

'CSEAR E-Newsletter' – June 2015

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"> The Reg Mathews Memorial Prize 2014 has been won by Francisco Ascui for his paper A Review of Carbon Accounting in the Social and Environmental Accounting Literature: What Can it Contribute to the Debate? The paper was printed in SEAJ Volume 34, Number 1, pp. 6-29. 	http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/seaj/contents/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2nd Emerging Scholars Colloquium will be held on 24 August 2015 and will be immediately followed by the 27th International Congress on Social and Environmental Accounting Research from 25 – 27 August 2015. This year's conference and ESC will be hosted by Professor Jeffrey Unerman and the School of Management at the Royal Holloway University of London. Whilst the deadline for the submission of Abstracts has now passed, registration for delegates is still open. Details of the conference and how to register will be available on the conference website. 	http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/conferences/forthcoming/#d.en.253297
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following on from the election held in May, we are delighted to announce that Matias Laine (University of Tampere, Finland) will be the new joint Editor of SEAJ from January 2016. Congratulations Matias! Our warmest thanks and best wishes go to the outgoing joint Editor Professor John Ferguson (University of St Andrews) whose term finishes on 31 December 2015. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CSEAR Council is rolling out its new Research Bulletin initiative. This is a service where by members can publicise their recent publications via the CSEAR website. All that is required is a simply summary submitted via the research bulletin form (see attached document) to csear@st-andrews.ac.uk The information submitted will be regularly uploaded to a dedicated page on the website which will be accessible by all members. 	See attached document for completion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 4th CSEAR South America will be held from 29-30 June 2015 at Universidade Federal da Bahia (UFBA), Salvador, Brazil. Registration for those not presenting a paper is still open until 25 June 2015. 	http://www.csear.ufba.br/artigos/en.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 10th CSEAR Spain Conference on Social and Environmental Accounting Research will be held the 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. Registration for the conference is still open. 	Please see attached call for papers and information about participation in the workshop. Full details can be found on their website: www.upo.es/congresos/csear-spain2015/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CSEAR Australasia 2015 (A-CSEAR) will take place from 11-12 December 2015 at Macquarie Graduate School of Management, Macquarie University, NSW, Australia, and a first call for papers has been issued. The deadline for submission is 21st May 2015. An Emerging Scholars Colloquium will be held the day before the conference on 10 December 2015. Details of the conference and ESC can be found on the conference website. 	http://academic-conferences.org/pdfs/ACSEAR/ACSEAR_2015-ESC_%20Advert.pdf http://academic-conferences.org/acsear/acsear2015/acsear15-call-papers.htm

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In conjunction with A-CSEAR this year a Special section call for papers from Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal has been released on <i>Accounting for (in)equitable organisations and societies</i>. The guest editors will be James Hazelton, Department of Accounting and Corporate Governance, Macquarie University, Sydney and Dale Tweedie, International Governance and Performance (IGAP) Research Centre, Macquarie University, Sydney. The closing date for submissions to the Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal special section is 31st March, 2016. 	<p>Please see attached call for papers</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VI CSEAR Italian Conference will be held in September 2016 at the University of Parma. 	<p>http://en.unipr.it/</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following on from the successful 1st workshop held in parallel with the 26th CSEAR Conference in St Andrews, Markus Milne, Shona Russell and Colin Dey have issued a call for papers for the 2nd Ecological Accounts Workshop: Making non-human worlds (in)visible during moments of socio-ecological transformation which will be held during the Critical Management Studies Conference 2015: 'Is there an alternative? Management after critique', conference 8-10 July 2015, in Leicester. 	<p>http://arts.st-andrews.ac.uk/ecological-accounts/ see attached pdf</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next special issue of SEAJ will be on Social Enterprise, Accountability and Social Accounting with Special issue editors: Hannele Mäkelä, University of Tampere; Ericka Costa, University of Trento; and Jane Gibbon, Newcastle University. Authors interested in contributing to this Special Issue of SEAJ should follow the 'Instructions for Authors' at www.tandfonline.com/reaaj and submit their manuscripts to the SEAJ online submission system (http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/reaaj) selecting this special issue no later than 31st January 2016. Review papers and commentaries are also welcome until the 30th of July 2016. Authors are encouraged to contact the Guest Editors to discuss proposed topics: Hannele Mäkelä (hannele.makela@uta.fi); Jane Gibbon (jane.gibbon@ncl.ac.uk) and Ericka Costa (ericka.cost@unitn.it). 	<p>Please see attached pdf</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charl de Villiers, Leonardo Rinaldi, and Jeffrey Unerman are guest editors for a special issue of AAAJ on Case study insights from the implementation of Integrated Reporting. Please find the call for papers attached. 	<p>See attached call for papers</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invitation: CSEAR Blog seeking guest bloggers: Do you write blogs or tweet about your research? Would you like to share short overviews or updates with others in the CSEAR communities? The CSEAR Blog is looking for guest contributors to write up to 500 words on their research. If you have something to contribute or would like to find out more about the CSEAR blog please contact Colin Dey or Shona Russell. 	<p>http://csearweb.blogspot.co.uk/ Colin Dey: colin.dey@stirl.ac.uk Shona Russell: sr65@st-andrews.ac.uk</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Invitation to Submit Article and Book Reviews for SEAJ: 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. We welcome contributions from both senior and emerging academics. While we are open to a broad range of literature relevant to the SEAJ readers being reviewed, we do focus on reviews of recent publications. We also ask that you contact one of the review team (details below) 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. Reviews are generally 300-350 words, however can be longer in the case of a book review. We look forward to hearing from you (or your postgraduate students) soon with a suggested review. Regards, The SEAJ Review Team. 	<p>Conny Beck cornelia.beck@sydney.edu Helen Tregidga helen.tregidga@aut.ac.nz Matias Laine Matias.Laine@staff.uta.fi</p>
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Call for Papers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for Proposals: Sustainability Reporting: How can businesses effectively report sustainability activities and impacts to meet their stakeholders' informational needs? Funding of \$15,000 USD is available to cover expenses. Budgets exceeding this amount will be considered. The Deadline for submissions is July 6, 2015. The project will begin in July 2015. The final report will be due in February 2016. Dissemination efforts will continue throughout 2016. Please direct any questions and submit your proposal to sustainabilityreporting@nbs.net. 	<p>http://nbs.net/call-for-proposals-sustainability-reporting/?utm_source=Reporting+CFP-140526&utm_campaign=RU+Reporting+CFP&utm_medium=email</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please find attached a first call for papers for the BAFA Scottish Area Group Annual Conference, to be held at the University of Edinburgh Business School on 1st Sept 2015. In addition to the annual conference, the University of Edinburgh Business School will also be hosting a Doctoral Colloquium on Monday 31st of August, 2015. 	<p>See attached call for papers</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Editorial Board of GEMRev are glad to invite submissions for the Special Issue "Doing Well by Doing Good. Innovation for transformation". Authors interested in the topic, who could not attend the World Business Networking Conference, are now invited to submit directly for the Special Issue. Deadline for submissions: June 30th, 2015. 	<p>http://www.journals.elsevier.com/global-economics-and-management-review/</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What are the alternatives? Organizing for a socially and ecologically sustainable world. This special issue seeks to explore the myriad of alternative ways of organizing that are striving to address the social and environmental challenges we currently face. 	<p>http://www.ephemerajournal.org/content/what-are-alternatives-organizing-socially-and-ecologically-sustainable-world</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Money & Management (PMM) theme on Managing and accounting for sustainable development across generations in public services: Guest editors: Suzana Grubnic, Ian Thomson and Georgios Georgakopoulos. Prospective authors are invited to submit papers for refereeing to the theme editors by 1 September 2016. 	<p>See attached pdf</p>

