

inclusive growth and what it means for your organisation.

'Inclusive Growth' is increasingly being used by government but what does the term mean, and how does it relate to the third sector?

Inclusive Growth was originally coined by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). The OECD define inclusive growth as: 'economic growth that creates opportunity for all segments of the population and distributes the dividends of increased prosperity, both in monetary and non-monetary terms, fairly across society'.

Inclusive Growth is now a key priority for the Scottish Government, which highlights five outcome areas under inclusive growth:

- **Economic Performance:** Economic growth is resilient, sustainable, and inclusive.
- **Fair Work:** Fulfilling, secure and well-paid jobs, where employees' contributions are encouraged and valued.
- **Labour Market Access:** Improved access to labour markets and jobs, inequality of opportunity to access work is addressed, and everyone is able to maximise their potential.
- **People:** Economic benefits and opportunities are spread more widely across Scotland's population, with lower poverty levels, and more equal income and wealth distribution.
- **Place:** More economic opportunities across Scotland's cities, towns, regions and rural areas, ensuring sustainable communities.

How does inclusive Growth relate to the third sector?

"The social economy has been shown to promote inclusive growth by *promoting jobs, strengthening skills and employability, building diversified local economies, and contributing to wider economic and intellectual development.*"

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

- The principles that underpin inclusive growth – equality, inclusiveness, sustainability – are principles at the heart of all social enterprises and third sector organisations.
- Many of the outcomes the third sector wants to achieve match those of the inclusive growth agenda, e.g. greater equality, reduced poverty, inclusion, sustainable development.
- The success of social enterprises shows that you can 'do good' and 'do well' economically.
- Linking organisations to the inclusive growth agenda means speaking the same language as public partners, and may improve funding opportunities and bid outcomes.



Download Inclusive Growth paper



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Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health

At our meeting in October Dr Michael Roy spoke about the work of **Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health at Glasgow Caledonian University**.

The Centre was set up in 2010 by Professor Cam Donaldson and includes health economists, social enterprise academics and PhD and Masters students. They work closely with third sector organisations and social enterprise sector.

The work of the Centre cuts across the three main societal challenges listed in Glasgow Caledonian University's Research Strategy: inclusive societies, healthy lives and sustainable environments. Focusing on health and wellbeing, they aim to transform the lives of vulnerable communities through pioneering research in the following areas: Microfinance, Social Business and Health Economics. The Centre is involved in projects with British Council in Hong Kong and Thailand, on projects about Syrian refugees, and Asian and Latin American social enterprise projects in social innovation and many more. Click link for [Social Business projects](#), click link for [Health Economics projects](#).

The Centre hosts conferences and educational events for academics from across the world, edits the National Social Enterprise journal and organises the International Third Sector Research conference.



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Research updates from our members

[Voluntary Sector Studies Network \(VSSN\)](#)

Voluntary Sector Studies Network (VSSN) day conference - 'Diversity in the spotlight' – 22nd November 2018

Location: The Bond Company, Birmingham

Where are diversity and inequalities in voluntary sector debates and research?

First seminar: Highlighting perspectives on race, culture and migrants both in research and community settings

This seminar will focus on race, culture and migrants both in research and community settings and will be organised in Birmingham city centre in conjunction with members of community groups. Key speakers will be announced nearer the date. For more information click [here](#).

Proposed seminar/ discussion series

This is the first of what we hope will be a series of seminars and/or discussions, in which some absences in the debate around issues concerning difference and diversity can be explored with the aim of challenging the current orthodoxy of research in the voluntary sector field.

Alongside proposals for this first seminar, ***we also welcome proposals to host future seminars or roundtable discussions***, which will facilitate further debate on different aspects of diversity and inequalities, and might for example, focus on gender, on sexual identities, on disabilities, on emotional labour or other related issues. We recognise the intersectional nature of these debates as well as the diverse aspects. Working with participants we hope to draw together some of the threads from all the seminars and discussions in a paper or papers following the seminars.

To discuss the possibility of hosting or co-hosting an event in this proposed series, please contact [Linda Milbourne](#)

SCVO

SCVO has created a number of new resources under the '[I love Charity](#)' banner, a campaign to inspire trust through promoting the positive impact of charities and their work, and supporting good governance to ensure charities are well run, open and transparent.

