Local Currencies in the 21st Century
an E.F. Schumacher Society Conference

Understanding Money, Building Local Economies, Renewing Community

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There is nothing more powerful than an idea whose time has come. — Victor Hugo

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About The E. F. Schumacher Society

Plenary talks will be given in Olin Auditorium, save for Saturday evening, when the plenary talks will be held under the tent. Workshops will be housed in Olin Hall. Workshop room numbers are indicated in parentheses at the end of the workshop title. Workshops are numbered so as to reference the Workshop Descriptions and Conference Overview.

For those new to the subject of local currencies, the Conference Overview can help provide a map of issues addressed during the conference.

Local Currencies in the 21st Century is a conference convened in affirmation of an emerging era of vibrant citizen activism. The conference goal is to empower attendees with an understanding of the principles of monetary issue and the techniques by which communities can create their own regional currency systems. We imagine a network of robust local economies, benefiting small businesses and family farms, and involving consumers ever more directly with the people and land of their community.

In today’s global economy national currencies have had the effect of centralizing ownership of wealth and of widening the gap between rich and poor—all the while undermining local communities, devastating indigenous peoples, and polluting the environment. Decentralized regional currencies are an important counterforce working to redistribute wealth more broadly while supporting unique regional identities, cultures, and communities. A local currency defines a regional trading area, favoring those small independent businesses willing to trade in the currency. Local businesses, unable to compete with the products of an increasingly predatory global economy, become strong players in resilient, regional marketplaces.

In 1972, Robert Swann worked with ninety-year old economist, Ralph Borsodi, to issue a local currency in Exeter, New Hampshire, called the Constant. This experiment ended after a year due to Borsodi’s health, but Swann’s passion for discovering ways to responsibly issue currencies to renew local economies and local communities endured. Asked to serve as founding President of E. F. Schumacher Society in 1980, Swann applied this passion and helped shape the E. F. Schumacher Society’s work in the Berkshires with SHARE, Deli Dollars, Berkshire Farm Preserve Notes, and BerkShares. Swann died in January of 2003, before this conference was conceived. However, if he were here, he would thank you for your work in your community, encourage you to share the sense of possibility and hope that comes from local action, and express his trust in a younger generation creating new, regional solutions.
FRIDAY, JUNE 25th

11:00 - 3:00 pm  Registration and Check-in
3:00 - 3:15 pm  Welcome
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4:00 - 5:30 pm  Margrit Kennedy: Regional Currencies: A New Path Towards Sustainable Abundance
5:30 - 6:30 pm  Dinner
6:30 - 8:00 pm  Bernard Lietaer: The Future of Money
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SATURDAY, JUNE 26th

7:30 - 8:30 am  Breakfast
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#27 Douglas Frederick Jack: Indigenous Economies: A Circle of Life (202)

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#28 Richard Kotlarz, Tom Kennedy, Verne Warwick, and Michael Murphy: Usury: The Strange Superstition (102)

5:00 - 6:30 pm Dinner
6:30 - 7:30 pm Mary-Beth Raddon: A Wealth of Experience: Community Currencies Past & Present (under the tent)
7:30 - 9:00 pm Edgar Cahn & Christine Grey-Cahn: Time Dollars as an Instrument of Social Justice and Systems Change (under the tent)
9:00 - 10:30 pm Optional Featured Movie: The End of Suburbia

SUNDAY, JUNE 27th

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# 33 Woody Tasch, Susan Witt, and Paul Glover: Slow Money/Slow Food (205)

12:00 - 1:30 pm Lunch
1:30 - 2:30 pm Michael Shuman: Say You Want a Local Revolution
3:00 - 4:30 pm Closing Panel and Community Discussion
5:00 - 9:00 pm Local Food Fest and concert by Pete Seeger and friends, and introducing Adam Growold and the MeatPackers from Shelburne, Vermont
Local Currencies
The E. F. Schumacher Society employs the term “local currencies” to refer to place-based monetary tools for building sustainable local economies. Other terms that have arisen and which will be used during the conference, include “complementary currencies,” “community currencies,” and sometimes “alternative currencies.” These local currencies take many forms.

Local Bank Notes
In the 1800’s nearly all commercial banks in the United States issued their own individual currencies at the point of making “productive” loans to businesses. Typically a productive loan is made for purchase of equipment (machinery, tools, supplies) that will result in an increased availability of goods in the economy. In this way local banks determined the amount and kind of credit needed to stimulate business development in each particular region. In 1913 with the creation of the Federal Reserve Act, local bank money was replaced by the federal dollar issued by a coalition of private banks that make up the Federal Reserve banking system. The International Independence Institute, under the leadership of Ralph Borsodi and E. F. Schumacher Society founding President, Robert Swann, issued a “Constant” in Exeter, New Hampshire in 1972 in cooperation with an Exeter bank. The Constant circulated for a year in Exeter stores as a demonstration that local bank notes, working with the not-for-profit sector, remain a contemporary option for local exchange.

HOURS
In 1991, Paul Glover organized a local currency for his hometown of Ithaca, New York, that used paper notes for trade of local goods and services. The notes were denominated in hours of labor (equivalent to the average hourly wage for Ithaca or $10). To begin circulation, Hours were issued to owners of small businesses willing to accept the notes in trade for goods and services. Paul’s concept was that Hours would be backed by the future productivity of those to whom they were issued and so Hours would maintain a strong value independent of the fluctuation in federal dollars.

