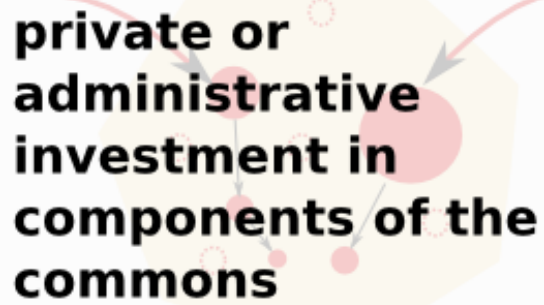


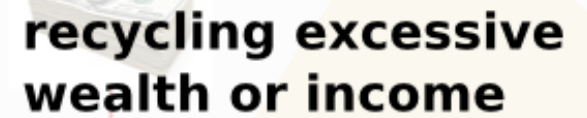
private or administrative investment in components of the commons

A central red circle is surrounded by several smaller red circles of varying sizes. Red arrows point from the central circle to the surrounding ones, and from the surrounding ones back to the center, creating a circular flow. The background is a light yellow octagon.

indirect returns for commoners

A central grey box contains two white human icons. Red arrows point from the box to two gold coins above it. The background is a light yellow octagon.

recycling excessive wealth or income

A stack of banknotes is shown above a single banknote. A red arrow points from the stack to the single note, and another red arrow points from the single note to a light yellow octagon on the right. The background is a light yellow octagon.

convertible specialized currencies

Two human icons are shown, each with a yellow card labeled 'JCL' next to them. Red arrows from both cards point to a single gold coin on the right. The background is a light yellow octagon.

voluntary resource pooling

A central yellow gear icon has two red arrows pointing towards it from two human icons on the left. From the gear, two red arrows point to two banknotes on the right. The background is a light yellow octagon.

statutory resource pooling with community management

A central yellow gear icon has four red arrows pointing towards it from four human icons on the left. From the gear, four red arrows point to four banknotes on the right. The background is a light yellow octagon.

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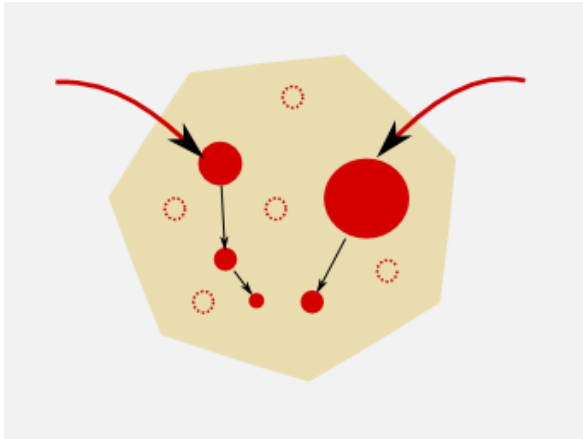
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basic income

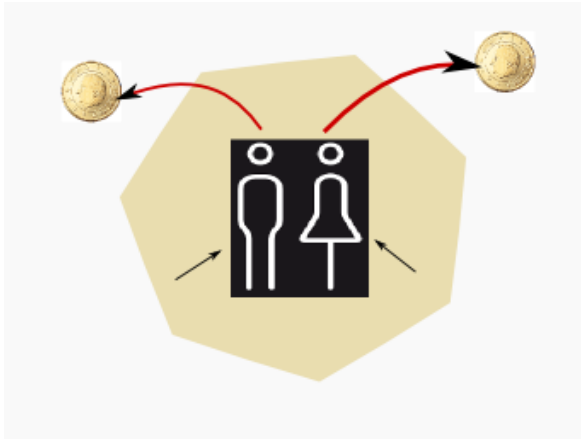
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Private or administrative investment in components of the commons