Call for Papers (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journal of Management Policies and Practices is a double blind peer reviewed international academic journal that publishes scientific research papers on the policies and contemporary practices of management. 	Email: editor@aripd.org .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Journal of Business, Humanities and Technology is an open access, peer-reviewed and refereed multidisciplinary journal published by Center for Promoting Ideas (CPI), USA. The objective of IJBHT is to provide a forum for the publication of scientific articles in the fields of business, humanities and technology. 	<p>Send your manuscript to the editor at editor@ijbhtnet.com</p> <p>For more information, visit the official website of the journal www.ijbhtnet.com</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Journal of Corporate Citizenship is pleased to invite papers for a special issue of the JCC on 'Japanese Approaches to CSR. 	www.greenleaf-publishing.com/jcc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new Journal of Environmental Accounting and Management, a peer-reviewed publication that aims at linking environment and ecological science with complex system theory. 	http://lhscientificpublishing.com/journals/JEAM-Default.aspx
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Journal of Human Resource and Sustainability Studies is an international journal dedicated to the latest advancements related to topics of human resource, work, and ecological sustainability. 	http://www.scirp.org/Journal/AimScope.aspx?JournalID=2421&utm_source=E&utm_medium=cpJHRSS20130617&utm_campaign=aimScope
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journal of Accounting & Marketing is an academic journal providing an opportunity to share information amongst scientists and researchers. 	http://www.omicsgroup.org/journals/accounting-marketing.php
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Contemporary Business Research is an international journal concerned with the contemporary operation of business systems and enterprises. 	http://rcbrnet.com/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Journal of Business and Social Science (IJBSS) is a monthly peer reviewed journal published by Center for Promoting Ideas (CPI), USA. 	http://www.ijbssnet.com/

Other Conferences

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th International Conference on the Restructuring of the Global Economy (ROGE) in association with the Centre for Innovative leadership Navigation (CILN), UK 22-23rd June, Rome-Italy. 	http://www.abrmr.com/conference_detail.php?id=141
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning For Climate Change Conference Series 25th June 2015 LONDON and 28th October 2015 DUBLIN. 	http://www.planforclimatechange.co.uk/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICSDEM 2015 the First International Conference for Sustainable Development and Management, 28 - 30 June 2015, Hong Kong. 	http://www.iasdm.org/conferences/icsdem2015/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meditari Accountancy Research European Conference and Doctoral Colloquium 2015 2-3 July 2015, University of Bologna, Italy School of Economics, Management and Statistics – Forlì Campus. 	See attached pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th Annual International Conference on Business Strategy and Asian Economic Transformation (BizStrategy 2015), 27-28th July 2015, Singapore. 	http://biz-strategy.org/

