

'CSEAR E-Newsletter' – September 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"> 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. Whilst the deadline for submission of papers was the 21st May 2015, you can still attend the conference without submitting a paper. An Emerging Scholars Colloquium will be held the day before the conference on 10 December 2015. Details of the conference and ESC, as well as how to register can be found on the conference website. 	<p>http://academic-conferences.org/pdfs/ACSEAR/ACSEAR_2015-ESC_%20Advert.pdf</p> <p>http://academic-conferences.org/acsear/acsear2015/acsear15-call-papers.htm</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st CSEAR MENA (Middle East & North Africa) Congress on Social and Environmental Accounting Research (15th March 2016) will be hosted by The American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE. The conference has now issued its First Call for Papers with a submission deadline for papers of 15 December 2015. <p>This first CSEAR conference in the MENA Region aims to bring together academics, practitioners and researchers who focus on the research, teaching, theory and practice of social, environmental and sustainability accounting and reporting. The spirit of the conference is interdisciplinary and so submissions are also invited from perspectives beyond accounting. They are delighted to announce that the confirmed plenary conference speaker is Professor Jan Bebbington, of St Andrews University in Scotland. Papers presented at this conference will be considered for the Social and Environmental Accountability Journal, published by Routledge.</p> <p>This one day conference will be free of charge, but participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements. For further details please visit the conference website, or contact Dr Jeannette Vinke, Chair of the Organising Committee.</p>	<p>Please see attached call for papers www.aus.edu/csearmena</p> <p>email: jvinke@aus.edu.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CSEAR North America Conference will be held on 1st and 2nd June 2016 at the University of Normal, Illinois. Den Patten is kindly organising this for us with the help of Michelle Rodrigue. A first call for papers has will be issued soon and a conference website will soon be available. 	<p>Check CSEAR website where details will be uploaded as and when received</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VI CSEAR Italian Conference will be held in September 2016 at the University of Parma. Full details will be available soon. 	<p>Check CSEAR website where details will be uploaded as and when received</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 1st CSEAR Ireland conference, will take place at the Kemmy Business School, University of Limerick on October 20th and 21st, 2016, with a masterclass/workshop on the 19th October. 	<p>Check CSEAR website where details will be uploaded as and when received</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CSEAR China: we are in the early stages of organising another CSEAR conference in China, to be hosted by the University of Nottingham Ningbo China. Many thanks to Juergen Seufert for this. As the process progresses we will keep you informed. 	<p>Details to follow</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAAJ Special Issue on Ecological Accounts: A reminder that the final deadline for submissions to the AAAJ special issue on Ecological Accounts: Making non-human worlds (in)visible during moments of socio-ecological transformation is 31 December 2015. While we have organised two workshops to date, and plan a third as part of the ACSEAR conference in Sydney in December 2015, the call for papers is open to all comers. A special submission portal is now open at Emerald/AAAJ, and we welcome early submissions of papers considered ready. There is no special preference given to early submissions, and all submissions will be subjected to AAAJ's normal submission protocols and double blind reviewed. 	<p>http://arts.st-andrews.ac.uk/ecological-accounts/</p> <p>see attached pdf</p> <p>The submission link can be found here:</p> <p>http://www.emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/author_guidelines.htm?id=aaaj</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/</p> <p>Colin Dey: colin.dey@stirl.ac.uk Shona Russell: sr65@st-andrews.ac.uk</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to the SEAJ Editorial Board: The Board have elected a new Co-editor for the Journal as John Ferguson will step down in December 2015. The newly elected Co-Editor is Matias Laine. Carlos Larrinaga continues in his role as co-editor until December 2017 to complete his 4 year term. During the last session the membership of the editorial board and the international advisory board was amended. The new boards and corresponding members can be viewed on the CSEAR website. 	<p>http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/seaj/about-seaj/seajexecutiveeditorialboardspasteditors/</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching Case Comp 2015: Congratulations to Suzana Grubnic, Jean-Pascal Gond, Christian Herzig & Jeremy Moon for their winning submission: "A new era: moving from climate action to a broader sustainability agenda". Many thanks to all those that submitted articles to the competition. It has been agreed to continue the competition on an annual basis, with the next one running in 2016. Full details of the competition can be found on the CSEAR website, but deadline dates for your diaries are: 10 June 2016: Deadline for submission by email to csear@st-andrews.ac.uk; 1 July 2016: Winners notified; 22 - 25 August 2016: Winners present cases at CSEAR UK 	<p>http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csear/membersarea/teach_comp/</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join the Flourish Prizes: Student-Fueled Global Learning Platform: After a successful June launch at the UN PRME Global Forum in New York City, the Flourish Prizes for Business as an Agent of World Benefit are expanding. We're inviting all management and business school professors to join us in growing the Flourish Prizes learning platform and prizing initiative for business innovations. Professors will receive all needed classroom materials for their students. These materials include a one-hour recorded introductory webinar with Case Western Reserve University professors and Appreciative Inquiry founders David Cooperrider and Ron Fry. The Flourish Prizes are a student-driven initiative at management schools globally using the UN's new Sustainable Development Goals as a lens to discover and report on radical innovations. The stories will become nominations for the inaugural Flourish Prizes to be awarded in June 2017. The Spring 2015 pilot project invited 24 professors in 19 countries whose students turned in more than 50 stories about innovations they discovered. The inspiring stories are housed on our new AIM2Flourish.com website, a growing community of professors, students, and business leaders. To sign up please send an email to Joe Kane at joe.kane@ecmignite.com with your name, title, and institution name. You'll receive complete instructions. 	<p>See attached pdf Source: Delphine Gibassier www.AIM2Flourish.com</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAA Emerging Scholars Centre Feedback on PhD Proposals Initiative (Beatriz García Osma and Martin Walker): Providing timely constructive criticism and feedback to PhD proposals submitted by European PhD students. This feedback aims to help primarily first and second year PhD students, who are sufficiently early in their studies to benefit from detailed comments and suggestions on their proposals. The feedback will orient students both on the feasibility of their proposals as well as on their projected contribution, highlighting any theoretical and/or empirical weakness, as well as providing suggestions on recommended literature, methodology considerations, data restrictions, etc. This initiative should benefit PhD students across EAA membership, by providing an extra level of support for students and their supervisors. 	<p>Source Delphine Gibassier See attached pdf</p>
<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@utu.fi</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CSEAR Council continues to roll 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
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Call for Papers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Social Impact of Research Infrastructures at the Frontiers of Science and Technology. 	http://www.journals.elsevier.com/technological-forecasting-and-social-change/call-for-papers/call-for-paper-the-social-impact-of-research-infrastructures/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd Geneva Summit on Sustainable Finance, March 22nd, 2016, Geneva, Switzerland. Submission Deadline: October 31st, 2015. Following the successes of the two previous editions, the University of Geneva together with the Latsis Foundation, Sustainable Finance Geneva, and UNEP FI are pleased to announce the 3rd Geneva Summit on Sustainable Finance. 	http://www.geneva-summit-on-sustainable-finance.ch/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "The challenges and future of the accounting profession": Call for papers - 2016 international conference for critical accounting (ICCA) Emerging critical scholars workshop. Accounting and the new Labor process symposium (ANLP). 	http://aux.zicklin.baruch.cuny.edu/tinker/2016ICCA
<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. 	http://www.ephemerajournal.org/content/what-are-alternatives-organizing-socially-and-ecologically-sustainable-world
<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. 	Send your manuscript to the editor at editor@ijbhtnet.com For more information, visit the official website of the journal www.ijbhtnet.com
<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