Over the next decade, Hours programs spread in over 50 communities throughout the United States and Canada engaging citizens in the discussion of creating their own regional monetary systems. Of these start-ups only a few are still running. Ithaca Hours continues to grow, having developed several new initiatives including a local health insurance program and exceptional collaboration with Alternatives Credit Union that offers an optional Hours account.

One factor in the attrition of Hours programs is that community groups failed to anticipate the start-up time and costs involved in promoting and sustaining a new currency issue.

Workshops # 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8

Time Dollars, Time Banks (UK)
Following a long illness during which the services of others were critical to his recovery, lawyer Edgar Cahn devised a program called Time Dollars. Time Dollars are used to record the good deeds of neighbors for each other. Old, young, handicapped, and marginalized, all have some service to contribute to their community and so can earn and bank Time Dollars for occasions when they are in need. In order for Time Dollar Institutes to maintain tax-exempt status as charities, Time Dollar transactions are generally limited to what would be called “the gift economy,” excluding commercial economic exchanges. Nevertheless, Time Dollars have shown to be an extraordinary tool for weaving values such as reciprocity, trust, cooperation, and what Edgar calls “co-production” in a community. Numerous Time Dollar networks are active throughout the US and the UK.

Workshops # 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

LETS (Local Economic Trading Systems)
Michael Linton founded the first LETS program in the early 1980s on Vancouver Island in Canada. LETS programs were created as a simple debit and credit system, denominated in the national currency. Consumers wishing to purchase goods or services offered through the LETS program would simply phone in a transaction to a central coordinator and their LETS account would be debited and the seller’s account credited. Producers would then spend their credits with other members in the system. The system was essentially self-regulated.
with members issuing their own line of credit at the point of making a purchase. LETS programs are by far the most popular local currency systems throughout the world, spawning various adaptations. LETS development has been slow in the US, however. IRS law recognizes LETS programs as barter systems and as such requires system managers to report the total value of transactions for each individual to the Internal Revenue Service. This kind of management has proven costly and burdensome for start up systems, discouraging broad replication in this country up until this point.

Workshops # 13, 18, 19

Self-Financing Scrip
In 1989, after being denied a bank loan, the owner of The Deli in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, issued “Deli Dollars” as a way to finance the move from one location to another. Customers bought Deli Dollars for $8 to be redeemed for $10 worth of soup and sandwiches at a later date. It was not the first time scrip had been used as a self-financing tool for a small business, but Deli Dollars caught the attention of international media including CNN, NBC, CBS, and Tokyo TV, giving new energy to the local currency movement. Other small businesses in Great Barrington issued their own notes to eager customers, demonstrating that citizens working together can create independent, low-cost methods of making micro-credit loans that double as a local currency.

Workshop #9 and 33

Multiple-Store Notes/Customer Loyalty Scrip
In 1991 in Great Barrington seventy merchants worked with the Chamber of Commerce to issue BerkShares. During a six-week period, customers collected one BerkShare for every $10 spent at one of the stores. Then during a designated three-day redemption period, BerkShares could be spent as cash for store items, creating a spirit of festivity on Main Street. Again there are many variations on this simple approach in which multiple businesses reward their regular customers through discount notes.

In some areas such as Toronto, Canada, and the Salt Spring Islands off of Vancouver, consumers initiate the exchange through conversion of federal notes to a local currency traded exclusively at regional stores.

Workshops # 4, 9, 14, 16

National & International Experimentation with Forms of Currency
Economists have long debated monetary theory, putting forth different arguments about how money should be placed in circulation. Many involved in the local currency movement are at the same time interested in alternative or complementary national and international currencies. Some of these interests are represented at the conference.

Commodity Backed Currencies
For centuries fiscal conservatives have advocated for a currency backed by something of perceived value such as gold and silver as a way to discourage the over-issue that leads to inflation. Others have suggested backing in a basket of commodities such as grains, vegetable oils, fossil fuels, and minerals. The Liberty Dollar is a contemporary private, for-profit revival of the effort to create a gold and silver backed currency.

Workshop #20

Electronic Trading Tools
The Internet and other new technologies such as “smart cards” have opened the possibility of trading without use of traditional forms of money. Many inventive individuals are suggesting ways of linking these electronic cards, which are primarily tools to facilitate consumer credit, to businesses with defined missions, such as merchants of green products.

The majority of these applications are still on the drawing board, but their developers have imagined including aspects of customer loyalty notes and other discount benefits as incentives for consumers to join. Most are denominated in US dollars though The Terra Trade Reference Currency proposed by Bernard Lietaer is exploring an electronic trading card with transactions denominated in a basket of commodities held by global corporations.

