

## WELCOME

Welcome to our summer newsletter. This month we remember a pioneer of sustainable economics and socially responsible investing: Hazel Henderson, D.Sc. Hon., FRSA, a visionary leader who died (or “went virtual”, as she put it) on May 22<sup>nd</sup> aged 89.

If you’d like to see her in action, you may enjoy watching her keynote address “Ensuring a Just Transition: Sustainable Capitalism, Is It Possible?” She gave this address to Impact Summit Europe 2022, choosing to speak online instead of travelling there in person. Here’s the link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLqVDM5RO\\_0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLqVDM5RO_0).

Dr Henderson was a British American futurist and environmental activist. She wrote prolifically. In her book *The Politics of the Solar Age: Alternatives to Economics* (1981), she forecast the need to transition from fossil fuels to a worldwide green economy. Her pioneering work in the 1970s had prompted the Public Relations Society of America to call her “the most dangerous woman in America” – a description that delighted her.

Born in Bristol, Jean Hazel Mustard moved to the USA as a young adult. In 1964 she was so alarmed by the daily patina of soot on her baby daughter’s skin that she and Carolyn Konheim, another parent in Manhattan, [founded Citizens for Clean Air in New York City.

The New York County Medical Society named her Citizen of the Year in 1967 for her environmental leadership. In 1996 she shared the Global Citizen Award with A. Perez Esquivel of Argentina who had won the Nobel Prize in 1980.

Dr Henderson was passionate about building an inclusive and sustainable future. Her book *Ethical Markets: Growing the Green Economy* (2007) won the Axiom Best Business Book Bronze Award in 2008. She and the Calvert group developed the Ethical Markets Quality of Life Indicators, an alternative to the GDP for measuring true wealth. And right up to the end of her life she led the Transforming Finance initiative.



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## COMPANY PROGRESS

We are sending our shareholders an interim report along with each quarterly newsletter.

## NEXT EDITION

Our autumn newsletter will be sent to investors in October. For news and information before then, please visit the website or contact us directly.

Thank you for your continued interest in Giroma. It’s our pleasure to prepare these quarterly updates.

### QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

“If we can recognise that change and uncertainty are basic principles, we can greet the future and the transformation we are undergoing with the understanding that we do not know enough to be pessimistic.”  
(Hazel Henderson)