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<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"> Employee Ownership Conference, Centre for qualitative research in finance, University of Dundee, 7th October 2015 	<p>For further information, paper submissions and registration for the event and/or dinner, please complete the online form: http://goo.gl/AOhEEen</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A three-day Education for Sustainability Conference will be held from 21st to 23rd of October 2015 in Karlsruhe, Germany. 	<p>http://eosd.org/en/igee.html Or contact via email: mail@eosd.org and sustainability@etechgermany.net</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact investment summit – Asia pacific: when: October 19-21, 2015 where: Dolton House, Sydney, NSW, Australia 	<p>http://www.impactinvestmentsummit.com/</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10th annual Sustainable Supply Chain Summit (November 10-11), Tower Bridge Hilton, London 	<p>http://events.ethicalcorp.com/supplychain/conference-event-brochure.php?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationl2%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2795+TA+100815&utm_term=Resource+efficiency+best+practice&utm_content=434583&gator_td=hGNaUzSR3OvBa86suqtPYInEyVsK3ezL4FuUelYVbOm8vP7df43jsya%2fHkCg4XenmJzRAaafNvvQIFz3HpZsugrl oVyW1ORf5RK%2b4U1Ks2faeOUoy7pZxT6saOzkJgbDUJW5f5jNWTa%2bgZJ8guxcsPVRb%2fH7xZMqqc3%2bo%2fYpHzuryj%2b5%2bOdGex%2fR8WjhjEGw1HwyTl1DbKVmVpEUDS8ySzE5DZLJftJL%2fHwr4NuRk%3d</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Conference London 21st December 2015: 'Planning for Climate Change' Conferences will be held on the 21st December 2015 in London and on the 28th October 2015 in Dublin. 	<p>http://www.planforclimatechange.co.uk/home/4587746096</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 9th Annual CR Reporting and Communications Summit, 10-11th November 2015, Tower Bridge Hilton, London 	<p>http://events.ethicalcorp.com/reporting/index.php</p>
<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. 	<p>http://www.kingston.ac.uk/events/item/1667/17-nov-2015-scorai-europe-transit-workshop-vienna/</p>
<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. 	<p>http://www.adu.ac.ae/icom2015</p>

Other Conferences (continued)

<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/
<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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenbiz 16: February 23-25, JW Marriott Camelback Inn, Phoenix, Ariz; VERGE 16: September 19-22, Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara, Calif; • Greenbiz 17: February 14-16, JW Marriott Desert Ridge, Phoenix, Ariz; VERGE 17: September 18-21, Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara, Calif. • Greenbiz 18: February 6-8, JW Marriott Desert Ridge, Phoenix, Ariz.; Greenbiz 19: February 26-28, JW Marriott Desert Ridge, Phoenix, Ariz. <p>https://www.greenbiz.com/events/greenbiz-forum/phoenix/2016/speaker-nomination</p>	

