIAuCWt0k0PRrcRPJZQaEhzexKTMT9wXaYxGPtj55T7m7oo4%3d</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to achieve fair wages in the fashion industry: In light of the recent feminist T-shirt scandal, experts share their thoughts on achieving fairer wages for workers in countries that supply to the fashion industry.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/sustainable-fashion-blog/2014/nov/18/fair-wages-fashion-industry-expert-opinion?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/sustainable-fashion-blog/2014/nov/18/fair-wages-fashion-industry-expert-opinion?CMP=new_1194</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The IUCN World Parks Congress 2014 World Leaders' Dialogues - 'A Balancing Act' is now available to view.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://worldparkscongress.org/">http://worldparkscongress.org/</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzv3onkp_2c&amp;feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzv3onkp_2c&amp;feature=youtu.be</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will green chemistry save us from toxification? A swath of green chemistry initiatives could revolutionise the industry but just taking the toxic stuff out isn't the answer, ingredients and design need to change.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/sep/24/green-chemistry-save-toxification-chemicals-business?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/sep/24/green-chemistry-save-toxification-chemicals-business?CMP=new_1194</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cancel developing countries' debt in exchange for climate change action: As the effects of climate change worsen and developing countries bear the brunt, could debt relief be a way to finance climate action?</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/sep/26/cancel-developing-countries-national-debt--climate-change-action?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/sep/26/cancel-developing-countries-national-debt--climate-change-action?CMP=new_1194</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blood in your mobile: Implications for the electronics industry of human rights violations in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/blood-your-mobile?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+031014&amp;utm_term=The+winners+of+the+EC+Awards+have+been+announced!&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=FS8BefkD0wujNzrI6fxqC16BP0dID9AQ0%2f7wpNirYfse0YLtILG5TD6UBbzQWBBcnNyqIj8xtTyzCQK7yEXKmOD95QEbdan%2b3jGHzi%2fdgjPkIcDedTkd1OSA7jONwU8o%2bLcvDIY7nFQ%2fe666XuNgr55AHLfQsI4GY0JygoHrcDNh8p%2f2XOynQY%2b%2bf%2f5G7zJJ8t7bx4piUA7XLsRqGMtGkLhfHydWQ0TbI9PTL9dn8MU%3d">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/blood-your-mobile?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+031014&amp;utm_term=The+winners+of+the+EC+Awards+have+been+announced!&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=FS8BefkD0wujNzrI6fxqC16BP0dID9AQ0%2f7wpNirYfse0YLtILG5TD6UBbzQWBBcnNyqIj8xtTyzCQK7yEXKmOD95QEbdan%2b3jGHzi%2fdgjPkIcDedTkd1OSA7jONwU8o%2bLcvDIY7nFQ%2fe666XuNgr55AHLfQsI4GY0JygoHrcDNh8p%2f2XOynQY%2b%2bf%2f5G7zJJ8t7bx4piUA7XLsRqGMtGkLhfHydWQ0TbI9PTL9dn8MU%3d</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Role of business in disappearance of 50% of world's wildlife: From the growth of palm oil to the popularity of rhino horn as a status commodity, business can take its share of responsibility for the species loss statistics in WWF's latest Living Planet 2014 report.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/blog/2014/oct/09/role-business-disappearance-50-worlds-wildlife-wwf-report?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/blog/2014/oct/09/role-business-disappearance-50-worlds-wildlife-wwf-report?CMP=new_1194</a> <a href="http://wwf.panda.org/about_our_earth/all_publications/living_planet_report/">http://wwf.panda.org/about_our_earth/all_publications/living_planet_report/</a>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hawaiian mission to Mars will explore the furthest frontiers of sustainability:</b> Six people are entering a geodesic dome in Hawaii for eight months to simulate a mission to Mars and push the boundaries of sustainability.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/blog/2014/oct/15/hawaiian-mission-to-mars-explore-furthest-frontiers-sustainability?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/blog/2014/oct/15/hawaiian-mission-to-mars-explore-furthest-frontiers-sustainability?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modern slavery and the role of business:</b> Companies can exercise measures to detect and address slavery in their supply chains. Slavery in corporate supply chains conflicts with running a responsible business, one that is based on ethical values such as dignity, justice, fairness, equality, integrity, respect, and responsibility.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/modern-slavery-and-role-business?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+171014&amp;utm_term=Modern+slavery+and+the+role+of+business&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=oqz0JSMONNcANsktbIXRoTRDoD2hDdLiyi4a96qIG6BV%2brT13pJOBKZiJZ9tdbMopQX5itG2LEZwj8zQTE9%2bKM9i%2f4tMPEJauusHxX6batjrFvgmFNxtLb95wFr7ZTCzSvxcG2o5ktvScnT093Atvdr6mLY0iqWxOU6U6ba8Hf4b1YEsFKYnKmQ0qPUKqTOFrXu6eYpBfMoFr0UFUI%2fgMxRivnLQzLjvEYgyOrskA%3d">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/supply-chains/modern-slavery-and-role-business?