

Welcome to the new netFWD members



The [Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation](#) is a Portuguese private institution of public utility whose statutory aims are in the fields of arts, charity, education and science. Created by a clause in Calouste Sarkis Gulbenkian's will, the Foundation's statutes were approved in 1956. The Foundation runs its own Orchestra and Choir, international conferences, colloquia and other events and initiatives, supports programs and projects, engages in an intense publications program, manages and funds development aid projects in Portuguese speaking African countries and East Timor, promotes Portuguese culture internationally. The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation also has a delegation in the United Kingdom (UK Branch) and a Centre in Paris (the Calouste Gulbenkian Cultural Centre).



Headquartered in Canada, the [Lundin Foundation](#) is a philanthropic organisation founded originally by the Lundin family. It is currently supported by a number of publicly traded natural resource companies committed to the highest standards of corporate social responsibility. The Foundation provides risk capital, technical assistance, and strategic grants to innovative, scalable SMEs in the areas of agriculture, financial services, and access to energy, with a view to contributing to sustained improvements in social and economic development. The Foundation works collaboratively with a number of leading private, bilateral, and multilateral organisations both to leverage impacts and ensure alignment with host communities and governments.



The [Olusegun Obasanjo Foundation](#) is a UK-based charity established with the vision of advancing human security for the most disadvantaged in Africa. The OOF has four initiatives: food and nutrition security, youth empowerment and employment, girl child education and a health initiative for non-communicable diseases focusing on hypertension, diabetes, sickle cell and water borne diseases of polio and blindness. Leadership underpins all of the initiatives. The Foundation is built on providing Governance, Leadership and Advocacy and will take on a role that connects, inspires and empowers the community of governments, businesses and charitable organisations in a way that brings long-lasting and sustainable improvements in human security. Being a member of netFWD allows the Olusegun Obasanjo Foundation to network with like-minded organisations and share best practice on how an effective and sustainable impact can be made in advancing the human security agenda in Africa.

netFWD meetings coming up! – 2, 3 & 4 April, OECD Headquarters, Paris



netFWD is getting together in April: it will be the first time that its two working groups, Effective Venture Philanthropy (EVP) and Thematic Innovative Philanthropy (ITP), get together at the OECD Headquarters in Paris to exchange lessons and start working on collective outputs such as a study unfolding the drivers and value added of Venture Philanthropy. Members will get a chance to specifically reflect on where Foundations fit within the “Development Galaxy?” with a keynote speech by Ms. Heather Grady, Vice President at the Rockefeller Foundation, on recent trends in philanthropy. Other pivotal issues such as contrasting traditional development co-operation vs. philanthropy will be discussed, with a high-level discussion on whether we are faced by a “clash of civilisations”. Michael Green, co-author of *Philanthrocapitalism: How giving can save the world* will share his insights, including on the entry points to overcome gaps between philanthropies and more ‘traditional’ providers of development cooperation. For more information contact dev.foundations@oecd.org.

Press review: articles about netFWD



Alliance Magazine, vol. 18 | number 1 | March 2013
“Focus on... Markets are emerging: what about philanthropy?”

Read the article about netFWD entitled “[Connecting foundations with OECD policymakers](#)”, page 12



La Lettre de Youphil, N° 53 | 8 mars 2013
« Tendances de l'innovation sociale »

Read the French article about netFWD entitled « [Un réseau de fondations lancé par l'OCDE](#) », page 3

OECD Events

Lecture on Development in Honour of Angus Maddison – 3 April, OECD Headquarters, Paris



The OECD Development Centre organises the 2nd Annual Development Lecture in Honour of Angus Maddison by François Bourguignon on “Tackling Inequality: at the heart of the post-2015 agenda?” François Bourguignon, former Chief Economist of the World Bank, will discuss “Tackling inequality: at the heart of the post-2015 agenda?”. With his original work on inequality and income distribution based notably on Angus Maddison’s historical series, Professor Bourguignon has greatly contributed to the debate on the nexus between growth, inequality and poverty reduction. He will present evidence and underlying factors on the evolution of inequality over recent years, and provide insights on the implications for the post-2015 agenda, as well as for the definition and sequencing of policy responses. Seating is limited but if you wish to attend, please send a message to

the [netFWD Secretariat](#).