Workshops # 22, 31, 34, 35, 36
Barter Exchange Systems
Our earliest experience of barter is the simple exchange of goods or services between two people. However there is a thriving international world of commercial barter exchanges. These systems can involve complex multiple trades. While most of these systems denominate trades in US dollars, some are introducing their own measure of exchange functioning much like a currency.
In 1934, Basel, Switzerland became headquarters to a highly successful Swiss business to business barter exchange system known as “WIR,” (German for “We”). Consumers are excluded from participation. Trades are denominated in WIR and businesses can “bank” credits for future transaction. Members are given discount incentives for trading within the system. System administrators are authorized to extend credit (make loans in WIR) to businesses meeting the system’s economic criteria. The WIR network is credited with stabilizing the Swiss economy.
Other barter groups rely on inventories of excess capacity, offering these inventories in trade at discounts to members. Some commercial barter groups are considering ways to expand their trade to include consumers, thereby functioning like a currency within a defined trading arena.

History & Theory of Money
All of the innovative programs described during this conference grew out of a series of private and public discussions on the nature of money, its role in the economic system, and its effect on society and culture. All of the plenary and workshop presentations will touch on this subject in some way; some will focus on it.
Workshops # 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33

Reports from Abroad
We are privileged to have a number of presenters from abroad who will report on the complex of local currency programs in their regions.
Workshops # 14, 15, 16, 17, 23

Future of Local Currencies
The variety of local currency programs, as outlined above, involve three very different kinds of money. One is consumer credit that facilitates the ability of individuals to purchase needed goods and services. The second is gift money recording our generosity to others. The gift economy builds very real links in a community, strengthening the social and cultural fabric and contributing to the quality of life, but does not directly enter into the creation and exchange of goods and services. The third kind of money is what is commonly known as investment capital. This is money needed for business start-ups and expansion, capital for the means of production, as distinct from monthly operating costs. When Jane Jacobs, the renowned regional planner, portrayed regional currencies as an elegant tool for creation of import-replacing businesses, she had this third kind of money in mind. In the future all three forms of money will be essential to an overall strategy for building healthy local economies.
What should we expect from the local currency movement in the near term? (1) Certainly new innovation in consumer-credit systems—supporting “Buy Local First” programs, and providing incentives for consumers to come back to the storefronts on their Main Streets. (2) Greater cooperation between the highly popular Time Dollar systems and the consumer credit systems in which administrative capabilities are shared, outreach in the local community is shared, and technology is shared. (3) At the same time it will be essential to apply our collective creativity to the problem of how communities can issue local currencies in the form of no-interest loans to finance businesses producing goods now imported from afar.

Citizen Activists
There is much work ahead. All of you gathered at this conference are engaged in creating solutions to the growing problems of globalization—solutions that will link us ever more directly with the people and land of our own communities. This conference is in honor of you.
1. Identifying Problems, Sustaining Circulation
   Ed Collom, Margaret McCasland, Monica Hargraves, Laura Markowitz, and additional
   comments and discussion from member representatives of active local currency groups
   Workshop discussants will look at the track record of local currencies in the United States and identify
   sources of stagnation and failure. The group will then explore possible means of preventing burnout and re-
   establishing a currency after it fails.

2. The Social Equity Challenge: Engaging and Sustaining a Diverse Community
   Through Local Currency
   LeGrace Benson and Faidra Papavasiliou
   Though local currencies are meant to benefit all segments of the community, engaging a diverse
   cross-section of people is challenging. Attendees will learn about an initiative by Ithaca HOURS Inc. to
   involve Ithaca’s low-income population in the HOURS economy by breaking barriers to communication
   and finding solutions to the challenges faced by this group. Drawing on the lessons learned from this
   project we would like to discuss other ways of promoting social equity through local currency programs.

3. Keeping Money Circulating within Communities: Nuts and Bolts of Local
   Currencies based on the Ithaca Experience
   Monica Hargraves and Margaret McCasland
   Since 1991, more than $100,000 worth of Ithaca HOURS have been put into circulation. This workshop
   will focus on “how-to” information for people setting up new local currency systems and for people from
   existing systems who want to increase their circulation or tweak their office procedures. Topics will include
   circulation policies, record-keeping, grants, loans, the HOURS Treasury System, and possibly bookkeeping.
   This will be a participatory session, with inputs from other systems encouraged and welcomed so that we can
   all learn from each other.

4. Salt Spring Dollars
   Eric Booth
   Eric Booth will describe the history of Salt Spring Dollars ($$) on Vancouver Island in Canada. He will
   discuss: the development of the artwork and security features of the $$; the implementation of $$ within
   the banking system; the involvement of consumers; the benefits to merchants of a fully backed currency;
   and current and future projects in $$, including bond issues.

5. Burlington Bread: Going Beyond Grassroots, Widening Involvement in a
   Local Currency to the City, University etc.
   Laura Markowitz and Amy Kirschner
   The presenters will give a summary of the development of Burlington Bread since its founding in 1998.
   The workshop will also describe the plans for a relaunch that Bread is currently undertaking. Plans include
   a community-wide competition for a new currency design, an electronic component to the currency, and
   involvement in an upcoming Sustainable Cities Conference in Burlington in mid-July.

6. PLENTY of Lessons Learned & LOOPS (Local Occurrences of Organized
   PLENTY Spending)
   Jon Lepofsky
   Jon Lepofsky will first describe the PLENTY program and the problems it has faced because of over-
   accumulation and uneven distribution among participating businesses and individuals. He will then present
   a method that attempts to rectify these problems by increasing circulation through a project they are calling
   “LOOPS” (Local Occurrences of Organized PLENTY economy). These LOOPS will take a variety of
   forms but each will potentially intensify the frequency of PLENTY use and diffuse PLENTYs among more
   members.
7. Funding and Outcome Measurements for Local Currency
   Gerald Wheatley
   Based on his work with Calgary Dollars, Gerald Wheatley will focus on pragmatic issues of local currency management including database development and management, funding, business participation, member surveys, and outcomes measurement.

