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Could Globalization be Good for the World's Poor?

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What can be done to ensure that the world's poor have a chance to benefit proportionately from the economic gains globalization produces? Democratization is a nice idea, but the small elite currently in control of supranational rule-making will hardly allow it. Thomas Pogge argues that the best realistic way forward consists of initially-small structural reforms that benefit sections of the global elite alongside the poor. The Health Impact Fund is a live case study of how such a reform can be identified, specified and – perhaps – implemented. At little or no cost to the world's affluent, it would bring large and enduring relative gains to the poor and would also serve as a model and stimulus for subsequent supranational institutional reforms.

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Thomas Pogge has been Leitner Professor of Philosophy and International Affairs at Yale University since 2008, and Professorial Fellow at the Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics of the Australian National University since 2004. He studied Sociology in Hamburg before writing his

Ph.D in philosophy at Harvard University under the supervision of John Rawls. Since 1983 he held various academic positions at Columbia University. His books “World Poverty and Human Rights” (2002) and “Realizing Rawls” (1989) are among the most influential works in contemporary political philosophy. “Incentives for Global Health”, a prominent political project which Pogge leads, proposes the creation of a Health Impact Fund.

Commentary by **Wolfgang Schmitt**, GOPA Consultants
Wolfgang Schmitt belongs to the founding generation of the German Green Party and served the party in various leading positions. From 1994 – 1998 he was a member of the German Bundestag. During his tenure he focused on world bank affairs, trade and environment, human rights and trade promotion. From 2000 to 2010 Wolfgang Schmitt was co-head of the GTZ (Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Technische Zusammenarbeit). In 2011 Mr. Schmitt joined GOPA, an international cooperation and development consultancy, as Director of Rural Development and Environment.

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