

ecco London

Thanks to everyone who made the effort to hand in a completed membership form last week. We had precisely 20 correctly completed membership forms that ULU accepted as a minimum requirement for their recognition! We are almost there now ...

Content of 3rd newsletter:

1.) ULU recognition process

2.) Meetings

3) Attachment

1) Ecco on its best way to becoming a fully fledged ULU society.

Thanks to the persuasive powers of Janosch, Will and Ralph, Ecco London easily passed the questioning of the first two ULU committees last Tuesday.

The final recognition decision of ULU will be announced on 17 November after a third committee meeting with ecco London representatives on that day.

.>ULU basically liked the idea and the background of ecco London, but advised us to face the succession question right from the beginning. As to make ecco an ongoing idea and society, we have to win undergraduate and PhD members who are willing to continue ecco in the next academic year.

.>They slightly criticised our name "ecco London" for not incorporating the link to ULU and suggested "ecco at the University of London (Union)" - a change we could live with, I think. Alternatively, we could just call ourselves "ecco" - without a local reference.

2) 3 ecco Meetings

.> We will hold a **board meeting at LSE next Thursday, 13 November, at 7.30 pm**. However, we stress that this meeting is also open to every member! - We would like to discuss our next steps

.>proposed Agenda: contents of the website, discussing concrete questions for the three committees, possible dates for events, decision on ecco's recommendation for events in London in the coming months, further details on attendance at conferences (MUN, renewables), ...

.> We will hold a **general meeting at ULU on Thursday, 20 November, at 7.30 pm (room: TBA)**. We hope every member can make it!

.> As Helen already pointed out in her mail, there is a very relevant public lecture coming up on Tuesday, 11th November: **The Economics of Growth and Sustainable Development - Partha Dasgupta** at LSE. (6.30pm in the New Theatre in the East Building). We suggest that all interested ecco members go there together and meet at 6.15 pm in front of the East

Building. We can hold a discussion of the issues raised in the speech right afterwards in a room at LSE or at a LSE pub - Hope to see you there!

3) Attachment

.> Attached you find last week's presentation on ecco. It might help you if you have not been at the last meeting.

.> Below you also find Espen's minutes of the outcome of the meeting.

Have a sustainable good week end,
Max and Janosch

Espen's minutes:

Comittee:

Chair: Max

Vice Chair: Janosch

Secretary: Espen

Communications Officer: Helen

Treasurer: Will

Web editor: Ralph

Questions/issues of intrest:

1. Effects of tavelling by flying
2. Health systems sustainability
3. Foreign debt
4. Fiscal sustainability (welfare state)
5. Exporting externalities (nuclear waste)
6. Use of renewable energies
7. Awareness/knowledge/application of sustainability concept
8. Definitions of Sustainable Development
9. GM Food
10. EU CAP
11. Property rights/patents
12. Stem cell research

Categorised:

Environment - Responsible: Alexander

1. Renewables
2. Transport
3. Exporting externalities

Social - Responsible: Jennifer

1. Social systems
2. Life Sciences
3. GM Food

Economic - Responsible: ?? Who?

1. Debt finance
2. Property rights/patents
3. CAP
4. Socially responsible investment