Accounting and Reporting

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why engaging employees on sustainability really isn't about money: PwC and Legrand weigh in on what they've learned about combining their CSR and engagement goals. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/why-engaging-employees-sustainability-really-isnt-about-money?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfGwsRohvKzLZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4GScRhI%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The OECD programme on local economic and employment development (LEED) has advised governments and communities since 1982 on how to respond to economic change and tackle complex problems in a fast-changing world. Its mission is to contribute to the creation of more and better quality jobs through more effective policy implementation, innovative practices, stronger capacities and integrated strategies at the local level. 	http://www.oecd.org/regional/leed/Policy-Brief-social-impact.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lancet Commission on Health and Climate Change launch landmark report: A report by the Lancet Commission has highlighted that curbing climate change could be the biggest global health opportunity of the 21st century. 	http://www.thelancet.com/commissions/climate-change-2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imperial College London report- 'The Circular Revolution': A recent Imperial College London report, commissioned by environmental management firm Veolia, outlines the business case for adopting a circular economy. The report is the first to put a figure on the potential of a circular economy in the UK. 	http://veolia.co.uk/about-us/about-us/circular-economy/circular-revolution
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethics Guide 2015 published: Co-published with BAM and HEA this Guide provides guidance on ethical practice for institutions and individuals. 	http://charteredabs.org/publications/ethics-guide-2015-advice-guidance/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behind the first 15 years of GRI sustainability reporting. The dream: an open approach to reporting on "people, planet and profit." What has happened since the first guidelines were released? 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/behind-first-15-years-gri-sustainability-reporting?utm_medium=email&utm_source=e-news&utm_campaign=greenbuzz&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfGwsRouu6TAZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4JTcBII%2BSLDwEYgJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The famously lavish Silicon Valley headquarters of Facebook has recently hosted its second-annual gathering on "Sustainability@Scale" — a wide-ranging conference that drew participants from Levi's, Walmart, Salesforce, Hewlett-Packard, IDEO, Microsoft and Blackrock, among others. The goal: going above and beyond individual corporate action on climate change, water security, supply chain traceability, renewable energy, sustainability reporting and green marketing. "What can we do, collectively, to engage in some of those global issues?" asked Facebook Director of Sustainability Bill Weihl. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/facebook-hosts-levis-walmart-hack-sustainability-growth?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWffGwsRohvKTIZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2BzIMI/oER3fOvrPUfGjI4GSSpiI%2BSLDwEYGLJv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15-year anniversary of the GRI Guidelines which were originally released in 2000: They continue to enable businesses, governments and other organizations understand and communicate the impact of business on critical sustainability issues. Over the past 15 years GRI has helped transform sustainability reporting from a niche practice to one now adopted by a growing majority of organizations. In order to encourage more reporters to strive for a better quality of reporting, GRI has restructured its services and created the GRI Support Suite. It is a range of useful tools and services for both report preparers and report users, covering the whole reporting cycle. With the issuance of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGP) in 2011, the responsibilities of companies and states in regards to human rights were finally officially recognized. As a result, companies now have a better understanding of their responsibilities vis-à-vis human rights, which they can consequently incorporate into their reporting processes. 	<p>https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/GRI-INTRODUCES-SUPPORT-SUITE.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3I3G8,HU5A8R,CJQ76,1</p> <p>https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/SPOTLIGHT-ON-THE-UNWG-ON-BUSINESS-AND-HUMAN-RIGHTS.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3I3G8,HU5A8R,CJQ76,1</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greenpeace says Apple is the "greenest tech company" in the world for reducing toxic elements in its products, using 100% renewable energy at data centres and stores, and pursuing renewables investments. Greenpeace is happy, but does the company's reporting support these laurels? Apple Environmental Progress Report 2015 review: How green the Apple? 	https://www.apple.com/environment/pdf/Apple_Environmental_Responsibility_Report_2015.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adidas has cut business ties with 13 of its Asian suppliers following non-compliance with the company's workplace standards at factories, covering labour-related or health and safety non-compliance, among others. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/business-strategy/brandwatch-june-2015?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffcc_ethicalcorporation%2f%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=1679+restz+o1o715&utm_term=Adidas+cuts+ties+with+non-compliant+suppliers&utm_content=42o46&gator_td=2mNkgR%2bXRKFsBnOsu1j7z8MjwpPXBGeax8WVKo%2fwhkAPwUfSEMF8uCYJaSPt2PSd24IHZch7C7zRl9vCb13n%2bJBjWVNoM4UMOO6gvosv55jhC4jnb9pDuP%2f8AVHNo8SnpahTzudl3PuwRe6ULOWidnBSLcwn51bMCoX3dyxzCvANfysMr7BqDrzGpX%2fxfqpUMezVRy7Ym58NFPeOEbyyKOZYT1ohoh32VszvggSezMHBEnLCGUehS%2fKypbZzd92pE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From aquaponics to pop up hospitals, students are engaging with circular economy principles. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2015/jun/29/circular-economy-inspires-young-people-to-change-the-world?CMP=new_1194&CMP=
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual review on best practice in CR Reporting and Sustainability Communications. 	http://events.ethicalcorp.com/reporting/content-report.php?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffcc_ethicalcorporation%2f%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2794+TA+o6o715&utm_term=Complimentary+CR+reporting+and+sustainability+communication+briefing&utm_content=42o46&gator_td=swoQVSPwqgrGDJmoiQPCOLmuFpY3kN7kWIghbjsRaclwLetrOb5WkePeHZ%2bAQPFgS5Y89r7v4km3GBH4cpzI%2f5qJMzwOy%2bekmIvNEIdM%2bOnHoRyuSgMFSTjJHs8KToNrMhlwleyExi%2bSUIXHcOA3h7EJhco831ZvbfvJ3xiiNofsvlUgUvIpl37hmmUwTsvdP5J%2b9gY43m3A8ge2HW4bpvh7ScYDQFRXBm%2bB1JicI%3d