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academy of Management, Vancouver, August 2015. 	http://aom.org/annualmeeting/submission/call/one/pdw/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance (CSEF), the Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF) and the Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics (SITE) [CSEF-EIEF-SITE] Conference on Finance and Labor, 28-30 August 2015, Rome. 	Enquiries to Ms. Susana Palomar at susana.palomar@eief.it
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference, University of Exeter, from Tuesday 1 September to Friday 4 September 2015. The overarching theme for the conference is 'Geographies of the Anthropocene' and aims to bring the physical geography and climate science communities together to explore the rich array of work engaging this powerful idea and its consequences. 	http://www.rgs.org/WhatsOn/ConferencesAndSeminars/Annual+International+Conference/Annual+international+conference.htm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Symposium on Climate Change Adaptation 2015 2nd-4th September 2015, Manchester, UK. 	http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/wscca-2015.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The African Accounting and Finance Association (AAFA) Conference, Le Meridien Hotel, Balaclava, Mauritius, 2nd - 4th September, 2015. 	See attached call for papers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Tilburg Law and Economics Center (TILEC) two-day Workshop on "Economic Governance and Social Preferences, September 3 and 4, 2015, the Netherlands. 	http://www.tilburguniversity.edu/tilec/governance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Symposium on Climate Change Adaption (WSCCA-2015), 2-4 September 2015, Manchester, United Kingdom. 	http://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/wscca-2015.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ESRC STEPS Centre annual conference: Resource Politics: transforming pathways to sustainability, Institute of Development Studies on 7-9 September 2015. 	http://resourcepolitics2015.com/2015/01/12/call/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Conference on Institutional Leadership and Learning & Teaching (ILTT), London-UK, 14-15th September 2015. 	https://www.bam.ac.uk/civCRM/event/info?reset=1&id=2946
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global Equality and Diversity Conference and Broadcast (GED) November 12th 2015, London UK (Theme: Experiencing Diversity in the Workplace). 	http://www.neilstewartassociates.com/GEDconference2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for papers- 'Beyond' Transition? Understanding and Achieving Sustainable Consumption through Social Innovation' The European branch of the Sustainable Consumption Research and Action Initiative (SCORAI Europe) and the Transformative Social Innovation Theory (TRANSIT) project are jointly organising a one-day workshop at the Impact Hub, Vienna on 17 November 2015. 	http://www.kingston.ac.uk/events/item/1667/17-nov-2015-scorai-europe-transit-workshop-vienna/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The International Conference on Organization and Management (ICOM) in collaboration with Asia Academy of Management, will be held on November 22-23, 2015 at the InterContinental Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE. The ICOM2015 will also organize a Doctoral Colloquium. 	http://www.adu.ac.ae/icom2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for case studies- World Forum on Natural Capital The second World Forum on Natural Capital will take place in Edinburgh on 23rd-24th November 2015. 	http://naturalcapitalforum.com/news/article/call-for-case-studies-now-closed/

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th Annual International Conference on Innovation and Entrepreneurship, 14-15 December, Singapore. 	http://www.ie-conf.org/index.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EURAM 2016 Conference "Manageable Cooperation?" will be held in Paris, June 1 – 4 2016. 	http://euram-online.org/annual-conference-2016.html

Accounting and Reporting

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What will it take to put circular thinking into practice? If we thought about material reuse during the product design stage, we'd realize more value, say advocates of circular economy thinking. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/what-will-it-take-put-circular-thinking-practice?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTsBml%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How British Columbia gained by putting a price on carbon: Seven years ago, British Columbia became the first jurisdiction in North America to adopt an economy-wide carbon tax — a move that cut fossil fuel use without hurting the economy. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-british-columbia-gained-putting-price-carbon?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv6nKZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTsJkl%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When it comes to CSR, ethics can be murkier than they seem. Certainty is galvanizing and gets things done — but do the standards that we set help us decide which things are worth doing? 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/when-it-comes-csr-ethics-can-be-murkier-they-seem?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuKTPZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcBml%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of Green Business: Money flows where sustainability grows. Evolving risk calculations and increased emphasis on long-term growth prospects are helping sustainability's case for capital. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/state-green-business-money-flows-where-sustainability-grows?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuKTMZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcBjI%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CSR is dead, part 3: Blazing a trail to business transformation. How can closing the CSR department down make the entire company sustainable? 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/csr-dead-part-3-blazing-trail-business-transformation?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuKTMZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcBjI%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 megatrends that will unleash value in the circular economy: On every level, from consumer demographics to supply chain to societal shifts and more, the business case is strong. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/5-megatrends-will-unleash-value-circular-economy?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuKZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTMBkI%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New online resource for information on the circular economy and related subjects: The Ellen MacArthur Foundation recently launched Circulate, an online location for news and thought-leadership on the circular economy and related subjects. 	http://www.sd-research.org.uk/research-and-resources/new-online-resource-information-circular-economy-and-related-subjects http://circulatenews.org/about/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESDN report on social Innovation in Europe: The link between social innovation and the sustainable development agenda and policies is very apparent, especially with regards to social and equity issues. This report by the European Sustainable Development Network (ESDN) looks at the concept of social innovation and the role of social entrepreneurship in the social innovation discourse. 	http://www.sd-network.eu/?k=quarterly%20reports http://www.sd-network.eu/quarterly%20reports/report%20files/pdf/2015-April-Social_Innovation_in_Europe.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outputs from the PATHWAYS project- 'Exploring transition pathways to sustainable, low carbon societies: PATHWAYS is a project initiated by the European Commission that explores the possibilities for transitions to a low-carbon, sustainable Europe. Its overall objective is to provide policy-makers and other key stakeholders with better insight in on-going and necessary transition pathways for key domains relevant for EU policy. 	http://www.pathways-project.eu/output

