

Open Debate

Positive Impact Investment: Too Good to Be True?



Thursday 18 November 2010, 4.30-6.15 p.m.

Methodist Church House (Main Hall), 25 Marylebone Road, London NW1 5JR

Underground: Baker Street or Marylebone.

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BP's Gulf of Mexico oil disaster and the financial crisis have highlighted the risks and costs of current models of business and investment. Meanwhile urgent action to address climate change and global poverty remains acutely underfunded.

Can positive impact investment help meet the social and environmental challenges that humanity faces while still generating sound financial returns?

Are innovative approaches to capital allocation the shape of investment to come or more likely to remain a niche sector?

The Ecumenical Council for Corporate Responsibility's 2010 open debate will explore these questions with a panel of expert speakers from the investment and financial services sectors and an audience of faith-based and responsible investors, corporate responsibility practitioners, justice and peace advocates, church members and others.

Chair:

Lord Harries of Pentregarth (former Bishop of Oxford)

Panel speakers:

James Bevan, CCLA Investment Management
'Achieving the shift from talk to walk'

Ryan Brightwell, Co-operative Financial Services
'Investing for impact across banking, insurance, equities and bonds'

Clare Brook, WHEB Asset Management
'Thematic investment – more ethical than ethical'

Adam Ognall, UK Sustainable Investment and Finance (UKSIF)
'Impact investing: a leadership opportunity for faith communities'

Entrance free. Wheelchair access.

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