8. Equal Dollars Community Currency and Bartering System
   Vanessa Williams, Jonathan Duncan, and Alva Clemons
   This presentation by staff of Equal Dollars will focus on the unique challenges associated with growing a community currency system in an urban area.

   Susan Witt
   At the E. F. Schumacher Society our study of how to build sustainable local economies led us to a simple premise: The most appropriate way to issue money is through regionally-based, democratically-structured, nonprofit citizen groups that place money in circulation through the making of productive, non-interest bearing loans meeting locally defined economic, social, ecological, and cultural criteria. Naturally we wished to apply our ideas in our home region of the Berkshires. In the process we launched a micro-credit program (SHARE), sponsored the issue of a series of store notes (Deli Dollars et al) that drew international media attention to the subject of local currencies, worked with the Chamber of Commerce to issue multiple-store loyalty notes (BerkShares), and discovered the banking and business community were interested in a town-wide discount note. BerkShares are a story still in progress. The workshop will describe each stage of this implementation process in detail, including the sharing of legal documents.

    Auta Main
    Time Dollars, a new way of sharing our resources, has become an international movement. We are neighbors helping neighbors, and this year alone, members of the US Time Dollar movement will exchange 500,000 hours of services. In this workshop Main will address the question of whether a Time Dollar System is right for your neighborhood, the fundamental steps necessary to start a local Time Dollar System, and the use of Time Keeper software.

11. Further discussion, questions, and answers about Time Dollars
    Christine Grey-Cahn and associates from the Time Dollar Network

12. Local Currency & Local Health Insurance
    Paul Glover
    You can add nonprofit low-cost co-op health insurance to your local currency directory. The Ithaca Health Fund has become one of the largest traders of Ithaca HOURS. Glover will also speak about promotion of local currency via local listserves.

13. "We can have what we need if we use what we have."
    Martin Simon and David Boyle
    Time Banking has taken off in the UK in a big way. There are now seventy-five active time banks and fifty on the way. Simon and Boyle will describe Time Banks and discuss the reasons for their rapid growth, introducing two key concepts: co-production and co-sufficiency. A local time-based currency offers a much needed modern framework for people to risk, share, co-operate, and allow reciprocity and trust to flourish across economic and social divides.
14. The Power of Facts: Complementary Currencies in Argentina
Heloisa Primavera
Heloisa Primavera will describe the multiple currency systems that have developed in Argentina since the ’80s. She will explain how provincial bonds were created as “state” money to complement the national currency. From 1995 to 2002, the number of “barter clubs” in the country experienced rapid growth. This “social money” phenomenon was affected by the economic and political crisis of December 2001. Primavera will describe the current economic situation of Argentina and the various responses employing complementary currencies.

15. Are Complementary Currencies in Europe Going Mainstream?
Agnieszka Komoch
For several years now Europe has experienced remarkable growth in the number of complementary currencies. Local and regional currency initiatives are emerging throughout European states. Increasingly these initiatives are met with an expression of support from banks, mainstream financial institutions, and public authorities. But will these “mainstream complementary currencies” function in a different way than those currently employed? And what is their potential? These are some questions that Komoch will try to answer in order to understand the implications of these developments.

Ikuma Saga
Earthday Money, a local/community currency based in the center of Tokyo, is one of hundreds of complementary currencies that has sprung up in Japan since the early ’90s. Earthday Money seeks to create a local currency that promotes environmental awareness and positive action by rewarding responsible action with spendable money. The idea of “zero emissions community currencies” will be explained. Saga will report on a few of the many Earthday Money projects that are in place including: the cleaning up of downtown Tokyo, urban landscaping, caring for the homeless, a farmers’ market, and the establishment of community gardening.

17. Experiences From and Principles for Interest-free Savings-Loans in Denmark and Sweden
Per Almgren
Per Almgren will present a short review of the Danish JAK (Land, Labor, Capital) movement that emerged in the beginning of the 1930s and its practical experiments with issuing local currency and establishing interest-free financing. He will then describe further development of these interest-free savings-loans systems beginning in 1965 with the Swedish JAK movement and with Nordiska sparlan (Nordic savings-loans). He will sum up with the necessary steps one must take to initiate a similar enterprise.

18. Open Money — An Undertaking in Accountancy
Michael Linton
LETS (sometimes called Local Economic Trading Systems) are by far the most popular local currency system to date with thousands of systems in operation around the world. In this workshop Michael Linton, designer of the original LETS system, will discuss the two forms of money – "real" and "virtual" – and how they differ. He will then cover further development of community currencies, including: the LETS play-on-line demonstration game; open money space/platform for multiple community currencies (cc); cc service providers (ccsp) network; naming the space; digital selves in the currency commons; paying the way; sustainable community currency development programs; “community way” and fundraising for third sector; local, regional, and national coordination; chaotic collaboration models; smart cards and phones; network or not work; moving “memes,” collective intelligence; and emergent behavior.
19. Open Money — Where the Rubber Meets the Road
   Michael Linton
   Linton will briefly review the previous workshop and go on to discuss the introduction and management of
   cc services platforms — developing short, medium, and long term viability at the local, regional, and national
   levels by making OUR money work.

