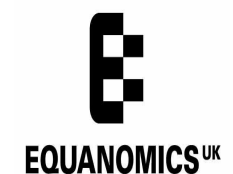


# Equanomics – a way forward for Equality?

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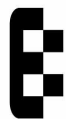
# Economic Tsunami

- Economic bird flu
- Discriminatory lending practices
- Globalisation of profits, trade and capital
- Non globalisation of equality, anti poverty, civil, migrants and workers rights

# Equality through Economic Justice

# Economic Justice the 4<sup>th</sup> movement

- Slavery and colonialism
- Segregation and Apartheid
- Civil and voting rights
- Economic justice





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# Terrorism





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**POCKET SUDOKU MACHINE FOR EVERY READER**

# Daily Mail

**574,000**



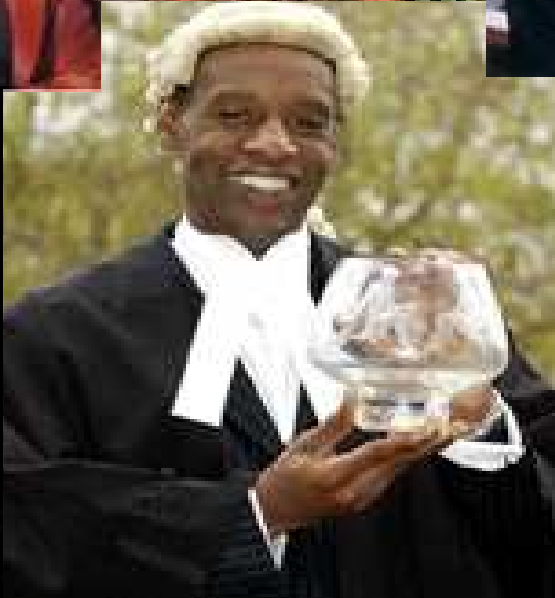
■ Number who came to live here in one year – not including illegal immigrants and the countless thousands we don't even know about

**196,000**



■ Number of British citizens who, in the same year, chose to leave this country to seek a new life for themselves and their families

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# EU poverty

- 16% of the EU population, that is about 78 million people, are at-risk-of poverty
- **Unemployment is a key factor in people being at risk of poverty**
- 40% of people who are unemployed are at risk of poverty compared to 8% of those at work.
- Not all jobs pay enough to actually lift someone out of poverty.

# CRE Legacy Report 2007

- *‘While children from ethnic minority groups make up 12% of the total child population, they are disproportionately more likely to be poor. Rates of child poverty are particularly high among children of **African (56%), Pakistani (60%) and Bangladeshi (72%)** origin, compared with a rate of 25% for white children.*

# REACH report

- The potential economic benefit of removing the underachievement of Black boys and young Black men is about £808 million a year.
- Costs are associated with over-representation in the Criminal Justice System, reduced gross earnings and taxes associated with educational underachievement.
- The costs over the next 50 years without any change, would amount to approximately £24bn.

# CID Agenda

- **C**itizenship
- **C**ohesion
- **I**mmigration and Asylum.
- **I**nternment
- **I**ntegration – *who has segregated who?*
- **I**slamophobia
- **I**D cards
- **D**N.A database
- **D**iversity
- **D**iscourse

# Initiatives

- 50 Global days of action on poverty Global Call to Action against Poverty (GCAP)
- High level meetings in Accra on AID effectiveness
- New York on millennium goals development next week
- World day for decent work,
- World food day
- World week of action against debt
- Climate change lobbying for Poznan summit in Poland

# Active Inclusion

- Active Inclusion is defined by the Commission as
- “A comprehensive policy mix combining three elements  
(i) a link to the labour market through job opportunities or vocational training;
- (ii) income support at a level that is sufficient for people to have a dignified life;
- (iii) better access to services that may help remove some of the hurdles encountered by some individuals and their families in entering mainstream society, thereby supporting their reinsertion into employment”.

# EAPN

- No-one must be left behind
- Must be based on fundamental human rights. This must underline the right of all to a life free of poverty, to social inclusion and active participation as part of a cohesive society, based on solidarity.
- The language and focus of the Active Inclusion principles need to stress specifically the rights to an:
  - - adequate income for a dignified life.
  - - affordable, quality services of general interest, including social services.
  - - a decent job and to participate fully in society

# Active inclusion

Participation of those experiencing poverty and social inclusion in design, implementation and monitoring

Ensure that there is effective and regular monitoring and reporting of Member States' performance.

Focus on prevention and not just on addressing the consequences of poverty and social exclusion.

EU Structural Funds for the Active Inclusion agenda and the access of NGOs to those funds must be enhanced.

# EUMC - 2006

- “In July, 2005 British suicide bombers killed more than 50 people and injured hundreds more in attacks on London’s public transport system. ... the strong stand taken by political and community leaders in both condemning the attacks and defending the rights of Muslims seems to have played a part in reducing attacks in the following months.”

# Change the discourse

- **Challenge 'C' words**

Commission, Cohesion, Citizenship tests)

- **Interrogate 'I' words**

Integration, Islamophobia, institutional, identity, immigration)

- **Depend on our 'R's**

Rights, responsibility, research, respect, records, restorative justice.....)etc

- **Encourage the use of 'E' s**

Equality, economic equity, evidence, empowerment, enforcement and Equanomics

# Please Act

The mark of a good democracy is how well it treats the most vulnerable in society

How it realises the the 4<sup>th</sup> phase of the equality **movement for**

**Economic justice -**

**Equanomics**