Accounting and Reporting (continued)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-defining Sustainability at the oikos Germany meeting: In a discussion round among oikos Leipzig fellows, it was found that the notion of sustainability is vastly used but, often, stays abstract. Thus, a whole oikos meeting was conveyed to discuss the definition of sustainability. Read more to learn about how it was done. 	http://oikos-international.org/news/re-defining-sustainability-at-the-oikos-germany-meeting/?utm_content=lc17%4ost-andrews.ac.uk&utm_source=VerticalResponse&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=&utm_campaign=oikos%20Newsletter%20July%202015%20-%20Happy%20Summer%21content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cutting emissions across the value chain: HP was the first global IT company to set GHG emissions reduction goals for all three parts of its value chain – supply chain, operations and products in use - by adding an ambitious product energy intensity goal. Check this out and more in the HP 2014 Living Progress Report. 	http://www8.hp.com/us/en/hp-information/global-citizenship/index.html?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohs6zBZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GS8Br1%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who are the sustainability leaders besides Unilever? Unilever is still regarded as the clear leader in sustainability among global companies, according to an annual survey by GlobeScan. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/who-are-sustainability-leaders?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRohs6zBZKXonjHpfSx66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4GS8Br1%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How should you report on human capital? The Corporate Reporting Landscape Map (which was released in May 2015 by the Corporate Reporting Dialogue) has been welcomed by those in the corporate reporting community as an initial unified response to confusion about how frameworks, standards and related requirements could be used together to enhance corporate reporting. 	http://corporatereportingdialogue.com/ http://integratedreporting.org/corporate-reporting-dialogue/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Climate Economy report- 'Seizing the Global Opportunity': In July, the New Climate Economy and the Global Commission on the Economy and Climate launched its 2015 report. The report is a continuation of the work carried out for the 2014 'Better Growth, Better Climate' report. 	http://2015.newclimateeconomy.report/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revolutionary reporting: turning the tide - companies need to reinvent their reporting alongside reinventing the business. We all like a good story, especially if it has a happy ending – and here's the thing: the humble CR report can deliver that. Really. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/revolutionary-reporting-turning-tide?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2f%2fethicalcorporation%2f%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EC+News+170715&utm_term=%E2%80%9cCDangerous+Opportunity%E2%80%9D+-+impressions+on+corporate+integrity+in+South+Korea&utm_content=434583&gator_td=wRD9ONMosScDqYQJK6sJp9%2bAcMj83P0AVW9oiChdpuLKl2scTFdxr1VlyWOzjkcZJuGuokn6otLETQ19bIY3wVpSXT9%2b%2bpQ2KyUGQ3rxjzGosvaobrVmLoHRzjczYtPBPW3iNgEmbt9dWlaY8xxo6GdXRnCFChgG17bbTlyDzvKTWrQk54eMxlziXDF%2btMXCWDG%2bvDIJdWstyvwAR3RS9qU8L7%2fJOthPPd4M%2bRfRoNJE%3d
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From Commitment to Action: Financing gender equality and women's rights in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. This four-page brief provides an overview of OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) members' aid to gender equality since the MDGs and identifies priorities for financing gender equality in the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda. 	http://www.oecd.org/dac/gender-development/From%20commitment%20to%20action%20FINAL.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress of the World's Women 2015-2016: Transforming economies, realising rights (UN Women 2015). This report focuses on the economic and social dimensions of gender equality, including the right of all women to a good job, with fair pay and safe working conditions, to an adequate pension in older age, to health care and to safe water, without discrimination based on factors such as socioeconomic status, geographic location and race or ethnicity. 	http://progress.unwomen.org/en/2015/pdf/U NW_progressreport.pdf