Accounting and Reporting (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Energy Agency reports on stalled global energy-related emissions of carbon dioxide for 2014: Data from the International Energy Agency (IEA) indicates that global emissions of carbon dioxide from the energy sector stalled in 2014, marking the first time in 40 years in which there was a halt or reduction in emissions of the greenhouse gas that was not tied to an economic downturn. 	http://www.iea.org/newsroomandevents/news/2015/march/global-energy-related-emissions-of-carbon-dioxide-stalled-in-2014.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNEP report- 'Global Trends in Renewable Energy Investment 2015' A United Nations Environment Programme report released in March by Frankfurt School UNEP Centre and Bloomberg New Energy Finance suggests that renewables are finally becoming a globally significant source of power. 	http://fs-unesp-centre.org/publications/global-trends-renewable-energy-investment-2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Energy Agency- World Energy Outlook Special Report The International Energy Agency has published a special report as part of its World Energy Outlook series, assessing the effect of recent low-carbon energy developments and the climate pledges proposed by various countries ahead of the Conference of the Parties (COP21) to be held in Paris in December 2015. 	http://www.worldenergyoutlook.org/energyclimate/#.dn.143801
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UN Report on 'Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Innovation': A recent report published by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) provides guidance on science, technology and innovation-related policies and practices that can lead to sustainable urbanisation. 	http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/policy/untaskteam_undf/thinkpieces/28_thinkpiece_science.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winners of CR Reporting Awards 2015: The winners of the 8th annual CR Reporting Awards (CRRRA'15) have been announced. These awards recognise the very best in corporate responsibility reporting, and are the only independent, global annual awards in this field. 	http://www.corporateregister.com/crra/help/CRRRA15PressRelease.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Responses to the zero draft text: The publication of the much awaited "zero draft" Sustainable Development Goals text marks an important milestone in the process to agree the post-2015 development agenda. 	https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/7261Post-2015%20Summit%20-%202020June%202015.pdf http://www.eldis.org/go/what-s-new#.VYp28vIvBc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inside GRI's new 'beyond reporting' strategy: The sustainability reporting organization aims to focus on policy, innovation, collaboration and helping companies extract more value from the process. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/inside-gris-new-beyond-reporting-strategy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communities moved for mine worse off - an Oxfam report: The role of Rio Tinto in the forced re-settlement of a community in Mozambique to make way for the Benga Coal Mine has resulted in their severe disadvantage including food and water shortages, loss of economic opportunity, and social fracturing, according to an Oxfam report. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/oxfam-urges-coal-mining-improve-human-rights-management/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The policy brief on social impact measurement for social enterprises, drafted by Antonella Noya (Senior Policy Analyst at the local economic and employment development programme - LEED of the OECD) with the contribution of Euricse, is now published and available for download. 	http://www.oecd.org/industry/Policy-Brief-social-impact.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apple Environmental Progress Report 2015 review: How green the Apple? Apple has won plaudits for its sustainability initiatives, but its environmental reporting is selective and short on measurable targets. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/apple-environmental-progress-report-2015-review-how-green-apple

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GRI (Global Reporting Initiative), together with Fundación ONCE - the leading organization of the European Network for CSR and Disability (CSR+D) - recently launched a new guide to help organizations communicate their commitment to respecting and promoting the rights of people with disabilities. 	https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/DISABILITY-IN-SUSTAINABILITY-REPORTING.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3AGTX,HU5A8R,BRZVN,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximizing synergies between GRI and CDP – water: The GRI and CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Programme) have a long-standing collaboration in the field of water disclosure. The latest linkage guidance reveals how GRI's G4 Guidelines and CDP's water questions (2015) are aligned, improving the consistency and comparability of environmental data, and making corporate reporting more efficient and effective. 	https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/MAXIMIZING-SYNERGIES-BETWEEN-GRI-AND-CDP-WATER.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3AGTX,HU5A8R,BRZVN,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Global Reporting Initiative's strategy 'Our Five Year Focus' which outlines four areas of priority as they look to catalyse a new era for sustainability reporting. 	https://www.globalreporting.org/information/Pages/default.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3G5T5,HU5A8R,CCE5Q,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change is definitely heating up. The CEOs of six European oil companies urged the United Nations to work towards a price on carbon. A new report from the London School of Economics found that the number of climate change laws and policies has doubled every five years, a global trend that businesses should heed and start planning for. And a new report from Greenpeace found a drop in Chinese coal consumption of as much as 8 percent — contrary to expectations that China's coal use would only increase for the foreseeable future. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/dont-fall-behind-more-climate-legislation-rules-world?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohvq7NZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMl%2FoER3fOvrPUfGj4GT8Zn1%2B5LDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D http://energydesk.greenpeace.org/2015/05/14/china-coal-consumption-drops-further-carbon-emissions-set-to-fall-by-equivalent-of-uk-total-in-one-year/ http://www.lse.ac.uk/GranthamInstitute/legislation/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As more companies are embracing sustainability reporting, how can the process be improved so that practitioners have better guidelines? 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/love-hate-relationship-sustainability-reporting?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohv67PZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMl%2FoER3fOvrPUfGj4GT8Zn1%2B5LDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The IIRC (International Integrated Reporting Council) has signed a statement of collaboration with the Climate Disclosure Standards Board (CDSB), timed for the launch of the CDSB Framework for reporting environmental and natural capital information in mainstream financial reports. 	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/launch-framework-for-reporting-environmental-information-natural-capital-registration-4178648450 http://www.cdsb.net/what-we-do/reporting-frameworks/environmental-information-natural-capital
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eight of the world's most prominent organizations in corporate reporting have published a landscape map that provides a snapshot of a comparison of their frameworks, standards and related requirements through the lens of Integrated Reporting. The landscape map is published by the Corporate Reporting Dialogue (CRD). 	http://corporatereportingdialogue.com/ http://www.iasplus.com/en-gb/news/2015/05/crd-landscape-map
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The IIRC has responded to the French Public Sector Accounting Standards Council (CNOCP) public consultation on a conceptual framework for public accounts. 	http://integratedreporting.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/270415-CNOCP-Consultation-Response-from-IIRC.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of corporate social responsibility reporting in today's financial markets is rising. There has been an increase in the number of social reporting requirements driven by regulatory bodies and stock exchanges around the world that have played a key role in advancing the field of social reporting. 	http://hausercenter.org/iri/about/global-csr-disclosure-requirements?id=ca%3a2em%3a3el%3aeng_elq_mid%3d2205&elq_cid=33040%3a2015-EN-FRI-Mar.26.15%3a1073%3a33040
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report Alert is the world's CSR and Sustainability news and report announcement service. 	http://reportalert.com/report_type/csr_report

