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**From:** Boris Nikolic  
**Sent:** Tue 9/11/2012 4:38:58 PM  
**Subject:** RE: YGLs, Future of Money & Alternative Currencies - greetings & update

Yes!

The reason is that you do not want YGL to own this, to control where and when is a meeting, etc. You do not want them to approve who can come to the meeting.

You want to reach out and use their network but the ownership/decision making etc should be at yours and jee hands.

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**From:** [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 9:08 AM  
**To:** Boris Nikolic; Jeffrey Epstein (jeevacation@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** RE: YGLs, Future of Money & Alternative Currencies - greetings & update

That is a very good point and I suspect Jem will propose doing that.

The YGL group is a good starting point because of their networks but this should be a little more broad.

JEE seemed open to that suggestion.

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**From:** Boris Nikolic [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 8:31 AM  
**To:** Jeffrey Epstein (jeevacation@gmail.com); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: YGLs, Future of Money & Alternative Currencies - greetings & update

I would suggest to not keep this as a YGL meeting only (than it is owned by YGL/WEF) and it might be more complicated.

Keeping it separately would be better – that would give you more flexibility and allow you to invite some interesting people that did work in this areas (Philip Rosedale, bitcoins guys etc) in addition to few YGLs (many are on this group just to be on the group – to appears as a participation – not to do any work).

YGLs would be still a key part but not the only and leading.

Boris

**From:** Jem Bendell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 12:34 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** April Rinne ([REDACTED]); [jeevacation@gmail.com](mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com); Boris Nikolic  
**Subject:** Re: YGLs, Future of Money & Alternative Currencies - greetings & update

Thanks for the introduction [REDACTED]

Hello Jeffrey,

It's great to hear of your interest.

I came to this topic 3 years ago. For context, Im a Professor of Sustainability Leadership, and a Board Member of Community Forge, which is now the world's leading provider of free open source software for community currencies. About 500 currencies use our tools, for instance, Time Banks USA runs on our software. Ive also now become head of research of the Green Money Working Group, which informally brings together some of the top thinkers and innovators on alternative currencies. Info on some of the reasons for this work I describe in my TEDx talk:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X5uGLbV5zVo>

I can help in either of the following ways:

- a) Leading the organising, production and facilitation of an event, either via the University of Cumbria or Community Forge. Both are non profits.
- b) Helping another organisation do the organising and production, and instead specialising in advice on agenda, participants and facilitation.

It would be great to work with April on this, and any other WEF YGLS who may be interested.

I would be delighted to chat in the coming days. Please suggest a date/time. For factoring in time

zones: Im in China until Sept 18th. Then Im in Brisbane until Oct 1st. Then Singapore until Oct 7th.

My phone is +[REDACTED], and skype is "[REDACTED]"

Thanks, Jem

Ps: Boris, I hope to meet here in Tianjin and chat about this and other ideas.

On 11 September 2012 05:46, [REDACTED]  
<[REDACTED]@[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Jem and April...

We have been going back and forth about how to have a small convening with the YGL best and brightest around alternative currencies and the future of money.

I'd like to introduce you to Jeffrey Epstein, whose philanthropic interest overlap in this area. Here is a website with some of his recent grants and projects:  
<http://www.jeffreyepstein.org/home.html>

Jeffrey has offered to provide the resources, in the form of a grant, to a 501c3 or charitable equivalent organization that might host a convening related to this topic.

He has proposed several venues which could host up to 10 or so of the foremost thinkers in this space.

I've copied Jeffrey on this email so you can start a discussion with him and mutually decide if this is something that makes sense to all of you.

Boris is copied as an FYI only.

Let me know if I can be helpful in any way.

Thanks everyone,