20. From Ralph Borsodi to The Liberty Dollar
   Bernard von NotHaus
   In this presentation, von NotHaus will discuss the importance of Ralph Borsodi, Murray Rothbard, and
   others whose work contributed toward the design and development of the The Liberty Dollar, a currency
   issued by von NotHaus’s company, Norfed. He will conclude with his vision for Regional Currency Offices.

21. Community Time Centers
   John Rogers and Geoff Thomas
   Workshop presenters will explore the idea of Community Time Centers (CTC). CTC is a proposal for
   converting existing community centers from places where passive recipients consume public services delivered
   by professionals into centers that actively generate social energy and participation in a range of community
   activities. Drawing on the rich history of the South Wales with its Miners’ Institutes, the presenters will
   suggest how modern community centers can regain the same levels of active participation and become new
   powerhouses for community development and regeneration.

22. Further discussion, questions, and answers about The Future of Money
    Bernard Lietaer

23. Further discussion, questions, and answers about Regional Currencies
   Margrit Kennedy

24. Gandhian Economics
    Dwarko Sundram
    When striving for a nonviolent economics, we naturally start from a different set of principles than those of
    prevailing economic thought. It was John Ruskin who so beautifully and succinctly called for "work according
    to ability and wages according to need." Such an ideal flies in the face of a system trained to pay wages
    according to competence or performance. Gandhian economics is inherently decentralized; power flows from
    the bottom up traveling only as far as is needed. This workshop will focus on the essentials of nonviolent
    economics—an economics without coercion in which everyone contributes according to his or her own
    abilities and reaps rewards that match needs. Gandhi’s concept of "trusteeship" will be explained.

25. Spiritual Metaphors for Money
    Christopher Bamford
    Drawing on anthropology, the archeology of archaic cultures, the world’s spiritual traditions, and
    contemporary spiritual thinkers like Rudolf Steiner, this workshop/conversation will explore different
    metaphors for money and the economy, based on entirely different premises. We will explore, for instance,
    gift, barter, and friendship economies, as well as organic metaphors for money based on such phenomena as
    blood circulation, language, and conversation.

26. Money and Magic
    David Boyle
    Don’t tell the economists, but there is a connection between two words in this workshop’s title. It exists in the
    financial system and we can learn from it when we invent new kinds of money. Also: Arthur Miller, Peter Pan
and the importance of belief; The Monster has Escaped: The international monetary system and why it’s so dangerous; Cavaliers and Roundheads: The great division in money creation; where money really comes from; and the alchemists and what we can learn from them.

27. Indigenous Economics: A Circle of Life
Douglas F. Jack
Douglas Jack will show thirty graphic diagrams that describe an Indigenous Socio-Economics. His presentation will cover: “The Circle of Life”—time-based accounting cycles for currency, and Green Mapping as a tool for planning and communication. Jack will discuss crucial differences between an indigenous and European monetary system. He believes that indigenous practices and philosophy will help local currency systems nest in a culture of recognition, accountability, valorization and empowerment.

28. Usury: The Strange Superstition
Richard Kotlarz, Michael Murphy, Tom Kennedy, and Verne Warwick
For thousands of years, “usury” was a term commonly referred to in the great works of literature such as the Bible and the Koran, where it was strictly forbidden. Today the term has virtually fallen from public awareness. This panel will explore the idea of usury in various historical and modern, social and spiritual contexts; it will address why, in these critical times, the importance of renewing our understanding of usury and its far-reaching consequences.

29. Building Healthy Community Economies
Thomas H. Greco, Jr.
This presentation describes how municipal governments, business associations, and nonprofit organizations can ideally implement complementary currencies and exchange systems to save on financing costs, while building a foundation for greater community self-determination, productivity, and self-reliance. Greco will explain in detail how a community currency should properly be issued.

30. Two South Pacific Experiments
Donald Bethune
After a short synopsis of three hundred years of banking history to establish a context, this session will review two contrasting fifteen-year-periods of New Zealand monetary policy to enable attendees to gain a better understanding of: (a) How a basic money system actually works; (b) How an economy and living standards thrive when human resources are fully used; and (c) How financial starvation guarantees escalating unemployment, crime, and social disintegration. The economic outcome of both periods in history conflicted with the experts’ predictions, making the discussion particularly interesting. Bethune will go on to contrast commercial banking with community currencies.

31. The Contraction Challenge: Energy, Money, and Climate Change
Richard Douthwaite and Julian Darley
The news that world oil production will soon be in decline is starting to reach the mainstream media. Global climate change appears to be worsening faster than almost anyone had predicted. The implications of these events for the industrial economic system will be profound, if not devastating. In this workshop Richard Douthwaite and Julian Darley will examine ways of linking energy and new currencies, both at the local and global level. They will then discuss proposals for implementing energy-backed and emissions-backed currencies.