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainability reports.com is an international portal for sustainability reporting with actual reporting news and annual reports of international companies with non-financial (sustainability) information. Both separated and integrated reports are on this portal. 	http://www.sustainability-reports.com/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ethical Consumer Markets Report 2015 is now available. 	http://www.ethicalconsumer.org/researchhub/ukethicalmarket.aspx
<p>There have been several articles from our good friend and prolific writer Prem Sikka over the last few weeks (http://www.aabaglobal.org/). Here is a round-up of just some of those articles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The UK government has unveiled policies of permanent austerity, which will profoundly reshape the nature of the state and its relationship with citizens and society. This development in the neoliberal project should be of concern to people everywhere. My comment on it is titled "The fundamental accounting error in Osborne's budget plans". It is available at http://leftfootforward.org/2015/06/the-fundamental-accounting-error-in-osbornes-budget-plans/ Remember HSBC, the bank that is synonymous with unethical practices. It is now laying off staff, demanding tax cuts and lighter regulation. If the government does not capitulate, it will cause economic turbulence by relocating. I have an article on this with the title "Instead of laying off thousands of staff, HSBC should focus on becoming a model bank". It is available at https://theconversation.com/instead-of-laying-off-thousands-of-staff-hsbc-should-focus-on-becoming-a-model-bank-43024 Auditing itself has become one of the biggest frauds of modern times. When was the last time company auditors drew attention to fiddles, tax dodging, money laundering or their own complicity in financial misdemeanours? The penalties for delivering duff audits, as demonstrated by the banking crash, are virtually non-existent. Instead of any fundamental reforms there are plenty of gestures about tweaking audit reports and now changing auditors, in effect a merry-go-round among the big accounting firms. I have a comment on this in an article titled "Scandals and regulation lead to an auditing merry-go-round" and it is available at https://theconversation.com/scandals-and-regulation-lead-to-an-auditing-merry-go-round-41904 Tax avoidance has become an issue for the UK election. The Labour Party has given commitment to tackle some aspects. I have a comment stating that it needs to be more ambitious and tackle the tax avoidance industry. The article is titled "Labour pledge to tackle tax avoidance is vital, but it will need to get tough with the industry" and is available at https://theconversation.com/labour-pledge-to-tackle-tax-avoidance-is-vital-but-it-will-need-to-get-tough-with-the-industry-40112 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Featuring in-depth case studies about large companies, <i>Model Behaviour II</i> provides corporate sustainability innovators with tools and tactics to approach business model innovation for sustainability. 	http://www.sustainability.com/library/model-behavior-ii?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Model+Behavior+Announcement&utm_content=Model+Behavior+Announcement+CID_6dgc07c4c8d1e3d04467b8ae62e46f7d&utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&utm_term=Download%20report#.VYkoCmTBzGc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After 21 years, <i>The Sustainability Leaders</i> survey is the longest-running survey of its kind. In this latest edition, they analyse the viewpoints of over 800 sustainability experts, not just on which corporate leaders stand out most, but also, for the first time, which NGOs and national governments are doing the most to drive sustainable development forward. 	http://www.sustainability.com/library/the-2015-sustainability-leaders?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Whats+Next++The+2015+Sustainability+Leaders+Out+Now&utm_content=Whats+Next++The+2015+Sustainability+Leaders+Out+Now+CID_8d16cb22879915c0bd16977e08c9dd8a&utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&utm_term=Download%20report#.VYkooWTBzGc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The UNEP Programme Performance Report, 2014 is now available. 	Please see attached pdf

