



Report of meeting held at School of Economic Science, 11 Mandeville Place, London W1U 3AJ
See: **Notes** of 7th December 2016 meeting: [OpenResearchGroup-161207](#)

Present: Janos (chair), Ellena, Mary (notes), Apologies: Pete

As we had a fairly open agenda we decided to talk about the MAP acronym, which identifies three areas of involvement (Mitigation, Alternatives, Politics), as in the website <http://www.themap.org.uk>, and decided it would be a good joint project to develop this website, for the purposes of analysis.

We discussed briefly the difficulties of progressing CCMJ since its AGM on 24th September 2016. Prior to the meeting, John had mooted a series of workshops to following on exploring the ideas of “Christian”, “Council”, “Monetary”, “Justice”, but Peter had circulated an email to CCMJ members and associates giving his own definitions of these terms, which had the effect of closing the topic.

Attended by a small minority of members - we had only circulated the CCMJ list, but wondered if we should also have invited those on the Global Table list - the AGM heard from Simon that Peter Challen did not wish to continue with CCMJ or see anyone else replace him in the role of chair, but endorsed the idea of a follow-on organisation called Co-faith Council of Monetary Justice, which we understood would meet with Peter’s approval.

The first venture with CfCMJ jointly organising, with Global Vision 2000, a day conference exploring Eschatology - the part of theology concerned with death, judgement, and the final destiny of the soul and of humankind - <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!topic/uk-911-truth/QVt3ziwfwbo> - and eagerly awaited a report of this event. But there had been insufficient energy, so far, to progress actually setting up a new organisation of this name.

We wondered if the other suggestions, such as keeping the same name Christian Council, or calling it Co-operative Council for Monetary Justice would have more traction with members, and whether we should send a mailing to both lists consulting them about this - Mary to consult and decide next time.

Simon’s own area of expertise was Heterodox Economics: <http://hetecon.net>. In searching online for organisations with similar aims we also found • <http://www.paecon.net/HistoryPAE.htm> • <http://www.participatoryeconomics.info/introduction/> • <http://evonomics.com/tragedy-of-the-commons-elinor-ostrom/> and • <http://www.c4ej.com> - all of which deserved thorough exploration.

Occupy Economics from the occupation of St Paul’s Cathedral forecourt in the winter of 2011/12 had given rise to the Bank of Ideas - <http://www.freecriticalthinking.org> and the Putney Debates - <http://www.putneydebates.com> - both projects going strong. John Courtneidge’s project <http://www.interestfreemoney.org> which began in 1995 pre-dated Occupy, and currently he was actively promoting Co-operative Socialism: <http://www.co-operativesocialism.org>.

However, Janos’s paper – People’sPPE-Vt.odt showing that People’s Philosophy, Politics and Economics evolve into Co-operative Socialism had received scant attention - Janos offered to send his paper as a PDF - and we resolved to study this at the next meeting.

JA/mf/ – see other information and links on: <http://globaltable.org.uk/wp/archives/5296>