- About the [I love Charity campaign](#)
- [What is a modern charity? animation](#)
- [Public trust in charities](#)
- [Young Person's Guide to working and volunteering in Scotland's third sector](#)
- [Storytelling Conference, 22nd November](#)

University of Stirling

Professor Alasdair Rutherford is coordinating a pilot of monthly virtual seminars on non-profit data to see if there is an audience for this. These will be on YouTube between October 2018 and January 2019 and will last about 30 minutes for everyone.

Nonprofit Data Virtual Seminar Series

Other seminars in the series include:

Thurs 18th Oct 2018

"The Gender Pay Gap for Nonprofit Executives: Identification and Potential Remediation."

Dr Jesse Lecy & Dr Nathan Grasse

<https://youtu.be/atgC8sEEuIQ>

Thurs 22nd Nov 2018

"Collecting quantitative data among CEOs and directors: A series of (un)fortunate events"

Dr Jurgen Willems

<https://youtu.be/9WYx-QQCsxY>

Thurs 13th Dec 2018

"Identifying fields and service areas using UK charity data"

Dr Chris Damm & Dr Chris Dayson

<https://youtu.be/Cw-Qm3Ar-68>

Thurs 24th Jan 2019

"Understanding change in the charitable sector using administrative data"

Professor John Mohan

<https://youtu.be/vkMzPowcg5c>

The virtual seminars can be viewed live through YouTube. Questions for the presenters can be submitted as YouTube comments. No log-in is required to view the seminar but you will need a Google Account to leave comments. A recording of the seminar will be available on YouTube after the event.

The Nonprofit Data Virtual Seminar Series is coordinated by Professor Alasdair Rutherford at the University of Stirling. For more information, email alasdair.rutherford@stir.ac.uk

Do you have research evidence from, or about, the third sector you'd like to share or present to the Forum? Or if you are interested in joining the Forum please email [Louise Bowen](#)

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Members' news

New member

The Forum welcomes new member **Karen McArdle**. Karen is Professor (Emerita) of Education at the University of Aberdeen, specialising adult learning, community development and youth work research and evaluation.



Congratulations to **Alasdair**

Rutherford, a long term member of the Forum, who is now Professor of Social Statistics at the University of Stirling.

Conferences

International Society for Third-Sector Research (ISTR) Conference Working Papers Series/Voluntas

Following the excellent contributions at the ISTR Amsterdam conference, we are very pleased to provide opportunities for publication through ISTR:

- Submit your papers to ISTR Conference Working Papers Series. Papers are due by October 31, 2018. Please submit to Secretariat@istr.org. All papers will be reviewed by a small committee (this is not a blind review) and posted on the ISTR website by December 15, 2018. The ISTR Working Papers Series can be found [here](#)
- Submit your work for publication in Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations, ISTR's official academic and scholarly journal. Voluntas is a high quality journal with dynamic leadership interested in publishing work that spans the globe on the third sector, civil society, nonprofits, philanthropy, social economy, the voluntary sector and other topics in our field.

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Please note that papers can be submitted to BOTH the Working Papers Series as well as to Voluntas. Guidelines on paper formatting can be found [here](#).

World Community Development Conference 2019 - People, Place and Power

University of Dundee and City of Dundee Council are working in partnership with others to hold the International Association for Community Development (IACD) conference in Dundee on 24 - 26 June 2019. This will aim to involve community development academics and practitioners, with a practice learning strand in the conference programme. More information [here](#).

There is a call for abstracts. More [here](#).

Research Data Management Conference: GDPR, Brexit and Beyond, Tuesday 4th December 2018, London (08:30 - 13:25)

Handling and managing research data has never been easy, but in the wake of GDPR and Brexit the process has become even more complex.

With keynote addresses from the ICO and leading University Researchers, you will explore the importance of legal compliance to recent policy changes, as well as hearing from experts and sharing best practice in the field of RDM.

More information [here](#).

Keep up with the Forum

The Scottish Third Sector Research Forum meets quarterly. You can read the minutes from the meeting which took place on **20 June 2018** [here](#) and **previous meetings** [here](#). And for more news from Scottish Third Sector Research Forum please read the **TSRF newsletters** [here](#).

The next Forum meeting will be on **6 December 2018**.

You can also read more about the Forum's work [here](#) and see **previous evidence papers**.

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