Finance, Financial Markets and Institutions

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An interview with Morgan Stanley's Audrey Choi on investing sustainably: If you think that investing in an environmentally responsible way requires a trade-off around performance, the CEO of Morgan Stanley's Institute of Sustainable Investing wants to change your mind. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/interview-morgan-stanleys-audrey-choi-investing-sustainably?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv6nKZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2BzIMi%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4GTsJkI%2BSLDwEYGLv6SgFSLHEMA5qW7gMXRQ%3D
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change and the rise of the 'advocacy investor': Are sustainability-focused shareholders forcing Wall Street to take environmental issues seriously, or is it business as usual? 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/climate-change-and-rise-advocacy-investor?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv67MZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4GTcpgl%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank of America joins the parade to shift away from fossil fuels: The financial services company's shift away from coal comes after other large investors, such as HSBC and the Rockefeller Foundation, similarly distanced themselves from segments of the fossil fuel industry. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/bank-america-joins-parade-shift-away-fossil-fuels?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv67MZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4GTcpgl%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 ways to boost sustainability's value proposition for CFOs: The combination of short- and long-term cost savings and strategic benefits that come with a comprehensive sustainability plan is pushing financial executives to listen up. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/5-factors-building-sustainability-value-proposition-cfos?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuarLZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4GTMJhI%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UN report- 'The coming financial climate – aligning the financial system with sustainable development': aligns the financial system with sustainable development argues for a radical shift in the global financial system. 	http://apps.unep.org/publications/pmtdocuments/-/The_coming_financial_climate__The_Inquiry%E2%80%99s_4th_Progress_Report_-2015The_Coming_Financi.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moving to a Low-Carbon Economy: The Financial Impact of the Low Carbon Transition: This report compares the costs of low-carbon electricity and low-carbon transportation systems with current systems. 	http://www.eldis.org/cf/rdr/?doc=71406
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A baseline assessment of climate finance: The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) defines 'climate finance' to include local, national or transnational financing for purposes of addressing the impacts of climate change and supporting climate-smart development. These funds may be drawn from the public sector, private sector or hybrids between the two. 	http://www.eldis.org/cf/rdr/?doc=72924
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where are financial resources coming from to cope with a changing climate? 2015 is a big year for climate across the development sector, with ongoing discussions around the post-2015 agenda, climate negotiations in Paris, and the current Climate Change Conference in Bonn which is seeing negotiators and experts deliberating over government commitments. But is enough being invested where it's really needed? The Eldis Key Issues Guide to Climate Finance provides an overview into some of the key issues and themes in this complex area. 	http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/climate-change/key-issues/climate-finance#.VYql1fVhBc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parliament of Norway has voted unanimously for its US\$900 billion sovereign wealth fund to divest from coal, while French insurer AXA will divest a €500 million portfolio from the fossil fuel intensive industries. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/euro-zone-heavyweight-norway-divests-coal/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mercer has warned investors against portfolios based on fossil fuel investments and recommends factoring climate change into risk modelling, a significant shift in behaviour for many. "Investing in a Time of Climate Change" was prepared by Mercer in conjunction with WWF, the Investor Group on Climate Change, the International Finance Corporation, and a range of other financial management firms. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/global-warming-critical-risk-investors/ http://www.mercer.com/content/mercer/global/al/en/insights/focus/invest-in-climate-change-study-2015.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The updated rules underpinning Green Bonds do not define 'green', and do not provide enough transparency for investors and observers, according to a group of civil society organisations convened by Bank Track. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/bank-track-wants-green-bonds-improve-transparency-rigour/