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GSK's Clare Griffin on health care and more inclusive economies: GlaxoSmithKline's global head of corporate responsibility reveals Big Pharma's role in building more resilient local systems. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/gsk-clare-griffin-health-care-and-more-inclusive-economies?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRohs6TKZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4GRMBkI%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRToTD7sJfYfYRPf6BazJwzrfA%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citystates II: The Case for Corporate Leadership in Urban Sustainability. This report, a follow-up to Citystates: How Cities Are Vital to the Future of Sustainability, makes the case for greater corporate leadership to drive urban sustainability forward and to share in its benefits. 	http://www.sustainability.com/library/citystates-ii?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Whats%2oNext%2o%2oBusiness%2oModel%2oInnovation%2oSustainability%2oTrends%2o%2oWebinars&utm_content=Whats%2oNext%2o%2oBusiness%2oModel%2oInnovation%2oSustainability%2oTrends%2o%2oWebinars+CID_7df42ooc9343e4bd478e163b7co6aa83&utm_source=Campaign%2oMonitor&utm_term=Download%2oreport#.VfF26GTBzGc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Is the European Union moving towards sustainable development?' Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, has published its sixth monitoring report of the EU Sustainable Development Strategy (SDS). This monitoring report evaluates progress towards the EU SDS objectives using a set of more than 100 sustainable development indicators, grouped into ten thematic areas. 	http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/products-press-releases/-/8-01092015-BP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has praised UN Member States for reaching agreement on the draft outcome document that will constitute the new sustainable development agenda. 'Transforming our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development' features 17 new sustainable development goals that aim, by 2030, to eradicate extreme poverty, promote prosperity and people's well-being, while protecting the environment. 	http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=51546#.VfGG2GTBzGf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Emergence of polycentric climate governance and its future prospects' This new article in Nature Climate Change recites the perceived failings of the international climate regime (represented by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) and describes how 'new' dynamic forms of climate governance are appearing in alternative domains, producing a more polycentric pattern. 	http://www.nature.com/nclimate/journal/vaop/ncurrent/full/nclimate2725.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GreenBiz 101: Defining the circular economy Closed loop, cradle to cradle, next-gen recycling? No matter what you call it, companies are already jockeying for position in the trillion-dollar material reuse market. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/defining-circular-economy-beyond-recycling-material-reuse?utm_medium=email&utm_source=e-news&utm_campaign=greenbuzz&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRouuqzNZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4JTcFgI%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRToTD7sJfYfYRPf6BazJwzqfo%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report Report: How to prepare for the unknown In case you are behind in reading the latest sustainability reports, the Report Report provides a snapshot of recent reports that are worth a look. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/report-report-how-prepare-unknown?utm_medium=email&utm_source=e-news&utm_campaign=greenbuzz&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRouu6TAZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4JTcBII%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 ways to incorporate CSR into leadership development: Dow, IBM, Medtronic, PepsiCo and SAP have long known this tip - Social sabbaticals make leaders more flexible, intelligent and resilient. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/5-ways-incorporate-csr-leadership-development?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfFgwsRouuq%2FPZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4JTcPqI%2BSLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRToTD7sJfYfYRPf6BazJwzpf%2Fk%3D
<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"> With no agreed upon definition of sustainability, a growing number of stakeholders representing a wider range of interests, and social media giving everyone a voice, deciding how to prioritize renewable or "green" efforts might seem precarious. Assigning a value or cost to each decision might help ease concerns. But how can you tackle that task? In case you missed it, Cargill and PwC recorded this webinar to start you on a path toward understanding your own capabilities and challenges, leveraging the skills of your partners, and communicating your wins - all with the goal of identifying opportunities to drive down costs and add value. 	https://cpo.cargill.com/supplychain/webinar.shtml?utm_source=greenbiz&utm_medium=emailblast&utm_content=webinar&utm_campaign=rsc&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWFF9wsR0uu67KZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4JTMBql%2BSLDwEYGLv6SgFSLHEMA5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new report on human rights from Unilever sets high standards for other multinationals to follow and shows the hard work required to make progress on human rights. 	<p>http://www.ethicalcorp.com/communications-reporting/unilever-human-rights-report-2015-review-first-lever?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffcc_ethicalcorporation%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EC+News+040915&utm_term=Your+responsible+business+update+from+Ethical+Corp&utm_content=43183&gclid=a-GjNJCdW6WzE7tBPkafo%2f&gfe=g%2f&gclid=AurSdV7eG6%2fT51E19SlF8yIkONto%2fYwZAqgsWmyrRhHnNayaVrh%2abHEqrR4Fiqs7P4ueZlgguH8VQXEvczyFomFqt6chssqa%2f%2fH3tR1ZXModcDXZRsdIm%2fOkikqaO27owMIDQqJqak%2bgR9RosdPHaBSifUxvvKpsaNBqqXS6Cuk5ZN1wLaOopcdpsDARWo5kwBoVALct%3d</p> <p>https://www.unilever.com/news/press-releases/2015/Unilever-releases-first-of-its-kind-Human-Rights-Report.html</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In times of reduced commodity prices and tightened budgets, Ethical Corporation continue providing the essential business intelligence that means Extractives professionals the world over are receiving the insight that they need in building their responsible business strategies. 	http://events.ethicalcorp.com/cms-assets/documents/216917-352687.ec-l2l-sf-692-1.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ghana Plans the Role of Mining in its Future: The report by Steward Redqueen and the African Center for Economic Transformation estimates the socioeconomic impact of the large-scale gold mining sector in Ghana from 2010 to 2022 and provides robust data on the industry, as a basis for informed discussion, policymaking and operational planning. 	http://www.icmm.com/document/g151
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is Reporting Bloated, Burdensome, and Broken? 	http://www.sustainability-reports.com/is-reporting-bloated-burdensome-and-broken/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applying the Integrated Reporting concept of 'the capitals' in the banking industry. Traditionally, reporting in the banking industry has focused on financial capital and, to some extent, human capital. With the emergence of a digitized world and the notion of the banks themselves under threat of disintermediation, careful consideration of the use of, and effects on, other capitals is increasingly important. In a paper, written on behalf of the <IR> Banking Network, there is an analysis of the multi-capitals approach in the International <IR> Framework. This is the inaugural guidance paper prepared by the Network aiming to give industry specific guidance on the application of <IR>. 	http://integratedreporting.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/IR-Banking-Network-Publication.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With an interest in sustainability reporting and communications, you may benefit from reading Ethical Corporation's newly published Guide to sustainability data reporting: Featuring insight and case studies from Ericsson, British Airways and PWC, The Data Dilemma is a free guide. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/whitepapers/sustainability-reporting-guide-how-use-data-drive-positive-change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new report published by the PRI (with UNEP FI, UNEP Inquiry and the UN Global Compact) finds that fiduciary duty is not an obstacle to asset owner action on environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors. 	http://2xjmlj8428u1a2k5034l1m71.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wp-content/uploads/Fiduciary-duty-21st-century.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new publication from Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada (CPA Canada) discusses the evolving corporate reporting landscape, especially as it relates to addressing sustainability issues. 	<p>file:///Users/lynn/Downloads/An-Evolving-Corporate-Reporting-Landscape-Updated-June-2015.pdf</p> <p>https://www.cpacanada.ca/en/connecting-and-news/news/media-centre/2015/July/changing-corporate-reporting-landscape</p>

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There are several items from the **Global Reporting Index** this quarter:

- **SDGs are in full focus** as the world turns its attention to the **official adoption of the new sustainable agenda at the UN Sustainable Development Summit in New York.**

https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/BRIDGING-BUSINESS-AND-GOVERNMENT-GRI-AND-THE-SDGs-.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3NIDE,HU5A8R,D4UZJ,1

- With the **GRI Global Conference** just eight months away, we are pleased to announce the **14 Master Classes** which will be offered during the conference. Take a look at the conference preview and stay tuned for more highlights in the coming months.

https://www.globalreporting.org/information/events/5th-gri-global-conference/Pages/default.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3NIDE,HU5A8R,D4UZJ,1

- From the use of **sustainability information in business intelligence** to the **actual creation of new lines of business**, it is clear that this information isn't just for **sustainability professionals**. Take a look at this **video** in which **GRI's Chief Executive Michael Meehan** explains why it is time for organizations to begin **Moving Beyond Reports** and provide **sustainability information** that is **more accessible, comparable and available in real-time**.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pbW7LeKrQMI>

- **Bridging business and government: GRI and the SDGs.** Find out **how GRI** has been **working to build a bridge between businesses and governments** that will allow both to make **positive contributions towards the Sustainable Development Goals**.

