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EXPANDING THE BORDERS

The Stockholm Network Intellectual Property and Competition Programme recently published its first book – *Intellectual Property Frontiers – Expanding the Borders of Discussion*.

Edited by Anne K. Jensen and Dr Meir Perez Pugatch, and with contributions from 18 distinguished scholars, policymakers and practitioners, the publication addresses some of the central issues and dilemmas currently occupying the IP field.

The publication is divided into four sections:

- The Role of Intellectual Property in the Business Arena
- Intellectual Property Dilemmas
- Global Issues
- The European Perspective

Prof. Federico Etro, University of Milan, examines the role of IPRs in promoting innovations and emphasises the positive relationship linking patents to investments in innovation while **Dr Geoff Gregson**, lecturer in innovation and entrepreneurship at Edinburgh University, investigates the creation and strategic use of IPRs by knowledge-based companies.

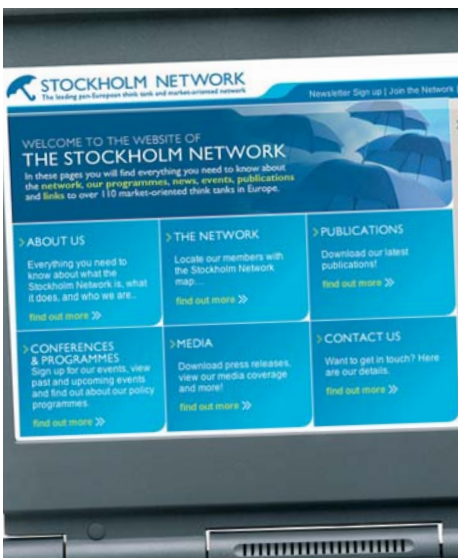


Dr Joseph P. Cook, Vice President of NERA Economic Consulting, then raises the question of how to best exploit intellectual property rights and **Anne K. Jensen** of the Stockholm Network looks at the opportunities and challenges facing small and medium sized enterprises with regards to intellectual property rights.

The final essay in this first chapter, by **Dr Meir Perez Pugatch** of the Stockholm Network and the University of Haifa, investigates different methods of valuating patents and argues that there is a need for a more systematic analysis.

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STOCKHOLM NETWORK WEBSITE RE-LAUNCH



Last year, the Stockholm Network made a number of New Year's resolutions. Our overriding goal is to strengthen the Stockholm Network's position as the leading pan-European think tank and market-oriented network. This means:

- delivering better, more easily accessible content to our members and supporters
- raising our profile, and that of our members, in the UK and European media
- improving our outreach to the general public.

We are working on a number of initiatives that will allow us to achieve these goals, though one in particular stands out - the complete overhaul and redesign of the Stockholm Network website.

The result is a brand new, professional site that not only has cutting-edge design, but contains the tools to allow us to achieve our New Year's resolutions.

The design is user-friendly and will give fast, easy access to all of our content with a few clicks of the mouse. From the homepage, navigators will be able to see the most recent news, register for the latest Stockholm Network events, download our latest publication and view our most recent media coverage. They will also be able to sign up to our weekly e-newsletter, as well as to *Know I.P.*, our monthly Intellectual Property and Competition newsletter.

In line with our intention to increase user friendliness and accessibility, we have introduced the ability to search the site for

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

To mark the New Year, we are pleased to announce the launch of our excellent new website www.stockholm-network.org. The site has been completely redesigned to give it a fresh look and feel as well as to reflect the substantial growth in our membership and activities over the past 2 years.

Visitors will find dedicated sections devoted to their areas of interest – be they members of our think tank network or corporate subscribers. The site is also divided clearly into our three areas of specialism, so visitors can browse articles, publications and event listings from our health and welfare, environment, and intellectual property and competition programmes. Last but not least, users can order publications, subscribe to our e-newsletters and register for events online. We hope you enjoy using the new site and we welcome your feedback on its features.

On our new Intellectual Property section, you will be able to find details of our latest publication *Intellectual Property Frontiers – Expanding the Borders of Discussion*. This collection of essays, edited by Dr Meir P. Pugatch and Anne Jensen, exposes readers to some of the central issues currently taking place in the field of intellectual property protection, providing articles from distinguished scholars, policymakers and practitioners.

