

# A better world

We all wish to see a better tomorrow – perhaps a safer, greener and more inclusive world. But are we doing enough to make that possible? Here's a look at some projects that might set you thinking.



**40 Hypnosis in medicine?**  
It is happening. Research at the Lausanne University Hospital in Switzerland suggests hypnosis can reduce the doses of opiates and sedatives needed by ICU patients and even help wounds heal faster.



**45 Investing in our rainforests**  
We all love cocoa, that vital ingredient in candy bars. Imagine if you could produce cocoa in a sustainable manner, while simultaneously earning a profit. For a small sum, ForestFinance allows investors to do just that.



**46 Borrowing from the past to shape the future**  
Decades of migration from country to city have sparked an ecological crisis. Inspired by traditional Serbian rural architecture, ECONomad's ecological campsites allow people to live closer to nature with minimal impact on the environment.



**41 Cloud-based solution to communication challenges**  
A 250km stretch of river. Three floating hospitals. Zero communication between medical teams – until Satmed.



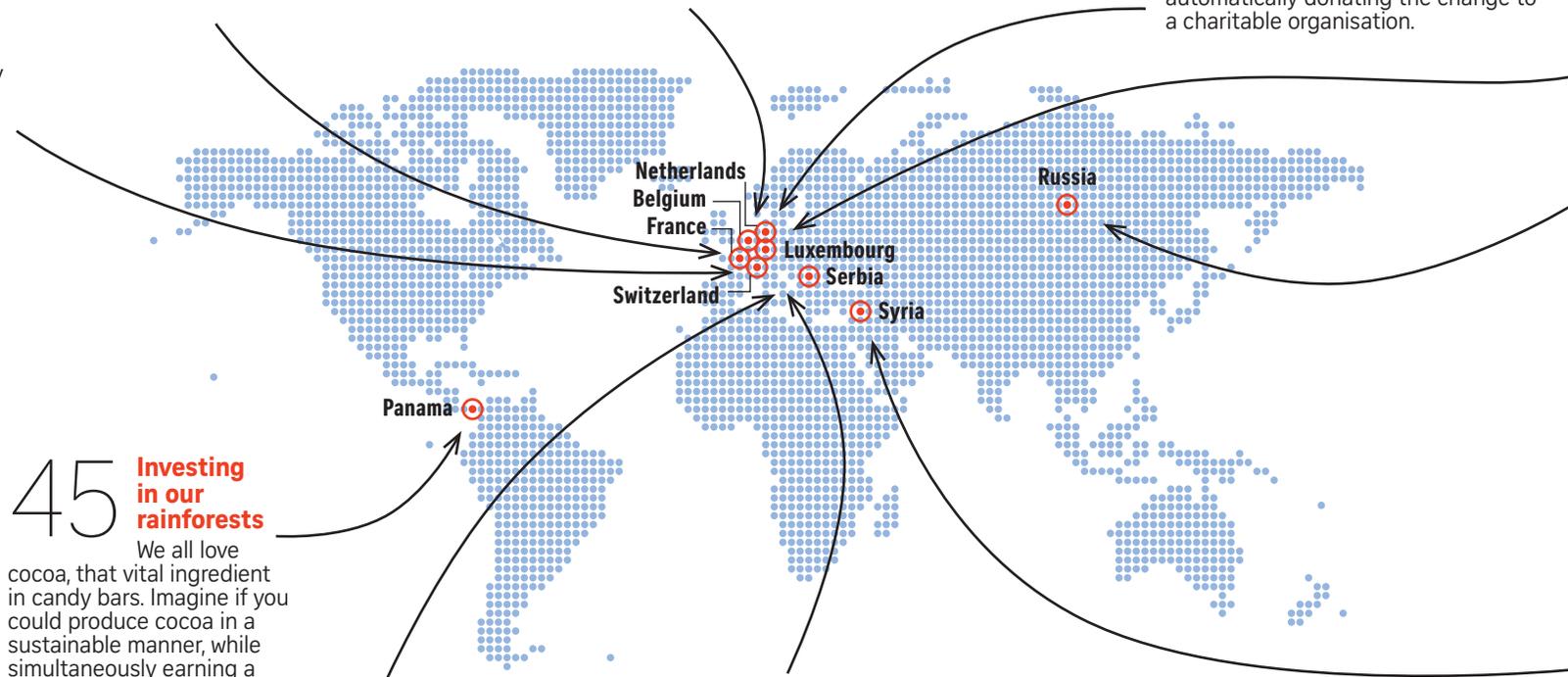
**42 Bankers, beware: FairFin is watching**  
How much do we really know about the workings of our trusted bankers? Are those "responsible" companies really ethical? The initiative Bank Scans is determined to find out.



**43 Small streams make big rivers**  
Sick of all that spare change jingling in your pocket? MicroDON offers a unique solution: Shoppers can opt to "round up" their bills to the nearest dollar, automatically donating the change to a charitable organisation.



**44 Feeding the needy**  
Each day, whole crates of edible fruits and vegetables are discarded due to minor aesthetic irregularities. DREAM helps redistribute these leftovers, fighting poverty in Belgium.



**47 Harnessing the power of the wind**  
We've heard it all before: Transportation produces greenhouse gases which contribute to global warming. But what can we do when over half the world's energy still comes from burning coal? A company in The Netherlands is trying to help – by designing a train that runs entirely on wind power.



**48 Ski Dreams**  
"Rehabilitation" would not typically bring skiing to mind. Ski Dreams' programme, however, has rehabilitated 3,000 disabled patients to date.



**49&50 A better future for refugees**  
A spirit-boosting initiative offers refugees a place to call home.