https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/BRIDGING-BUSINESS-AND-GOVERNMENT-GRI-AND-THE-SDGs-.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3NIDE,HU5A8R,D4UZJ,1

- **GRI is best known** for leading the **development of the sustainability reporting process** and we continue to build our global community which includes thousands of trained practitioners and reporters, just like yourselves. **Watch this video** where our **Chief Executive, Michael Meehan**, talks about our **work in creating a community of More Reporters and Better Reporting**, encouraging new organizations to **adopt the sustainability reporting process** and motivating **experienced organizations to strive for a better quality of reporting**.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UD5jLAr4qY8>

- **GRI established a Knowledge Unit:** GRI will be **capturing and creating leading edge knowledge** with the overall aim of **supporting the practice of reporting** and the role of transparency in the **advancement of sustainability issues**. To learn more, read the **interview with Alyson Slater, the director of the Knowledge Unit**.

https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/MOBILIZING-KNOWLEDGE-TO-SHAPE-THE-NEXT-ERA-OF-SUSTAINABILITY-REPORTING.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3KSM1,HU5A8R,CUAEF,1

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:

- Greeks have said no to austerity, but it is alive in the UK, kicking the poorest the hardest. On Wednesday, the UK's conservative government is likely to announce huge cuts in public expenditure:

<https://theconversation.com/budget-2015-tax-promises-leave-little-room-to-drive-a-viable-economic-plan-44271>

- An article on neoliberalism and its conception of citizenship rights:

<http://leftfootforward.org/2015/07/how-the-tories-are-redefining-the-states-relationship-with-its-citizens/>

- Many of you know that the UK Labour Party has elected Jeremy Corbyn as its leader. Jeremy is opposed to austerity, endless public expenditure cuts and many other neoliberal policies. I argue that Corbyn's proposals are pro-business.

<https://theconversation.com/why-corbynomics-could-actually-be-good-for-business-47614>

- The first one challenges the government claim that privatisation of public assets somehow deepens share ownership and democratizes corporations.

<http://www.tribunemagazine.org/2015/09/mis-sale-of-the-century/>

- The second is a comment on the UK Trade Union Bill currently going through parliament. This draconian legislation will make it very difficult, if not impossible, for employees to take strike action to protect their interests.

<http://leftfootforward.org/2015/09/trade-unions-are-being-held-to-tougher-standards-than-businesses-or-government/>

- The UK press has provided considerable coverage to celebration of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, the longest serving monarch in British history. However, there is another side of the debate which also needs consideration.

<http://leftfootforward.org/2015/09/comment-why-we-need-a-referendum-on-the-monarchy/>

- Corporate welfare has become a major cause of austerity and public debt. I have an article which explains how corporations are making massive profits from taxpayer-funded contracts through manipulation of interest rates, tax avoidance and charging vast amounts for mundane things.

<http://leftfootforward.org/2015/09/pfi-is-still-crippling-our-public-services/>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New report from ACCA calls on corporate world to lead the way in fight for children's rights: Following publication of a new report on children's rights, ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) and UNICEF have joined forces to call for greater transparency from companies on the issue. 	http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/sus/Reporting_childrens_rights.pdf http://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en/technical-activities/technical-resources-search/2015/september/reporting-child-rights.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports contain a huge amount of information. It can be difficult to navigate through this material to find what you are looking for. This is particularly true of the Synthesis Report. The Synthesis Report distils and integrates the findings of the full IPCC Fifth Assessment Report. Although it's a concise document of about 130 pages, it also references the three IPCC Working Group contributions released between September 2013 and April 2014, totalling some 4,700 pages in all, and assessing over 30,000 scientific papers. 	http://ar5-syr.ipcc.ch/

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Experts Call for Better Alignment between the Financial System and World's Sustainable Development Needs Ahead of Climate Conference: New Rules for New Horizons: Reshaping Finance for Sustainability. 	http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=26830&ArticleID=35222&l=en#sthash.mTLNINXz.dpuf http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=26830&ArticleID=35222&l=en
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon taxes aren't a silver bullet for climate change: Financial penalties for emissions shouldn't be the be-all, end-all for climate action. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/why-carbon-taxes-arent-silver-bullet-climate-change?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWff9wsRouu6vJZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2BzIMl/oER3fOvrPUfGjl4JTMtrf%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qW7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citigroup: Tackling climate change now could save \$1.8 trillion: The financial case for decarbonization is more compelling than ever. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/citigroup-tackling-climate-change-now-could-save-18-trillion?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWff9wsRouu6%2FNZKXonjHpfsX66OQoXq%2BzIMl%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjl4JTMFq1%2BSDLwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qW7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the recent report by the Economist Intelligence Unit, entitled "The cost of inaction: Recognising the value at risk from climate change", climate change poses a huge threat to asset managers. 	http://www.economistsinsights.com/financial-services/analysis/cost-inaction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • oekom research evaluates sustainability in the chemicals sector 	http://www.oekom-research.com/homepage/english/oekom_Industry_Focus_Chemicals_2012_en.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Pole Group and oekom research AG Partner to Enhance Depth and Scope of Climate Impact Assessment of Investments. 	http://www.oekom-research.com/homepage/english/150908_oekom-South-Pole_partnership.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethical Corporation have launched a brand new intelligence report - Licence to Legacy: Life Cycle Management and Social impact in the Extractives sector. 	http://reports.ethicalcorp.com/reports/licence-legacy/index.php
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valuing Natural Capital - Future proofing Business and Finance, explains the scale and severity of natural capital depletion, and suggests how we might incorporate its value into a sustainable economy. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/environment/essay-valuing-natural-capital?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporation%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EC+News+3+07+15&utm_term=Valuing+Natural+Capital%3a+Futureproofing+Business+and+Finance&utm_content=434583&gator_td=%2f9u5k4fyTPY%2bZJinv6lRW8Q3loh%2bJYcTxduGjAJlPVFHMoe7zu9PPZx5jhMmEwHTLq3qpWw4PhzarfvVqoRFjWTifZaf%2b4NwSjGeYsbwtlQWq31VTInkeQZgPlvlg%2fLPVioPUzjWmkmYArqMNNFuwoJ%2bNP89aPPRg%2bLZlmzQc7c1w5dFUFnsAPWzkl3uqk3fw3syUY2R6x4%2bZTYi8F2VxY7tTN1VKXMuBaNMPgAg4%3d