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=EC+News+171014&amp;utm_term=Modern+slavery+and+the+role+of+business&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=oqz0JSMONNcANsktbIXRoTRDoD2hDdLiyi4a96qIG6BV%2brT13pJOBKZiJZ9tdbMopQX5itG2LEZwj8zQTE9%2bKM9i%2f4tMPEJauusHxX6batjrFvgmFNxtLb95wFr7ZTCzSvxcG2o5ktvScnT093Atvdr6mLY0iqWxOU6U6ba8Hf4b1YEsFKYnKmQ0qPUKqTOFrXu6eYpBfMoFr0UFUI%2fgMxRivnLQzLjvEYgyOrskA%3d</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Waste-free, Willy Wonka packaging is coming but are consumers ready for it?</b> From edible water bottles to yoghurt encased in fruit flavoured skins, the packaging industry is getting creative, but psychological barriers persist.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/21/waste-free-willy-wonka-packaging-consumers?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/21/waste-free-willy-wonka-packaging-consumers?CMP=new_1194</a>  <a href="http://www.wikipearl.com/#wikipearl">http://www.wikipearl.com/#wikipearl</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Restricting population growth</b> will not solve global issues of sustainability in the short term, new research says. A worldwide one-child policy would mean the number of people in 2100 remained around current levels, according to a study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-29788754">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-29788754</a>  <a href="http://www.pnas.org/content/111/46/16610">http://www.pnas.org/content/111/46/16610</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Iron ore and rare earth metals mining: an industry under siege?</b> Resource scarcity and human rights issues surrounding metals extraction, coupled with unrelenting global demand mean the industry is facing some tough realities.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/24/iron-ore-rare-earth-metals-mining?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/oct/24/iron-ore-rare-earth-metals-mining?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Japan Celebrates One Year Completely Nuclear-free: Second Phase of Energy [R]evolution Begins.</b></li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id032737.html">http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id032737.html</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You wash with it, you brush with it, you toast it, it's in 50% of what you buy – but what's the real story of palm oil? Use the interactive to trace the journey of palm oil from the rainforest through to your kitchen cupboard.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/ng-interactive/2014/nov/10/palm-oil-rainforest-cupboard-interactive?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/ng-interactive/2014/nov/10/palm-oil-rainforest-cupboard-interactive?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Giving to charity</b>, not shopping for stuff, is the way most of us think about supporting international development. But what else besides? From small social enterprises to big labels, take a look at five examples of consumer brands trying to harness the power of High Street to benefit low-income communities around the world.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/nov/10/consumers-shopping-solar-ebola-gucci-water-giving-tuesday?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/nov/10/consumers-shopping-solar-ebola-gucci-water-giving-tuesday?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Improving water stewardship in Bangladesh's textile industry:</b> Water shortages, weak enforcement by regulatory bodies plus heavy water use in Bangladesh's textile sector mean standards need to be raised and stewardship prioritised.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/hm-partner-zone/2014/oct/30/improving-water-stewardship-in-bangladeshs-textile-industry?CMP=new_1194">http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/hm-partner-zone/2014/oct/30/improving-water-stewardship-in-bangladeshs-textile-industry?CMP=new_1194</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Carbon emissions: past, present and future: an interactive.</b> As the UN climate talks open in Lima to agree on a draft text for a treaty in Paris next year, here is a timeline of world's top 20 emitters of carbon dioxide since the dawn of industrialisation dominated by UK and US.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.theguardian.com/environment/ng-interactive/2014/dec/01/carbon-emissions-past-present-and-future-interactive">http://www.theguardian.com/environment/ng-interactive/2014/dec/01/carbon-emissions-past-present-and-future-interactive</a>  <a href="http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2014/nov/30/lima-climate-change-talks-global-warming-lima-peru">http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2014/nov/30/lima-climate-change-talks-global-warming-lima-peru</a></p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Economic indicators that omit the depletion and degradation of natural resources and ecosystems are misleading</b>, according to a commentary by <b>University of Wyoming economist Edward