

In Memory of Tamara Lothian

We are very saddened that, while this issue was still in preparation, one of its extraordinary contributors — Tammy Lothian — died. As both an academic and a prominent investment banker with a wealth of experience in both New York and the Southern Hemisphere, Tammy brought a unique combination of theoretical sophistication and practical experience to the study of finance and its troubled relations with human progress. A conspicuous feature of all of her work was its never permitting even the most sophisticated theoretical engagement to impede her forthrightly political quest for justice. Tammy traced much of the trouble in contemporary financial arrangements to a tendency on the part of many to assume that there is only one way to envisage, construct, and maintain a market economy. In combatting this tendency, Tammy found legal analysis, in its capacity as a uniquely potent form of imaginative institutional reverse-engineering, to offer profound and still untapped promise as a method of re-envisaging and redesigning financial institutions and markets. In so doing, Tammy both argued and demonstrated, we can likewise reimagine and reconstruct market arrangements themselves with a view to putting them at the service of equitable and sustainable — i.e., true — human flourishing. This aim, which is manifest in all of her work, is on full display in her contribution to this volume, which we dedicate to her memory, her family, and her mission.