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colonial First State Global Asset Management has published its eighth Responsible Investment Report including a new interactive and expanded online report that can be viewed on mobile devices. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/colonial-first-releases-mobile-accessible-sustainability-report/ http://www.cfsgam.com.au/au/insto/Responsible_investment/CFS_GAM_advances_responsible_investment_and_stewardship_reporting_with_release_of_2015_Report/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing responsible investment to drive sustainability development is critical to the future prosperity of the Asia-Pacific region where natural capital is diminishing rapidly, according to a UN Environment Programme report. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/unep-asia-needs-responsible-investment/ http://www.unep.org/inquiry/Portals/50215/Documents/Unep-Inquiry_Asia_Finance_Final.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global investors launch web-hub for climate action and commitments: The progress of the Portfolio Decarbonisation Coalition is just one of the investor climate change initiatives that can be monitored through a new online hub. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/global-investors-launch-web-hub-climate-action-commitments/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most institutional investors take ESG criteria into account when investing in alternative investments. This was one of the findings of a survey of 97 institutional investors from 22 countries, published by Mercer and LGT Partners under the title "Global Insights on ESG in Alternative Investing". 	http://www.uk.mercer.com/newsroom/global-insights-on-esg-in-alternative-investing-report.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The German Insurance Association [Gesamtverband der Deutschen Versicherungswirtschaft] (GDV) has for the first time issued non-binding advice on taking sustainability criteria into account in capital investments. The paper is aimed at insurance companies which are interested in taking a closer look at this area. 	http://www.gdv.de/2015/03/gdv-veroeffentlicht-hinweise-zu-nachhaltigen-kapitalanlagen/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental advocates say that fossil fuel "stranded assets" must go unused if the world holds a prayer of adapting to climate change. But those with a vested interest in coal, oil and gas aren't budging — yet. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/carbon-cause-next-financial-crisis-fossil-fuel-stranded-assets?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohuKXMKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcZil%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Principles for Responsible Investment's (PRI) RI Quarterly: 'Unleashing performance through reporting and disclosure' gives an investor view of <IR>. 	http://2xjmlj8428u1a2k5034l1m71.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/RI-QUARTERLYvol7.pdf?dm_i=1PCE,3FDHW,GWJoIK,C9GZM,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) is pleased to announce the release of the seventh edition of RI Quarterly, bringing together academic research in a clear and concise form for investment professionals. 	http://2xjmlj8428u1a2k5034l1m71.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/RI-QUARTERLYvol7.pdf?dm_i=1PCE,3FDHW,GWJoIK,C9GZM,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fossil fuels subsidised by \$10m a minute, says IMF: 'Shocking' revelation finds \$5.3tn subsidy estimate for 2015 is greater than the total health spending of all the world's governments. 	http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/may/18/fossil-fuel-companies-getting-10m-a-minute-in-subsidies-says-imf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global Impact Fund launched by Former Head Deutsche Bank: Gloria Nelund spent over 30 years in the international investment management industry. Following retirement she dedicated her efforts to create TriLinc Global Impact Fund, a \$1.25 Billion fund for "main street" retail investors in growth-stage loans and trade finance to established SMEs. 	http://www.tbllgroup.com/tblconference/news/conferences/keynote-global-impact-fund-launched-by-former-deutsche-bank-head.html?utm_source=TBLL+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=e5da7d96ce-LAM15_3&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_2c981d6575-e5da7d96ce-315207481
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbon Tracker report offers roadmap for energy transition: Warning that unconventional exploration and price volatility will have negative impacts for investors, the NGO suggests steps to a low-carbon economy. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/carbon-tracker-report-offers-roadmap-energy-transition?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohv67NZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcVnl%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Environment Agency interactive maps: The European Environment Agency has published a series of interactive maps, illustrating various climate threats European cities face as well as cities' capacity to respond to these threats. 	http://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/explore-interactive-maps#c5=&co=5&b_start=0
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The soccer world is abuzz with the allegations that officials at FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) engaged in racketeering, money laundering and other criminal activities. Officials at FIFA engaged in a "24-year scheme to enrich themselves through the corruption of international soccer," according to a statement released by the United States Department of Justice. FIFA President Sepp Blatter has resigned and the news was welcome and overdue. But where can FIFA go from here? How will it avoid selecting a new leader cut from the same cloth, especially when those eligible to vote re-elected Blatter himself just last week? After decades of increasingly grim scandals, culminating in last week's arrests, there is widespread skepticism that FIFA will seize this chance at reform. 	http://news.yahoo.com/fifa-scandal-complicated-science-corruption-131137522.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Made in India: five companies demonstrate global leadership for the climate: Neeta Lal describes how businesses in India are decoupling growth from carbon emissions, as five Indian companies make CDP's Global A-list. 	http://www.forumforthefuture.org/greenfutures/articles/made-in-india-five-companies-demonstrate-global-leadership-climate-o
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Carbon Brief- 'What will a Conservative majority mean for climate and energy?' Following the results of the UK general election, Carbon Brief has provided a look at what the Conservative majority might mean for climate and energy. 	http://www.carbonbrief.org/blog/2015/05/election-2015-what-will-a-conservative-majority-mean-for-climate-and-energy/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Massive Ocean Cleaning System is planned to be launched in 2016. 	http://themindunleashed.org/2015/05/huge-ocean-cleaning-system-is-planned-to-be-launched-in-2016.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global energy-related emissions of carbon dioxide stalled in 2014: Preliminary International Energy Agency (IEA) data point to emissions decoupling from economic growth for the first time in 40 years. 	http://www.iea.org/newsroomandevents/news/2015/march/global-energy-related-emissions-of-carbon-dioxide-stalled-in-2014.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new report reinforcing the business case for employers to adopt the Living Wage has been published in conjunction with KPMG Glasgow. The report includes evidence from six UK business that has demonstrated the courage and leadership to be an Accredited Living Wage Employer. 	https://penrosecare.co.uk/new-report-highlights-benefits-of-the-living-wage-in-home-care/ please see attached pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paris and the trouble with climate elitism by Solitaire Townsend: Public and private sector leaders need to get over themselves if we want a shot at meaningful climate action. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/paris-and-trouble-climate-elitism
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radical new economic system will emerge from collapse of capitalism: Political adviser and author Jeremy Rifkin believes that the creation of a super internet heralds new economic system that could solve society's sustainability challenges. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2014/nov/07/radical-new-economic-system-will-emerge-from-collapse-of-capitalism?CMP=share_btn_tw
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paris climate politics begin as lobbyists target Business & Climate Summit: Leaked documents reveal how European chemical group Cefic sought to water down green proposals for the Paris Business & Climate Summit. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/cop-politics-begin-industry-lobbyists-targeting-climate-change?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWff9wsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTsBml%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 ways to invest in the low-carbon economy: Clean energy investment options are increasing for companies and consumers alike. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/4-ways-invest-low-carbon-economy?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTsBml%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Environmental Protection chief: Seize the economic opportunity in climate change: The Agency's Gina McCarthy headed to Silicon Valley to extoll the market opportunities embedded in low-carbon policy. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/epa-chief-seize-economic-opportunity-climate-change?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTsBml%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investors call for better fix to garment supply-chain risk: Two years after the collapse of a garment factory killed 1,100 workers in Bangladesh, a coalition of investors argue that not enough has been done to remediate dangerous conditions. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/investors-oppose-Bangladesh-Rana-Plaza-garment-supply-chain-labor-risk?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcp9l%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After two years, Rana Plaza fund reaches target: Mix of government and public pressure has persuaded brands to compensate victims of collapsed textile factory in Bangladesh. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2015/jun/10/rana-plaza-fund-reaches-target-compensate-victims?CMP=new_1194&CMP=
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data-powered resilience: How IBM helps simulate climate change. The German Climate Computing Center is now using IBM's data analytics technology to manage the world's largest cache of climate simulation data. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/data-powered-resilience-how-ibm-helps-simulate-climate-change?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohv6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcVnl%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An experiment in 'net zero deforestation' in Guatemala: In a country experiencing one of the most rapid deforestation rates in the world, an experiment in sustainable, community-managed timber production lends some hope to the possibility of net zero deforestation harvesting. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/experiment-net-zero-deforestation-guatemala?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuK7LZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTcBjl%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WWF makes the economic and business case for sustainable timber: As global demand for better forest management grows, regulatory and reputational risks strengthen the case for responsibly sourcing timber. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/wwf-makes-economic-and-business-case-sustainable-timber?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuK7LZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTMdql%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 lessons on resilience from the first Earth Day: City resilience practitioners would do well to take a page from the playbook of the first Earth Day organizers on how to galvanize a populace. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/3-lessons-resilience-first-earth-day?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuK7LZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTMdql%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How putting a price on carbon saved Microsoft \$10 million a year: Since 2012 the tech giant has put an internal fee on carbon, which feeds into a multimillion-dollar fund to reduce the company's footprint, buy green energy and develop new clean technologies. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-microsofts-internal-price-carbon-saved-it-10-million-year?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuXJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTMNl%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boeing aims to quit fossil fuel habit with tobacco-based jet fuel: Pilot project with South African Airways involving nicotine-free tobacco plant can lower emissions and preserve agricultural jobs, company says. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/boeing-aims-quit-fossil-fuel-habit-tobacco-based-jet-fuel?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuavBZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GTMNgl%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How She Leads: Diane Holdorf, Kellogg: The chief sustainability officer for food giant Kellogg, talks farming, goal setting and CEO buy-in. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-she-leads-kellogg-cos-diane-holdorf?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuazBZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4HRCn%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Commission green infrastructure brief: A recent European Commission brief argues that rooftop gardens in cities could supply cities with more than three quarters of their vegetable requirements. The brief is based on evidence from a case study from Bologna, Italy. 	http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/ecosystems/index_en.htm http://www.sd-research.org.uk/research-and-resources/european-commission-green-infrastructure-brief