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financing sustainable development: GRI's Deputy CE, Teresa Fogelberg, recently attended the third International Conference on Financing for Development. Read her thoughts about the connection between sustainability reporting and international efforts to enable sustainable development. 	https://www.globalreporting.org/information/news-and-press-center/Pages/FINANCING-SUSTAINABLE-DEVELOPMENT.aspx?dm_i=4J5,3KSM1,HU5A8R,CUAEF,1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Australian Centre for Corporate Responsibility has vowed to go back to court and fight for shareholder rights and corporate democracy after losing its initial case. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/accr-will-appeal-federal-court-decision-fight-shareholder-rights/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China - The politics of the market. 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/business-strategy/asia-column-china-politics-market?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffcc_ethicalcorporationl2%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EC+N ews+110915&utm_term=China+-+The+politics+of+the+market&utm_content=434583&gator_td=hv ilec8KXRisA8FqAs%2fcvqHOOBOsRD1SJiyyGZ4aL3PlsPU731G2Po NRwfGjCYaxL2gcgpz094PZ47rPJNngyKsfkp1FniyK6CDh3PDn%2f 5%2baF1ePe3n8VHe2lfJCFBL9FAlzpwofqUwPfvqe74kblpvWmeAa Pyeopyv1Mba1NutdaVmFox7zFfkReSoLG7qc5WruovdSEXxF193v GVoORgfnx7WuBXbx5171o56pFPU%3d
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The \$1.1 trillion question: What's your chemical footprint? With \$1.1 trillion in total asset backing, the Chemical Footprint Project could be poised to do for toxic materials what water and carbon footprinting have done for conservation and emissions. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/11-trillion-question-whats-your-chemical-footprint?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWffGwsRohvKzLZKXonjH pfsX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4GS5cRhI%2B SLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will Greece go hungry if it exits the euro? That's a question for the insurance industry. A systematic shock to global food could cause riots, food price hikes and disruption to stock markets. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2015/jun/24/will-greeks-go-hungry-if-exits-the-euro?CMP=new_1194&CMP=
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy productivity underpins economic growth: After investing up to \$245 million in July, the Clean Energy Finance Corporation chair Jillian Broadbent says improving energy productivity is a good way to improve economic growth. 	http://ethicalinvestor.com.au/energy-productivity-underpins-economic-growth-cefc-chair/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Courage to Change: But Is It Enough? Interview with Philippe Desfossés, CEO of ERAFP (the French public service additional pension scheme). When looking at the state of our world concerning climate change, poverty, war and financial crisis, most people would agree with me that it's time to change. Change in our mentalities, consumer habits, the way we work, connect and collaborate with each other. But is it enough? Or do we need to take bolder steps, especially those who manage the flow of monetary system? 	http://www.tbllgroup.com/tbllconference/news/conferences/perspectives-from-tbll-conference-nordic-2015-courage-to-change-but-is-it-enough.html?utm_source=TBLL+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=65359ca3fa-tbllconfeurope_3&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_2c981d6575-65359ca3fa-315207485
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thought you would find this interesting. It's a new model enacted into law by the Quebec government allowing the pension fund to run infrastructure projects from planning to ownership of assets. Very interesting model and could be comparable to the 'crowd-funding' model, as it takes community invested money (pensions) and invests it into local infrastructure that meets a stated need. 	http://www.cdpq.com/en/agreement/comparative-table-of-models
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the world's power mix is about to change: The world's power generating capacity will more than double by 2040 and most of the new electricity will be from renewable sources, predicts Bloomberg New Energy Finance. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/how-worlds-power-mix-about-change?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWffGwsRohs63LZKXonjHpf sX66OQoXq%2B2lMI%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjL4GS5cRhI%2B SLDwEYGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D

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- **Countdown to COP21 in Paris: New expectations for Africa or the same old circus? Africa's stakes are high;** it bears the greatest proportion of risks and impacts posed by climate change, which incidentally is exponentially disproportionate to its share of responsibility for global warming. Here, Dr. Johnson Nkem from the African Climate Policy Centre, United Nations Commission for Africa, discusses possible development trajectories for Africa in response to climate change.
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- **Lessons from Nestlé's crisis in India.**
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with global nutrition data. Assessing trends in malnutrition rates and country progress towards global nutrition targets can be tricky. Global numbers often paint a gloomy picture when many countries are making great strides in improving nutrition. So is malnutrition increasing or decreasing globally? How can we tell? Written by Komal Bhatia, Kamilla Eriksen and Natasha Ledlie - data analysts from the Global Nutrition Report Secretariat - read this post on the use of data in nutrition reporting. 	http://www.eldis.org/go/latest-news/news/working-with-global-nutrition-data#.VfGJRGTBzGc

