



REconomy – Pathways and Strategies towards a new Economy

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Talk 30.10., 8:00 pm – Talk 31.10., 7:00 pm – Workshop 1.+2.11., 9:30 am – 5:00 pm
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A series of events on reshaping the local economy

How would an economy look like that fulfills our needs while respecting the natural boundaries? And how could we re-think and re-design our economy in the first place? Which models and experiences are already available?

In the context of this series, actors from the international transition network report on an exciting pilot project for relocalizing the economy: the REconomy Project. Two lectures and a training workshop shed the light on concepts, ideas and strategies. The series is organized by the transition initiative in Bonn "Bonn im Wandel" in cooperation with the students association of Bonn University and the initiative for civil use of the Ermekeil-casern.

TALK: Community supported Entrepreneurism – The Totnes REconomy project



Totnes is the home of the Transition movement and is now on the leading edge of community-led economic change. In this talk, Jay Tompt, coordinator of the Totnes REconomy Project, a part of Transition Town Totnes, will describe their approach to sustainable economic regeneration.

Talk in English with German summaries.

This talk is organized in cooperation with Öko-Asta, the students association of Bonn University.

Time and Venue: 30 October at 8:00 pm, in lecture room 17, main building of Bonn University, entrance via "Am Hof" or Hofgarten.

TALK: From Dismal Science to Language of Beauty – Towards a New Story of Economics



In this presentation by Inez Aponte we explore the power of words to shape what we believe is (im)possible, how the old economic story has outlived its time, and how choosing our words well may be crucial in birthing a new cultural and economic paradigm.

Talk in English with German summaries.

Time and Venue: 31 October at 7:00 pm, DGB-Haus („Großer Saal“), Endericher Str. 127



WORKSHOP: Real World Economics –

Kick-starting the new economy on your doorstep

Calling all activists, community organizers, and social entrepreneurs: It's time to weave together a new social reality in alignment with our values and to create an economic system that benefits us all – a system that breaks through the false dilemma of austerity and consumption.

Based on the **Human Scale Development** framework of economist **Manfred Max-Neef**, one of the forefathers of the current wave of new economic thinking, this workshop offers the chance to come together and dive deeply into the challenges we are facing and gain a new perspective on what is possible.

On this two-day course, we will explore a new approach to **creating local economic change** based on real life needs, increasing wellbeing, and taking effective collective action. It includes **practical tools to engage your community, thought provoking presentations, group discussions and fun interactive exercises** that will equip you to be an effective change-maker in your community.

In this workshop, you'll learn:

- How ideas like 'gift culture' and 're-localisation' fit into a new economic paradigm
- How to incorporate the concept of 'Fundamental Human Needs' into community project design
- How to identify new pathways for meeting local needs and local assets that can be put to use
- A range of practical tools and methodologies for catalyzing local innovation and enterprise
- Mapping techniques to engage community and build networks
- A new language with which to create new narratives for leading change

Workshop leaders Inez Aponte and Jay Tompt are based in Totnes, and deeply involved in a number of economic regeneration projects with Transition Town Totnes and other community groups. For more info, visit: WellandGoodProject.wordpress.com

Workshop in English, no translation to German.

This Workshop is organized in cooperation with the Ermekeil-initiative.

Time and Venue: 1 and 2 November, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm in former Ermekeil-casern, House 6, Ermekeilstraße 27 (Entrance at the gate via security guard)

Fee: 100 Euro

Registration: www.bonn-im-wandel.de or

<http://www.bonn-im-wandel.de/events/real-world-economics-workshop-fuer-eine-neue-wirtschaft-vor-unserer-haustuer/>

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