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The second issue of the newly merged *Resurgence & Ecologist* magazine is entitled *Pricing Nature* and is packed with inspiring and thought-provoking articles by a range of activists and writers including Craig Bennett, Polly Higgins, Tony Juniper and Rupert Read.

In the November/December edition, Satish Kumar, its editor-in-chief, writes: "It is not rocket science to know that you cannot have unlimited economic growth on a finite planet, yet politicians, business leaders and policymakers appear unable to comprehend this simple fact. We may now have to learn from Nature. In Nature, everything moves in cycles: cycles of time, cycles of life and, of course, a cycle of seasons. Things begin, things grow, things decay and then begin again. This simple and obvious reality must now be placed at the centre of our thinking. Rather than a growth economy, we have to think in terms of a cyclical economy.

"Resurgence & Ecologist stands in defence of Nature and in defence of a true economy. We believe that endless industrial growth can only further damage the economy and the integrity of our ecosystems, our biosphere and Nature itself."

The November/December issue of *Resurgence & Ecologist* is filled with articles by some of the country's leading environmental thinkers and writers. These include:

- Craig Bennett, director of policy and campaigns at Friends of the Earth, on campaigning in this era
- Paul Creeney, environmental journalist, on food versus biofuels
- Paul Evans, writer, on the takeover of environmentalism by the neo-liberals.
- Polly Higgins, lawyer and environmental activist – a love letter to the earth.
- David Jackman – director of The Ethics Foundation – on the need for banks and bankers to grow up.
- Tim Jackson – Professor of Sustainable development at the University of Surrey on 'The Cinderella Economy'

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- Tony Juniper, activist and Resurgence Trust Trustee, on the need to recognise economics and economy as two complimentary faces of the same coin.
- Rupert Read, Chair of Green House Think Tank, on the need for the environmental movement to regroup

Quotes from writers within the magazine:

Craig Bennett: “In this decade we need a group of us to focus on campaigning to win the hearts and minds of the public once again. Our campaign needs to deliver the zeitgeist shirts that will be necessary to win big policy changes in the medium term, and transformational change in the longer term. But they mustn’t be required to refer to these in a literal or deterministic sense, or they will fail to engage the audiences we need to win.”

Polly Higgins: “My religion is Nature itself, and my law is natural law. That is why I am driven to bring into being a whole new body of law on this Earth – Earth law. My ideal world is a world without any written law.”

Tim Jackson: “Achieving a green economy may be less to do with ‘sustained growth’ and technological utopianism and more to do with building an economy of care, craft and culture. And in doing so, restoring the value of human labour to its rightful place at the heart of the society.”

Tony Juniper: “Sooner or later economics and ecology will need to be recognised as the two complementary faces of the same coin. The longer we leave it in making that the case, then the more difficult, expensive and complicated it will be to do it. George Osborne is unfortunately wasting a lot of time, and in the process doing a lot of damage. It is time he and other Conservatives realised how disastrously out of touch Treasury policy has become, and changed those policies before too many more UK companies suffer from its ignorance and ineptitude.”

Rupert Read: “We should stop talking about ‘the environmental movement’. We should talk instead about the ecological movement, or perhaps the green movement. The question should be: “Is there an ecological movement?”

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