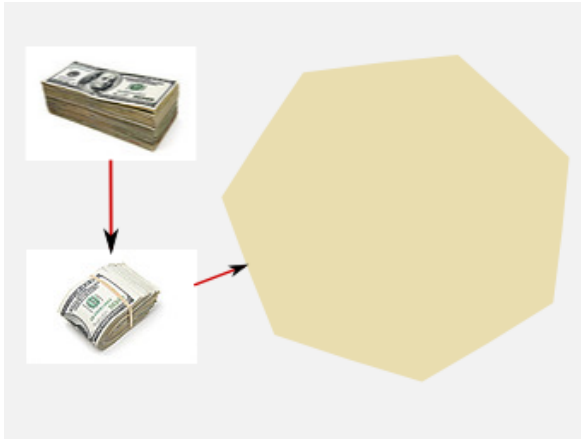
- **Examples**
 - X11, Firefox, Internet infrastructure, administrative software or data
- **Advantages**
 - **Recognition of importance of commons within the economy or government**
 - **Investors do not have to « be good »: the proof is in the contribution to the commons**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Biased priorities for commons development**

Indirect returns for commoners



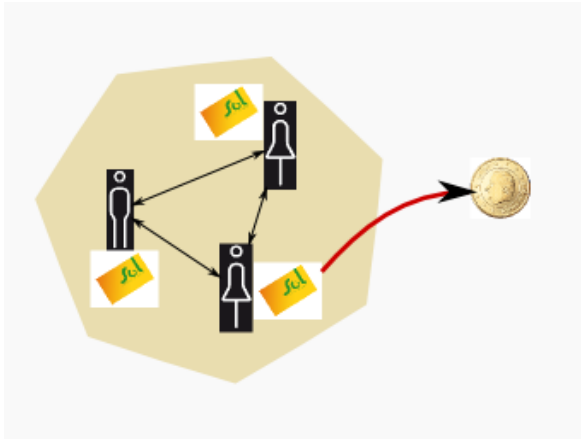
- **Examples**
 - **Free software developers or social commoners internalize skills from their work in the commons, and obtain income by selling them on the market**
- **Advantages**
 - **Demonstrates value of the commons for education and training**
 - **Imports commons culture within non-commons organization**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Why does one have to work for proprietary projects to be able to contribute to the commons**

Recycling excessive wealth or income



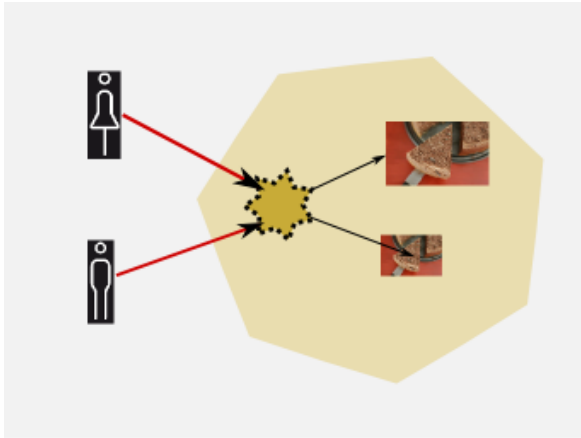
- **Examples**
 - **Maximal authorized income proposal from Patrick Viveret, voluntary contribution from wealthy entrepreneurs**
- **Advantages**
 - **A kind of thermostatic regulation between the monetary economy and the commons**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Compulsory version not easy to put in place**
 - **Possibly biased priorities for commons development**

Alternative currencies or contributions convertible into consumption currency



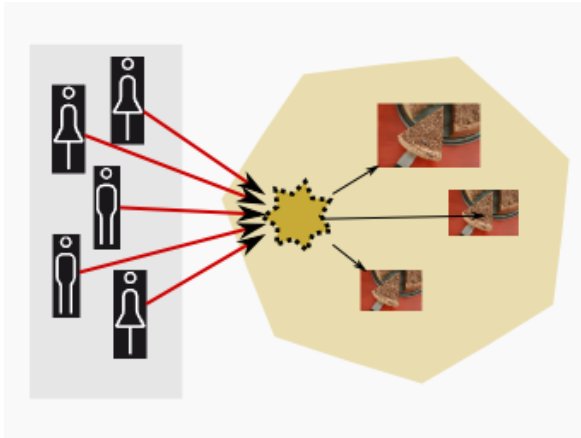
- **Examples**
 - **Alternative currencies convertible to consumption currency up to some level, or, without explicit currency, tax benefits for individuals based on a measure of their contribution**
- **Advantages**
 - **Thermostatic regulation at the other end of the wealth spectrum**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Faces currency fundamentalism**
 - **Uncertain scalability**