32. On the De-commodification of Labor and Capital
Christopher Mackin and Naomi Giszpenc
The movement to de-commodify labor has acquired much recognition in the past decade in the form of worker-ownership movements such as the Mondragon network of cooperatives in the Basque region of Spain and other similar efforts here in the United States. One on-going initiative in this respect is the effort to
form garment-manufacturing cooperatives under an anti-sweatshop "brand" called SweatX. Workshop attendees are invited to join Chris Mackin and Noemi Giszpenc of Ownership Associates, in a discussion asking, "how can movements to de-commodify labor be joined to efforts to de-commodify capital?"

33. Slow Money/Slow Food
Woody Tasch, Susan Witt, and Paul Glover
Woody Tasch suggests we need a "Slow Money" movement to parallel the “Slow Food” movement. “Because as money speeds up it colonizes, with increasing insidiousness and invisibility, ever more our attention, our human potential, and our ability to control our destiny—both individually and collectively . . . We need to bring money back down to earth.” He sees business models that promote and support local agriculture such as Farmers Diner as a first step and counts local currencies as “slow money.” Susan Witt will describe how Berkshire Farm Preserve Notes helped customers support their favorite farm stands through winter months. Paul Glover, will talk about his experience with Ithaca HOURS’ impact on the network of Ithaca’s small farms.

34. Urgently Sought — Local Currency with 6 Billion Members: Toward Presenting a Strong Business Case
Martin "Hasan" Bramwell
Small- to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are the principal providers of employment, yet face disproportionate obstacles from public and financial sectors. Offered a convincing and appropriate business case, they represent highly fertile ground for propagating democratization of the medium of exchange. The workshop will explore a project initiative resulting from taking a Business Process Re-engineering view of this objective. Prototype software and animated presentations demonstrate the old and new currency techniques combined so as to appeal strongly to SMEs.

35. Collective Intelligence Technologies: Building Currencies for the 21st Century
Jean-François Nouel
Collective Intelligence is the capability for a community (whatever the size) to decide its own future and coordinate in a complex and unstable context. Trust building, ‘holopticism’, collective visualization tools, feedback and feedforward loops, social network architecting, global awareness raising, and social contract building are all part of this new discipline. The main Collective Intelligence concepts, methodologies, and tools will be explored during the workshop as instrumental and concrete levers to build sustainable, scalable, democratic, and self-balanced currencies.

36. Learning to Fly: Coalition Models
Christian (Xian) Isquierdo
Christian (Xian) Isquierdo will explore emerging models of local loyalty currency employed for community building. The workshop will highlight the incentives and other benefits of organizing community currencies. Based on his experiences with the community HeroCard and the Boulder Independent Business Alliance—two pioneering organizations on the forefront of coalition marketing—the presenter will describe the use of cause-based loyalty messages for maximizing the local multiplier effect. Isquierdo will outline ten organizing principles for community loyalty currencies that integrate with current business models and offer complementary currency solutions that provide win/win scenarios.

Introductory Panel of Local Currency Groups

Monica Hargraves, Margaret McCasland (Ithaca HOURS); Vanessa Williams (Equal Dollars); Gerald Wheatley (Calgary Dollars); Auta Main (MTDN); Eric Booth (Salt Spring Dollars); Jon Lepofsky (NC Plenty); Ikuma Saga (Earthday Dollars); Laura Markowitz (Burlington Bread); and other groups in attendance.
Plenary Speakers

David Boyle, a senior associate of the New Economics Foundation, and the editor of Radical Economics. Founder of the London Time Bank network and co-founder of Time Bank UK. Author of a series of books dealing with alternative money, including *Funny Money*, *The Money Changers*, and *The Little Money Book*. His other works include *The Sum of Our Discontent* and *Authenticity: Brands, Fakes, Spin and the Lust for Real Life.*

Edgar Cahn, creator of “Time Dollars” and President of the Time Dollar Institute. Author of *No More Throw-Away People: The Co-Production Imperative*, which outlines a bold, pragmatic strategy that shatters limits on social change. Co-founder of the Antioch School of Law, a Fulbright Scholar, Professor of Law, and author of *Our Brothers Keeper: The Indian in White America and Hunger USA.*


Thomas H. Greco, Jr., economist, educator, writer, researcher, and consultant at the leading edge of transformational restructuring. Founder/Director of the Community Information Resource Center. Author of *Money: Understanding and Creating Alternatives to Legal Tender* (Chelsea Green Publishing), *New Money for Healthy Communities, and Money and Debt: A Solution to the Global Crisis.*

Christine Grey, Director of Training, Communications, and Strategies for Systems Change for the Time Dollar Institute. Has developed such tools as the Time Dollar website, Time Dollar/Co-Production How-To Training, and Time Dollar How-To Manual. Facilitator for Time Dollars workshops and to help agencies to address the organizational implications of Time Dollars as a strategy for systems change.

Margit Kennedy, an architect with a Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning and a Ph.D. in Public and International Affairs. Worked as a professor for Ecological Building Technologies. Author of *Interest and Inflation-Free Money: Creating an Exchange Medium that Works for Everybody and Protects the Earth.* As a consultant in complementary currencies, helped create a sustainable money system with demurrage for the planned international city of Auroville, India, for Cali, Columbia, and regions in Argentina, Germany, and New Zealand.