Barbier</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2014/11/uws-barbier-natural-capital-depreciation-necessary-in-measuring-economic-wealth.html">http://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2014/11/uws-barbier-natural-capital-depreciation-necessary-in-measuring-economic-wealth.html</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>UN says global carbon neutrality should be reached by second half of century</b> and demonstrates <b>pathways to stay under 2°C limit</b>. The total <b>greenhouse gas emissions</b> including <b>non-CO<sub>2</sub></b> must shrink to <b>net zero by 2100</b> and the <b>emissions gap</b> may widen by <b>2030</b> but <b>low carbon path offers opportunities for the future</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11082">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11082</a>  <a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11082#sthash.AL6CTLlf.dpuf">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11082#sthash.AL6CTLlf.dpuf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A new <b>UNEP Report</b> unveils that the world is on track to meet the <b>2020 target for Protected Areas on Land and Sea</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11070&amp;l=en">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11070&amp;l=en</a>  <a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11070&amp;l=en#sthash.ixzaM0xl.dpuf">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11070&amp;l=en#sthash.ixzaM0xl.dpuf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)</b> and the <b>Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)</b> have signed a <b>Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)</b> that aims to <b>raise the global awareness of sustainable palm oil</b> and <b>generate market demand</b> for an <b>important commodity</b> that has the <b>potential to play a key role in preserving the Earth's biodiversity</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11071&amp;l=en">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11071&amp;l=en</a>  <a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11071&amp;l=en#sthash.RpVQvae.dpuf">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11071&amp;l=en#sthash.RpVQvae.dpuf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The world is locked into ~1.5C warming and risks are rising, a new climate report finds</b>. The report explores the risks <b>worsening climate change</b> poses to <b>lives and livelihoods</b> across three regions: <b>Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, and the Middle East and North Africa</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11084&amp;l=en">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11084&amp;l=en</a>  <a href="http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11084&amp;l=en#sthash.kPpsBlyx.dpuf">http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=2812&amp;ArticleID=11084&amp;l=en#sthash.kPpsBlyx.dpuf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Emissions Gap Report 2014: a UNEP synthesis report</b>. Over the past four years the “<b>emissions gap</b>” series published by the <b>United Nations Environment Programme</b> has analysed the <b>size of the gap</b> and has provided <b>insights on options to close it</b>. This <b>fifth report provides an updated measure of the emissions gap</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="file:///C:/Users/lc17/Downloads/-The%20Emissions%20Gap%20Report%202014-%20a%20UNEP%20synthesis%20report-November%202014EGR_2014_Lowres.pdf">file:///C:/Users/lc17/Downloads/-The%20Emissions%20Gap%20Report%202014-%20a%20UNEP%20synthesis%20report-November%202014EGR_2014_Lowres.pdf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Are You Eating Plastic for Dinner?</b> This <b>novel 3-D animation</b> dives into how our <b>consumption of plastics</b> has affected <b>marine species deaths</b> and <b>increased human health risks</b>, and it explores <b>possible long-term solutions</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>Source: Markus Milne via Facebook and National Geographic  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=601887116607678">https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=601887116607678</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Australia was the worst performing industrial country</b> in terms of <b>climate change in 2014</b>, a new report has said. The report by <b>two non-government organisations</b> said the <b>poor ranking</b> was due in part to <b>policy changes</b> made by the <b>current coalition government</b>. The <b>Climate Change Performance Index</b> ranks <b>emissions and climate policies</b> of the <b>58 highest CO<sub>2</sub> emitters worldwide</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-australia-30389737">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-australia-30389737</a>  <a href="https://germanwatch.org/en/download/10407.pdf">https://germanwatch.org/en/download/10407.pdf</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A <b>legally-binding international treaty may not be the best way to tackle climate change</b>. Leading economist <b>Lord Nicholas Stern</b> said that a <b>commitment to sustainable development</b> was <b>more important</b> than a <b>binding deal</b> that “<b>lacked credibility</b>”. He was speaking in <b>Lima, Peru</b>, where negotiators from <b>194 countries</b> are <b>heading into a second week of UN talks</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-30373738">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-30373738</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>GRI and UNICEF</b> encouraged companies in <b>Latin America</b> to <b>incorporate children’s rights</b> in their <b>sustainability reporting efforts</b>, during an event in <b>San José, Costa Rica</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/CHILDREN%E2%80%99S-RIGHTS-IN-SUSTAINABILITY-REPORTING.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2UJPU,HU5A8R,ABVLE,1">https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/CHILDREN%E2%80%99S-RIGHTS-IN-SUSTAINABILITY-REPORTING.aspx?dm_i=4J5,2UJPU,HU5A8R,ABVLE,1</a></p>