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Resources from the LSE event- ‘Better Growth, Better Climate: cities and the new climate economy’: A video and other presentation material are now available for an event recently held at the London School of Economics (LSE) which was structured around some of the core findings and arguments recently published in the ‘Better growth, better climate’ publication produced for the Global Commission on the Economy and Climate.	http://www.lse.ac.uk/newsAndMedia/videoAnd Audio/channels/publicLecturesAndEvents/playe r.aspx?id=2850
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Blog series on Sustainable Development Goals: In 2015 the United Nations are expected to adopt a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Newcastle University Institute for Sustainability has recently made available a new blog series giving recommendations for targets and indicators of the Sustainable Development Goals.	https://blogs.ncl.ac.uk/sustainability/category/sdgs/
<ul style="list-style-type: none">G7 leaders agree to phase out fossil fuel use by end of century: German chancellor Angela Merkel announces commitment to ‘decarbonise global economy’ and end extreme poverty and hunger.	http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/jun/08/g7-leaders-agree-phase-out-fossil-fuel-use-end-of-century?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohvqjPZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2BzIMl%2FoER3fOvrPUFGjl4GT8VkI%2BSLDwEYGJI v6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Two Steps Forward: Can we solve the global energy ‘trilemma’? An interesting article from Joel Makower at GreenBiz.	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/can-we-solve-global-energy-trilemma?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohvqjPZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2BzIMl%2FoER3fOvrPUFGjl4GT8VkI%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5q w7gMXRQ%3D
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Eldis Gender Reporter is a regular bulletin that highlights recent publications on gender equality issues. The documents highlighted here are available to download online without charge.	www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/gender
<ul style="list-style-type: none">SustainAbility examines how SAP, Danone, Method and other leaders use transparency and reporting to work greenness into all parts of the company.	http://www.sustainability.com/library/see-change#.VYkWUWGBzGF http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-integrate-sustainability-your-business?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuvqPZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2BzIMl%2FoER3fOvrPUFGjl4HRcZgl%2BSLDwEYGLv6SgFSLHEMa5q w7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Costa Rica has made it through the first quarter of the year using zero electricity powered by fossil fuels.	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-costa-rica-went-100-renewable-and-saw-energy-prices-fall?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohuvqPZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2Bz IMl%2FoER3fOvrPUFGjl4HRcZgl%2BSLDwEYGLv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gM XQRQ%3D
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