Voluntary resource pooling



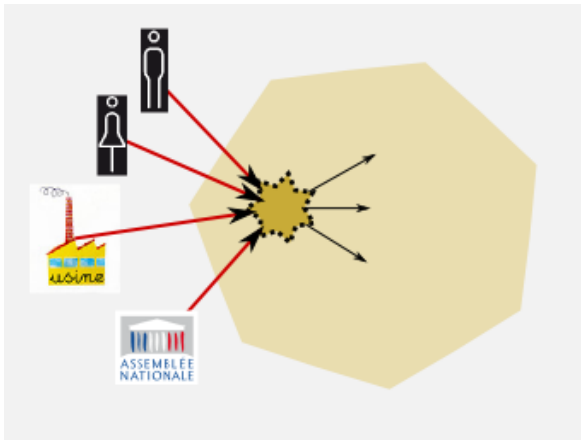
- **Examples**
 - **Kickstarter, Flattr, Tauscoprod, ...**
- **Advantages**
 - **Does not need any permission or law**
 - **Quick pooling of resources for media or tools projects**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Uncertain scalability / governance issues**
 - **Some important commons resources may be « hard to sell » for voluntary contributions**

Statutory resource pooling based on contributors' use or preferences



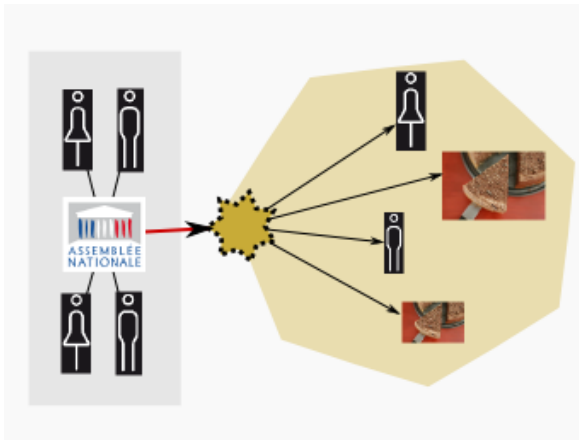
- **Examples**
 - **Kulturflatrate / creative contribution / Compartilhamento legal**
- **Advantages**
 - **Predictability of collected sums**
 - **Scalability**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Needs law and new governance**
 - **Non-intrusive measurement when distributed on very large groups of benefitters**

Public trusts



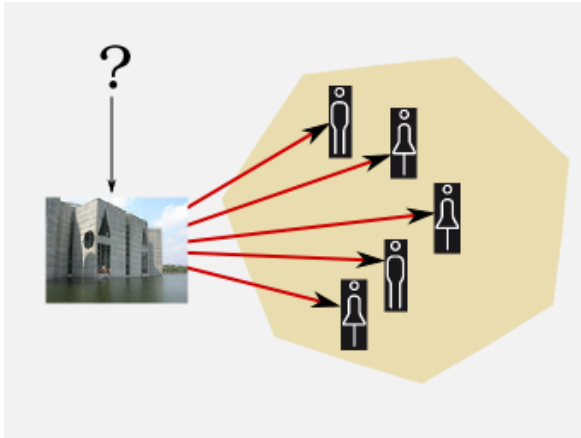
- **Examples**
 - **Conservatoire du littoral (coastal land trust), public trusts for medical R&D on neglected diseases, guarantee funds for fair return on use of biodiversity**
- **Advantages**
 - **Open to contribution by all**
 - **Addresses global commons**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Sufficient financing hard to obtain**
 - **Governance issues**

Tax-based public subsidies or policy



- **Example**
 - **Culture, media, education, digital infrastructure and competence building, urban and spatial development**
- **Advantages**
 - **Accounts today for a significant share of financing of the conditions of existence of the commons**
- **Drawbacks**
 - **Tax evasion, redirection of collected sums by governments**
 - **« subscribers »**

Basic income



- **Examples**

- **Basic income / Revenu minimum d'existence**
- **Freely usable time when reasonable social benefits exist is a form of basic income**

- **Advantages**

- **Permits free allocation of efforts by all**
- **Loosen ties with the monetary economy**

- **Drawbacks**

- **Difficult to put in place in its « pure » form**
- **De facto basic income can be destroyed by the focus on employability**
- **Some important commons might be less « attractive »**
- **Skills required ... but commons will help**

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