Global Forum on Development (GFD) – 4 & 5 April, OECD Headquarters, Paris



The [2013 OECD Global Forum on Development](#) will bring together leading development thinkers from around the world to explore that question around the theme “Innovative Approaches to Poverty Reduction, Social Cohesion and Progress in the post-2015 world”. netFWD members have been invited to participate in this event, which will also look at the contribution of philanthropy to *Poverty Reduction, Social Cohesion and Progress in the post-2015 world*. netFWD has developed a specific [background paper](#) for this event “Philanthropic Sector’s Contribution to Social Cohesion: New Actors, New Approaches... What Results?” Start contributing to the debate now by joining our [online discussion](#) and [register](#) for the Forum.

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netFWD to co-organise a Special Policy Dialogue: “The role of philanthropic organizations in the post-2015 setting” – 23 April, UN Headquarters, New York



Under the auspices of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, UNDP, UNDESA, netFWD and the Worldwide Initiative for Grantmaker Support (WINGS) co-organise a [Special Policy Dialogue](#) on the role of private philanthropic organizations in international development cooperation. Participants will include practitioners from philanthropic organisations and senior representatives from United Nations member States. They will share insights and contribute to crafting key messages aimed to enhance the development impact of their activities and partnerships at the operational and policy levels. For more information, please contact: philanthropy@undp.org, tel.: +1 212 906 6853. Join the conversation around philanthropy & development: after 2015, use #phil2015 in your tweets; Web cast on www.undp.org/live.

Other Events

Skoll Forum – 10 & 11 April, Oxford



netFWD has been asked to take part in this year's [Skoll World Forum](#) on Social Entrepreneurship, which is the premier international platform for advancing entrepreneurial approaches and solutions to the world's most pressing problems. Co-produced by the Skoll Foundation and the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at the Saïd Business School, the Forum shines a spotlight on best practices, new innovations and connecting leaders to one another to further global social progress. Forum delegates represent nearly 65 countries and participate in a range of interactive events.

ECOSOC Event – 24 April, UN Headquarters, New York



The event "[Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development](#)" is one of the preparatory events for the 2013 ECOSOC Annual Ministerial Review (AMR) on "Science, technology and innovation, and the potential of culture, for promoting sustainable development and achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)". It is organised by the United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Partnerships, the Global Compact, WIPO, ITU, UNESCO, UNIDO

and the Global Partnerships Forum. netFWD will contribute to the having some of the main messages from the UN Special Policy Dialogue on "The role of philanthropic organizations in the post-2015 setting" which will have taken place the day before.

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Un réseau de fondations lancé par l'OCDE

Une quinzaine de fondations composent le réseau netFWD, lancé en toute discrétion en octobre dernier par le Centre de développement de l'OCDE. Son objectif est d'offrir un **espace de réflexion aux fondations travaillant sur le développement**, pour échanger sur les pratiques qui fonctionnent et celles à améliorer, et réfléchir ensemble aux moyens de démultiplier leur impact. Au sein de netFWD, un groupe travaille sur des thématiques liées au développement tandis que le groupe dit "des philanthropes à risques" se consacre à **l'étude des nouvelles tendances philanthropiques**. Les fruits de leurs échanges donneront lieu à la publication d'une étude en fin d'année. *"Au moment où le paysage de l'aide se redessine et où les fondations deviennent des acteurs incontournables, la création de netFWD reflète la volonté de l'OCDE de travailler plus systématiquement avec les fondations sur les grands enjeux du développement et notamment sur l'impact de leurs activités"*, résume Bathylle Missika, directrice du réseau des fondations à l'OCDE. Le 23 avril prochain, netFWD organise avec le PNUD une conférence à New York sur l'évolution du paysage philanthropique après 2015, date fixée pour la réalisation des OMD.

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