Bernard Lietaer, a research fellow at the Center for Sustainable Resources of the University of California at Berkeley. Visiting Professor at the Marpa Center for Business and Economics of Naropa University, and Chairman of the ACCESS Foundation. Author of *The Future of Money: Creating New Wealth, Work and a Wiser World* and *Of Human Wealth: Beyond Greed and Scarcity.* Has served as a central banker for Belgium, general manager of the most successful offshore currency fund, professor of international finance, and senior consultant to multinational corporations and developing countries.

Mary-Beth Raddon, a Ph.D Sociologist conducted extensive research into the sociology of economic life, focusing on money and gift relations. Activist in numerous LETS systems in Canada, and author of *Community and Money: Men and Women Making Change,* which demonstrates that a new economy is built through economic reform, creating community, and realizing new relationships between the genders.

Michael Shuman, attorney, co-Director of Community Ventures, and author of five books, including *Going Local: Creating Self-Reliant Communities in a Global Age* and numerous articles on the relationship between community and international affairs. His work has appeared in *The New York Times, the Washington Post, The Nation,* and *Parade.*
Honorary Guests

Pete Seeger, musician, singer, songwriter, folklorist, labor activist, environmentalist, and peace advocate. Received nation's highest artistic honors at the Kennedy Center, gained entry into Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and earned the Harvard Arts Medal. Won a Grammy Award for Best Traditional Folk Album, and accepted the Felix Varela Medal, Cuba's highest honor for humanistic and artistic work in defense of the environment and against racism.

Dwarko Sundrani, one of the last active disciples of Mahatma Gandhi, and dedicated his life to working with the poor in Bodh Gaya, Bihar, India. Helped to establish and run a network of 360 schools steeped in the Gandhian tradition of nonviolence. Sundrani continues in this tradition with his current project to establish a Center for Nonviolence Research in Bodh Gaya.

Workshop Leaders

Per Almgren, former general manager of the Swedish JAK Bank, an interest-free and member owned bank. Designer of the interest free savings and loans systems used in Sweden since 1973 by JAK and other interest-free financial institutions.

Christopher Bamford, longtime student of Western spiritual traditions and author of The Voice of the Eagle: The Heart of Celtic Christianity and An Endless Trace: The Passionate Pursuit of Wisdom in the West. Editor-in-chief of SteinerBooks (Anthroposophic Press) and Lindisfarne Books.

LeGrace Benson, professor emerita in Art History at the State University of New York and current director of the Arts of Haiti project. Formerly Tompkins County Board representative, and a long-time member of Ithaca HOURS currently serving as vice-president. A Cornell Civic Fellow for 2003-2004.

Donald Bethune, former President of the New Zealand Social Credit Institute and Managing Director of Dominion Incubators Limited. New Zealand Social Credit Party Electorate Candidate, Dominion President, New Zealand Sovereignty Program Moderator, and founder and editor of Electronz, a weekly New Economics ezine.

Eric Booth, co-founder and creator of the Salt Spring Dollar Project. Director of Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation (SS IMF), and was elected as a trustee in the Islands local government.

Martin (Hasan) Bramwell, an information systems architect with nearly thirty years experience in robotics, satellite remote sensing, management information systems, digital cryptography, and eGovernment. Focuses on offering widescale monetary alternatives to small to medium enterprises in the third world.

Ed Collom, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Southern Maine. Research tends to concern the study of alternative social forms: community currency (alternative to mainstream economy), home schooling (alternative to public education system), and workplace democracy (alternative to bureaucratic control structures).

Alva Clemons has been a coach and a member of the Equal Dollars system for over three years.

Julian Darley, founder and Director of Post Carbon Institute. Has written web software to help manage local money transactions (for LETS), Author of High Noon for Natural Gas - The New Energy Crisis, (Chelsea Green Publishing), Founder and editor of GlobalPublicMedia.com.

Jonathan Duncan, Assistant Project Director for Equal Dollars. Also works as Data Administrator for Resources for Human Development's Workforce Development programs, tracking those transitioning from welfare to work.

Noemi Giszpenc, a principal at Ownership Associates, a management consulting firm. Contributes as writer or speaker for employee-ownership publications and events.

Paul Glover, founder of Ithaca HOURS, the
Ithaca Health Fund, Whole Ithaca Stock Exchange (WISE), Citizen Planners of Los Angeles, and other programs. Publishes Ithaca Community News and chronicles the corporate takeover of organic foods.

Monica Hargraves, former economist in the Research Departments of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and the IMF, and on the faculty of Brown University. Member of the HOURS Advisory Board, first President of the Ithaca HOURS Board of Directors, and current Circulation Manager for the system.

Christian (Xian) Isquierdo, former Executive Director for the Boulder Independent Business Alliance, Co-facilitator of Group Leadership Trainings, and consultant for Community Development Strategies with Community HeartCard. Currently project coordinator for a community health clinic in Minneapolis.

Douglas Frederick Jack, owned an orchard, conducted ecological mapping, controlled pulp and paper pollution, worked in health and safety, managed reforestation, and helped develop BC’s Natural Food Co-op network. Doug specializes in indigenous economy and its inclusive and participatory aspects including accounting, capital, and currency.

