

Top Social Innovation Blog Picks

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After reading TIME's top blog picks, the Waggener Edstrom team created our own list of top Social Innovation blogs. The following websites are all great sources for information and opinions on a wide variety of SI topics, ranging from CSR and sustainability to global health and economic development.

We would love to hear your feedback about other good online resources and thinkers we might be missing!

- **3BL:** A social network and information aggregator focused on corporate citizenship and social innovation. <http://3blmedia.com/blog>. Check out the particularly informative "CSR Minute" daily video while you're there: <http://3blmedia.com/theCSRminute>
- **Africa Works:** Former Wall Street Journal writer and author Gregg Zachary covers African affairs with a focus on what works in the sub-Saharan, and what doesn't. <http://www.africaworksgpz.com/>
- **Autoblog Green:** Sebastian Blanco leads a team of reporters covering today's transportation industry revolution. Everything from electric vehicles to biofuels is discussed in a consumer friendly context: <http://green.autoblog.com/>
- **Conversations for a Better World:** This blog aims to educate people around the world about basic health issues ranging from HIV to clean water: <http://www.conversationsforabetterworld.com/>
- **Cool Hunting:** Stylish blog that hits at the heart of modern innovation, looking at the intersection of design, art, technology and culture. <http://www.coolhunting.com/>
- **CSR Reporting:** A specialized online resource giving tips on both internal and external CSR communications, this blog analyzes and comments on CSR reports noting both the good and the bad. <http://csr-reporting.blogspot.com/>
- **The Gates Notes:** One of the world's most impactful leaders of business and philanthropy in the shares his personal notes, observations and learnings. <http://www.thegatesnotes.com/>
- **Global Poverty by Change.org:** A compassionate look at global problems including food, health and conflicts. <http://globalpoverty.change.org/>
- **Greenbiz.com:** Joel Makower leads a team of top-notch writers covering sustainability and green business. <http://www.greenbiz.com/>
- **Grist:** One of the most influential and widely-read environmental blogs, Grist also covers SI related topics. <http://www.grist.org/>
- **The IDE blog:** Rather than focusing on direct aid, Paul Polak's organization develops technologies and products to help eliminate poverty. This blog provides an informative look at the organization's activities and relevant news commentary. <http://blog.ideorg.org/>
- **IDEO News Archive:** While not a traditional blog, IDEO's news archive leverages all the resources of a global design leader, providing an excellent resource for news, events and product updates. <http://www.ideo.com/news/archive/2010/01/#pos2047>
- **Inhabitat:** Innovative blog that covers the intersection of technology and design. <http://www.inhabitat.com/>
- **Philanthrocapitalism:** Matthew Bishop's Values blog looks at the intersection of business and philanthropy. <http://www.philanthrocapitalism.net/2010/06/a-social-competitiveness-index/>
- **Social Innovation Conversations:** The Social Innovation Conversations channel is dedicated to social change, from the pandemic of AIDS, to challenges posed by climate change and global poverty. Social Innovation Conversations is co-produced with the Center for Social Innovation at the Stanford Graduate School of Business. <http://sic.conversationsnetwork.org/>
- **Stanford Social Innovation Review Opinion Blog:** This heavily academic look at social innovation is packed with news updates, interviews and great information. <http://www.ssireview.org/opinion/>
- **Sustainable Life Media Blog:** A green business blog from SLM, producer of the industry leading

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Sustainable Brands conference <http://www.sustainablelifemedia.com/blog>

- **Tactical Philanthropy:** Tactical Philanthropy Advisors CEO Sean Stannard-Stockton shares his views on bringing innovation, effectiveness and joy to philanthropy. <http://www.tacticalphilanthropy.com/>
- **Treehugger.com:** A well run editorial look at the environment and ethical business that dubs itself "A Discovery Company", in three steps, 1. Get Informed, 2. Interact, 3. Take Action. <http://www.treehugger.com/>
- **World Changing:** Alex Steffen and his international team of journalists cover the world's most innovative solutions to problems including refugee aid, renewable energy, transportation, communication, and quality of life. Also boasts some of the most engaging podcasts on the web. <http://www.worldchanging.com/>

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Martin Stewart-Weeks on July 26, 2010

Don't forget

<http://www.socialinnovationexchange.org> and it's Australian node www.asix.org.au

Francisco Gonzalez on September 25, 2010

I would like to share with the community my social innovation blog. <http://www.social-innovation-blog.org>

This Social innovation blog is about inspiring and connecting social entrepreneurs with innovative ideas, information, products and strategies, created by design firms, universities, foundations and other social entrepreneurs and innovators around the world, which are helping 90% of the world to have a better life and escape the poverty trap.

We focus our content on social projects that use design thinking and human-centered approaches to address complex social issues around the globe. We dig deep into the unknown so that fresh relevant inspiration comes to light.

I share my thoughts with people who has a strong desire to make a social change; helping to eliminate poverty housing, homelessness and diseases, and addressing global problems such as poverty alleviation, financial literacy, human rights, education, access to clean water, renewable energy and many other important matters.

Together, we can share ideas about products, programs, and services to create healthy communities and establish the bases for employment generation, self-sustainability & meaningful lives.

Sincerely

Francisco Gonzalez
