



Fixing our Broken Money System: Achieving Justice, Avoiding Austerity, Reducing Debt and Creating Jobs

- **Reducing our national debt while maintaining necessary government programs**
- **Creating new, good-paying jobs that improve the nation's infrastructure**
- **Providing superior healthcare and education**
- **Fixing our broken money system!**

What: An educational forum on our money system

When: Sunday, May 12th* 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Where: The Great Hall – at the **Cooper Union** Foundation Building 7 E 7th Street, New York, NY, 10003

Suggested donation: \$10 per person now – \$20 at the door (No students will be turned away)

* The AMI will be conducting a parallel session *“The Need for Monetary Reform”* at the Eastern Economic Association Annual Conference, May 9 – 11, also in New York City

The American Monetary Institute proudly announces the event, *Fixing our Broken Money System*, which will bring together specialists to discuss how we can solve the economic crisis, which is the result of corrupt banking practices, based on imaginary economic theories, and an unjust money system designed to concentrate the nation's wealth into less than the richest 1%. Join us at the Cooper Union in New York City for this exciting program that will answer the key monetary questions of our time.

Much of the terminology and proposals circulating in major media (including the Internet) are not based on reality. Examples include endlessly discussed ‘debt ceilings’ and ominous ‘fiscal cliffs’, and liberating ‘trillion-dollar coins.’ What does it all mean? Where is the dialogue on solutions and reforms that could actually work and benefit society, such as the NEED Act (HR 2990) introduced into Congress by Dennis Kucinich?

Getting real answers involves examining some key factors:

- The true nature of money as legal tender
- Big banks' unwarranted money creation power - much to blame for the current economic crisis
- Government's *constitutional power* to create and regulate the money supply to promote the general welfare

We invite you to learn from real experts who have studied and worked on this issue in the spirit of improving our society.

More details on the reverse side

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Expert voices will include

- **Stephen Zarlenga** - Director and Co-Founder of the AMI, author of *The Lost Science of Money* and part author of Kucinich's NEED Act proposal, will speak on what is needed for meaningful monetary reform of our money and banking system.
- **Robert Poteat** - Senior Advisor to the AMI - one of the most knowledgeable experts on America's money system. He will discuss how profit from financing war is a major incentive to make war and a major driver of public debt, showing how our present money and banking system promotes warfare.
- **Jamie Walton** - AMI Researcher and former member of Congressman Kucinich's staff, who contributed to the crafting and advancing of HR 2990, will discuss how HR 2990 works and achieves real money and banking reform.
- **Joe Bongiovanni** - well known and respected internet blogger on monetary questions, will speak on how a bad money system concentrates wealth to obscene levels and a good money system helps distribute wealth fairly.
- **Greg Coleridge** - Director of the NE Ohio American Friends Service Committee, will discuss the Power Factor - how bankers use their money creation power to gain political power, which then maintains their faulty banking system through bailouts.
- **Professor Nic Tideman** - leading American Georgist and Professor of economics at Virginia Tech since 1985, formerly a Senior Staff Economist at the President's Council of Economic Advisers. Prof. Tideman will speak on forms that monetary reform can take.
- **Dr. William Batt** - political scientist, former staff policy analyst for the New York State Legislature, leading Georgist advocate, and earlier Peace Corps volunteer (Thailand, 1962- 64), will discuss how much resources are available from the commons.
- **Kaoru Yamaguchi** - world leader in applying system dynamics methodology to monetary reform will go over his system dynamics model on the American Monetary Act and HR 2990.

Also invited to speak

- **Dennis and Elizabeth Kucinich** - creator and promoter of the NEED Act, former Congressman from Ohio's 10th District.

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Confused by:

- Sequestrations?
- Fiscal Cliffs?
- Raising debt limits?
- Trillion-dollar coins?
- Too big to jail Wall Street operators?
- Too big to fail banks?
- Closing down our Government?

You should be confused!

These notions are all a result of the horrible mess most economists have made of the world's money systems.

These dilemmas result from an unjust money system based on using debt instead of money. This has concentrated the world's wealth into the top one-tenth of 1%.

But far better thinking has been available for centuries, including from **Aristotle, Plato, Bishop Berkeley, Ben Franklin, Peter Cooper, Henry George, Frederick Soddy, Henry Simons and Irving Fisher, and the AMI**, to name just a few.

The American Monetary Institute, founded in 1996 for the independent study of monetary history, theory, and reform, proudly brings together expert and trustworthy speakers (even some economists!) to help you make sense of what is going on.