## Other Issues (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Unilever and Shift</b> are pleased to announce collaboration in support of the <b>Human Rights Reporting and Assurance Frameworks Initiative (RAFI)</b>. RAFI is a <b>global initiative</b> to promote <b>transparency in how companies meet their responsibility to respect human rights</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/press-release-unilever-and-rafi-collaborate-advance-corporate-reporting-hum?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=1679+ShiftShot+290914&amp;utm_term=Unilever+and+RAFI+collaborate+to+advance+corporate+reporting+on+human+rights&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=MF1UAwo9tvZFbT7%2bl7lVbVcLjBKL00cgp9j1bEM9mJX0NTdeuu2CFCblheSffQ%2fGOJ30zD4mqDySwFywsCK3a%2fax0AAE6SNitLzQFiCR5rXPhQ7Gcbioqc7BqKABetzrcoqbTD%2fOAJ7Uk0RMNm%2fUvUuEU8hv3vfti%2fj35xWD8SFTAa09m9NuR2xW1SLJ6o66r9JMTENNjWHVPyquUWe%2bw10alz233ISzDwjEviS878rhNPWqltjXIKq8sEv">http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/press-release-unilever-and-rafi-collaborate-advance-corporate-reporting-hum?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationlz%2f&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=1679+ShiftShot+290914&amp;utm_term=Unilever+and+RAFI+collaborate+to+advance+corporate+reporting+on+human+rights&amp;utm_content=434583&amp;gator_td=MF1UAwo9tvZFbT7%2bl7lVbVcLjBKL00cgp9j1bEM9mJX0NTdeuu2CFCblheSffQ%2fGOJ30zD4mqDySwFywsCK3a%2fax0AAE6SNitLzQFiCR5rXPhQ7Gcbioqc7BqKABetzrcoqbTD%2fOAJ7Uk0RMNm%2fUvUuEU8hv3vfti%2fj35xWD8SFTAa09m9NuR2xW1SLJ6o66r9JMTENNjWHVPyquUWe%2bw10alz233ISzDwjEviS878rhNPWqltjXIKq8sEv</a>  <a href="http://business-humanrights.org/en/business-and-human-rights-reporting-and-assurance-frameworks-initiative-rafi">http://business-humanrights.org/en/business-and-human-rights-reporting-and-assurance-frameworks-initiative-rafi</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>World Economic Forum</b> has identified “<b>water crises</b>” as one of the <b>top ten issues of greatest concern</b> to the <b>global economy in 2014</b>. What is causing these crises and how do we address them? Through research supported by the <b>Rockefeller Foundation in 2014</b>, <b>SustainAbility</b> explored the <b>challenges faced by freshwater and freshwater ecosystems</b> globally due to <b>growing sectoral competition</b>—between <b>agricultural, industrial and municipal users—for limited water</b>. This paper <b>illuminates some of the most innovative approaches to protect, preserve and replenish freshwater ecosystems</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.sustainability.com/library/evaporating-asset?utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=Whats%20Next%20%20Where%20to%20Find%20the%20Sustainability%20Team%20This%20Fall&amp;utm_content=Whats%20Next%20%20Where%20to%20Find%20the%20Sustainability%20Team%20This%20Fall+CID_3926e4a1798fef75ca269786278efcb9&amp;utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&amp;utm_term=Evaporating%20Asset#.VIAI4SI_tlg">http://www.sustainability.com/library/evaporating-asset?utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=Whats%20Next%20%20Where%20to%20Find%20the%20Sustainability%20Team%20This%20Fall&amp;utm_content=Whats%20Next%20%20Where%20to%20Find%20the%20Sustainability%20Team%20This%20Fall+CID_3926e4a1798fef75ca269786278efcb9&amp;utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&amp;utm_term=Evaporating%20Asset#.VIAI4SI_tlg</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>third United Nations’ Business and Human Rights Forum</b> has highlighted the <b>challenges of implementing the UN Guiding Principles in the mining and metals industry</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/GuidingPrinciplesBusinessHR_EN.pdf">http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/GuidingPrinciplesBusinessHR_EN.pdf</a>  <a href="http://www.icmm.com/united-nations-business-and-human-rights-forum">http://www.icmm.com/united-nations-business-and-human-rights-forum</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Routledge Sustainability Hub is now live!</b> This an <b>online knowledge centre for the global sustainability community</b>. It offers a wide range of resources for everyone, whether you are teaching, discovering, or working in sustainability. The Hub features a <b>wide variety of materials carefully selected for anyone interested in sustainability</b>.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.routledgetextbooks.com/textbooks/sustainability/">http://www.routledgetextbooks.com/textbooks/sustainability/</a></p>

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