Tom J. Kennedy, former elementary school teacher, founder of The Cyberclass Network, and currently building the UsuryFree Network, a loyal database of usury-free time-traders that is designed for local, national, and international use.

Amy Kirschner, on the Burlington Currency Project Board of Directors and Marketing Committee. A graduate student at the University of Vermont in the School of Natural Resources.

Agnieszka Komoch, former President of the Global Ecovillage Network (GEN) of Europe. Currently organizing an international complementary currencies conference in Europe. Working to develop regional currencies in Austria, Germany, Italy and Spain. Member of the facilitation committee of the Social Money Workshop.

Richard Kotlarz, worked as a technician in the fields of engineering consulting, industrial testing and product design. Challenges the assumptions of both orthodox and alternative discourse and dubbed his worldview, “A New Seed Dialogue.”

Jon Lepofsky, Advisory Member of Board of Trustees of NCP, Inc., with experience working with community-based organizations in Atlanta, Boston, New York City, and North Carolina. A current graduate student in University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Department of Geography.

Michael Linton, an activist in community currency development and designer of LETSystems, LETSplay, community way cc smart systems, and the open money projects. Now a systems designer, working primarily on systems for open society.

Christopher Mackin, founder and President of Ownership Associates of Cambridge. Consultant on employee ownership through ESOPs and Cooperatives. Member of the core faculty of the Harvard Trade Union Program and on the Board of Directors of TeamX, Inc. a manufacturer of SweatX brand apparel.

Auta Main, former Executive Director of Maine Time Dollar Network, and led creation of New England Time Dollar with 10 satellite sites in place throughout New England. Currently the Interim Community Revitalization Director for Time Dollars USA.

Laura Markowitz, part of the nascent Tampa Bay Greens in the late 80s, became involved in the Burlington Currency Project (BCP) as a member. Now an organizer for the BCP and, more recently, chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Margaret McCasland, involved in Ithaca HOURS since its founding, conducted “retail relations” for Ithaca HOURS, and edited the HOURS Town newspaper and directory. A teacher and curriculum writer with a special interest in science education and environmental issues.

Michael Murphy, a former history teacher, left New York during the Back to the Land Movement,
settling in the hills and hollows of Lincoln County, West Virginia. Author of A History and a Commentary on the Tree of Life.

Bernard von NotHaus, designer and creator of the Liberty Dollar, a private, silver backed currency that has over 100,000 users. Editor of The Liberty Dollar Solution To The Federal Reserve. Served as the Mintmaster at the Royal Hawaiian Mint for 25 years.

Jean-Francois Noubel, a founder of AOL France, instrumental in building the Internet vision and industry in France. In charge of an international research and action network about Collective Intelligence.

Faidra Papavasiliou, a doctoral candidate in anthropology from Emory University, examining implications of the local currencies movement for sustainable development and basing her dissertation work on Ithaca HOURS, and working for the HOURS board on various projects.

Heloisa Primavera, Neurobiologist, Director of the Research and Development Program on Complementary Currencies and Social Economy, co-founder of the RedLASES (Latin American Solidarity based SocioEconomy Network), and on the international team of the Workgroup on Solidarity based Socioeconomy. Currently a social policies consultant to local, state and federal government in the area of social policies.

John Rogers (BA, PGCE, NLP Trainer), co-founder of South Powys LETS and organizer of two LETS conferences in Wales. Has worked in the fields of education and community development for over 20 years as teacher, organizer, community worker, and activist.

Ikuma Saga, a representative of the Earthday Money Association and researcher and consultant at the Japan Research Institute. A member of Japan Open Money Project (JOMP). Author of Community Currency and a regular writer for the magazines Sotokoto and Modern Forest Industry.

Martin Simon, Director of Time Banks UK, a network of 75 time banks (with a further 57 in development). Has served as a community development specialist for over twenty years, worked as an organizational development consultant, and is an Alinsky trained Community Organizer.

Woody Tasch, Chairman and CEO of Investors’ Circle. Former Treasurer of the Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation. On the start-up management team of Healthdata International, a Principal at Prince Ventures, and founding Chair of the Community Development Venture Capital Alliance and the Nantucket Sustainable Development Corporation.

Geoff Thomas (BSc, M. Phil), has worked in a range of capacities as social worker, community worker, researcher and independent consultant. He brings particular expertise in the theory of community development to the design of effective community currencies.

Verne A. Warwick, a professional engineer, specializes in MHD MagnetoHydroDynamics, the treatment of fluids with a magnetic field. Author of Clear Money, which proves mathematically, graphically, and logically that all taxation is unnecessary.

Gerald Wheatley, founding member and current coordinator of Calgary Dollars, has an International Relations degree and is currently completing an MA in social research methods based on local currency interviews completed in Ithaca, New York, Nelson, British Columbia, and Calgary, Alberta.

Vanessa Williams, former Executive Director of the YWCA of Chester, Master’s Degree in Community Economic Development. Current Project Director for "Equal Dollars," a Community Currency and Bartering System, at Resources for Human Development.

Susan Witt, Executive Director of the E. F. Schumacher Society, created the SHARE microcredit program that sponsored the issue of Deli Dollars and Berkshire Farm Preserve Notes in 1989. Also administrator of the Community Land Trust in the Southern Berkshires. Her essays on regional economics appear in a variety of publications.
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