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nutrition and the SDGs: The target to "end malnutrition in all its forms" in the final draft post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) reflects a sea-change since the adoption of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) following the Millennium summit in 2000. As the UN post-2015 summit in September approaches, how does the current draft of the SDGs shape up with respect to nutrition? 	http://www.eldis.org/go/blog/posts/nutrition-and-the-sdgs#.VfGJu2TBzGc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measuring women's participation and leadership in the SDGs: Beyond women in parliaments. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have real potential to transform the lives of women and girls, but they must be accompanied by equally ambitious ways in which to measure progress. This Blog post, from Maria Vlahakis (VSO) and Abigail Hunt (Womankind), calls for indicators to measure the number of women in both local and national government, and women's own understanding of their impact. 	http://www.eldis.org/go/blog/posts/measuring-women-s-participation-and-leadership-in-the-sdgs-beyond-women-in-parliaments#.VfGJfGTBzGc
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newlight and Vinmar bet on carbon-negative plastic: Newlight's AirCarbon has won business from Dell and Sprint. Now Vinmar is making a 20 billion pound bet on carbon-based plastic. 	http://www.greenbiz.com/article/newlight-and-vinmar-bet-carbon-negative-plastic?utm_medium=email&utm_source=news&utm_campaign=greenbuzz&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWff9wsRouu6TMZKXonjHpfX66OQoXq%2BzIMl%2FoER3fOvrPUfGjI4JTcNqI%2BSDLdWEGJlv6SgFSLHEMa5qw7gMXRQ%3D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three of the largest palm oil producers and traders unveiled zero deforestation plans last year, affecting 60% of the global palm oil industry. Wilmar International, Cargill and Golden Agri-Resources pledged "to end deforestation in the palm oil trade". 	http://www.ethicalcorp.com/environment/deforestation-briefing-palmed-rumble-jungle?utm_source=http%3a%2f%2fuk.ethicalcorp.com%2ffc_ethicalcorporationIz%2f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=EC+News+280815&utm_term=Your+weekly+responsible+business+update+from+Ethical+Corp&utm_content=434583&gator_td=s%2fWMIabmXdM5rsnMnXH%2bJcDA%2bmbU8iyDMJb4AbCMFwhDnz05C8cPoXFSK7thPocdrPCop%2bKsa18v3lvdNqD4z2YFF2Tiw6y9z2CSrpJzNtzubWNYazlkqJQvbFKeYU2wcAXNU38SDw8%2f2v8AOWzGCaEqRWwXSl2JStRSINg%2b7gEXk8YpMm%2begDVKo8g2qdzWVG%2bKesIEwAeQlJjNiArNkn6jQn14rwGZCsy7OJl3A%3d
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> India's role in a sustainable palm oil sector: As the largest importer of palm oil, India can play a role in influencing a shift towards sustainable production. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2015/aug/10/india-palm-oil-sustainability-deforestation-unilever-greenpeace?CMP=new_1194&CMP=
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> oikos Case Writing Competition 2016: You are cordially invited to submit your business case to the oikos Case Writing Competition 2016! The oikos Case Writing Competition promotes the writing of high quality teaching cases on Corporate Sustainability, Social Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Finance and welcomes entries from all parts of the world. 	http://oikos-international.org/programmes/curricula-change/cases-program/

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Big companies ignoring impact on climate: Fewer than a quarter of big food, beverage and tobacco brands report agricultural emissions. 	http://www.theguardian.com/sustainable-business/2015/sep/03/biggest-food-drink-companies-ignoring-climate-impacts-supply-chain?CMP=new_1194&CMP=
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Lending and Investment Tool Sets Agricultural Supply Chain on Sustainable Path, Reducing Deforestation Threat: New research by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Natural Capital Declaration highlights the critical need to fundamentally strengthen how financial institutions view, address and manage deforestation and degradations risks. 	http://www.unep.org/newscentre/?doctypeID=1#sthash.CiPYmJFr.dpuf http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=26830&ArticleID=35289&l=en
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Largest Ever Citizen Consultation on Climate Change WWViews Report Summarized. 	http://www.unep.org/newscentre/?doctypeID=1#sthash.gDLWOGb3.dpuf http://www.unep.org/newscentre/Default.aspx?DocumentID=26840&ArticleID=35402&l=en
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How is your business adapting to climate change? Rail beds are sinking. Fires are smoking out tourist destinations. The water crisis is officially a top-10 global threat. Need we go on? Climate change is real and professional accountants are grappling with the business implications. 	http://www.ceres.org/investor-network/incr https://www.cpacanada.ca/en/connecting-and-news/news/professional-news/2015/August/How-is-your-business-adapting-to-climate-change
<p>From the CDP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CDP and South Pole Group partner to deliver first ever-global benchmark for corporate water management. Threefold surge in companies disclosing carbon price shows climate change concerns going mainstream More from CDP at https://www.cdp.net/en-US/News/Pages/news.aspx 	https://www.cdp.net/en-US/News/CDP%20News%20Article%20Pages/CDP-and-South-Pole-Group-partner-global-benchmark-corporate-water-management.aspx https://www.cdp.net/en-US/News/CDP%20News%20Article%20Pages/surge-in-companies-disclosing-carbon-price.aspx

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As each nation around the world makes preparations for reaching an international agreement on climate action at the upcoming 21st session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP 21), the Japanese government has indicated commitment to a lower greenhouse gas (GHS) emissions reduction target compared with European countries. 	http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id035315.html http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id035330.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The interval of Japan's history between 1603 and 1867 is called the Edo Period. During this era, Japanese society established a unique and sustainable society that operated within the capacity of its domestic resources by properly using plant-based materials without depending on overseas imports including fossil fuels. 	http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id035324.html
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An international study group including the National Institute for Environmental Studies from Japan announced that halocarbon emissions into the atmosphere in Japan have increased considerably since the Great East Japan Earthquake. The study revealed for the first time that natural disasters such as earthquakes and tsunamis can trigger large emissions of halocarbons. 	http://www.japanfs.org/en/news/archives/news_id035336.html

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