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Julia joins PBE from **Impetus the Private Equity Foundation (Impetus PEF)** where she helped integrate two charities in a growth merger. In 2015 she delivered the largest ever venture philanthropy investment in the UK. Before Impetus PEF, Julia was CEO of the **National Gardens Scheme**, a much loved national charity, and **Surrey Community Action** where she worked on local and regional development and regeneration. She also has extensive Board level experience. She is currently a member of the **Arts and Humanities Funding Council** and a Trustee of the **Surrey Community Foundation**. She also sits on



Dear volunteers, supporters & friends of PBE

I am delighted to have the opportunity of greeting you as the new Chief Executive of Pro Bono Economics. Since I was appointed in February, I have been looking forward to joining this great charity. Two weeks into the role, I am even more convinced about the value and insight we can bring to the work of charities, helping them thrive in a challenging climate.

From my work at Impetus-PEF, which partners with promising charities to help disadvantaged young people, I have seen first hand how expert advice and a commitment to impact can deliver better solutions for young people. I plan to use this experience to guide PBE through the next stage of its journey, engaging more professionals to help charities build hard evidence of how they are making a real difference to our quality of life.

2016 is set to be an exciting year, especially with Lord Gus O'Donnell joining the PBE board in September. We will be reaching out to all our volunteers in the near future with ideas on how to engage and share their insights and experience. Look out for details of this in the months to come.



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