Intellectual property is becoming one of the most influential and controversial issues in today's knowledge-based society. At the macro level, IP affects a wide range of issues, such as international trade policy (multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements), the legal manifestation of ownership of breakthrough technologies, foreign direct investments, innovation climates, competition rules and monopolistic behaviour and public health. At the micro level, IPRs are strongly embedded in contemporary business models. IP is becoming



increasingly dominant in the design and execution of basic and applied research, the evaluation of intangible assets, the protection and management of knowledge assets, and the business strategies of knowledge-based industries and companies.

The market for the protection of ideas is becoming ever more competitive and contested. Our new paper challenges some of the myths and exposes the realities of this complex policy debate.

EXPANDING THE BORDERS CONTINUED

In considering 'Intellectual Property Dilemmas', **Trevor Cook** of Bird & Bird looks at some of the challenges facing the contemporary patent system, such as patent duration, costs and patentability in general, while **Dr Uma Suthersanen** of Queen Mary, University of London examines the relationship between copyright protection and technology, and how technology is simultaneously a threat and an opportunity to the copyright owner.

In the section's other two essays, **Dr Grant E. Isaac** of the University of Saskatchewan, queries the presumption that the effectiveness of IPRs, especially patents, is related to the size of the organisation that owns them, and **Alan Cunningham**, Research Fellow at Queen Mary, University of London, writes about IPRs and justificatory dilemmas. 'How does one best, or rather properly, justify the existence of IP rights *per se*?'

'Global Issues' is introduced by **Pedro Velasco Martins** and **Eva Kaluzynska**, of the European Commission who investigate the international increase in trade in counterfeit goods. **Douglas Lippoldt** of the OECD then looks at the links between strong IPR regimes, trade and foreign direct investments in developing countries. 'A general policy implication of the OECD studies for developing economies is that IPR reform should be one part of a broad strategy for promoting economic development' he argues.

In his article *Resurrecting the TRIPS Agreement* **Dr Meir Perez Pugatch** also examines the different periods of determination, resentment and flexibility that characterise the years since the TRIPS Agreement was signed.



In the final section, 'The European Perspective', **Elizabeth M. Coleman** of the European Commission explains the substance of negotiations to establish a Community patent system since the Commission's proposal of 2000. Following on, **Dr Duncan Curley**, a partner at Mc Dermott Will & Emery, looks at IP and anti trust from a European perspective. **James Killick** and **Vincent Artis** later address the issues that arose in relation to interoperability during the debates on the Computer Implemented Inventions (CII) directive in the European Union. 'The CII Directive is now a matter of history' the authors argue. **Manuel Campolini** of Janson Baugniat then writes about the state of

pharmaceutical IPRs in Europe and argues that 'while the EU has strengthened its pharmaceutical IP environment... such improvements are always adopted years after the implementation of their equivalents by the US'.

The final essay examines biotechnology and IPRs in Europe. Authored by **Graham Dutfield**, a Research Fellow at Queen Mary, University of London, it discusses the legal divergence between Europe and the US in this burgeoning industry and its effects on competitiveness.

As the world's economies become ever-more knowledge-driven, the debates surrounding intellectual property regimes are set to intensify. We hope this publication will provide a clear route-map for newcomers to the discussion.

Anne K. Jensen

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STOCKHOLM NETWORK WEBSITE RE-LAUNCH CONTINUED

archived materials. All our content, including all our past newsletters and all our media coverage will be accessible through a simple search operation.

The website now features pages dedicated to each of our programmes, where users will be able to find the latest information on our projects, news, and publications. In addition, we have included pages for our Westminster Fringe events held in partnership with *The Economist*, and for the Amigo Society, which meets once a month in Brussels. Members of the network, of the public and of the media will now be able to browse through past events, view pictures, view and download transcripts and presentations, as well as sign up for forthcoming events.

The website will also feature a media page, where members of the media will find all the information they require – including all the latest press releases and links to executive summaries and press kits for each event we stage and publication we produce. Every piece of media coverage the Stockholm Network receives will be recorded on this section of the website.

One of the highlights of the website is the new interactive map of Europe which will provide links to each of our member think tanks. The design allows a navigator to click on a country whereupon a list of all our member think tanks in that country will appear. This will give exact locations and links to members' websites. Providing a visual representation of the extent of our network, combined with a quick and easy way to access each member, is critical to

our mission of integrating the network and making it more accessible, while demonstrating its unique scope.

And this is just the beginning. In the near future we are planning to incorporate on the website a comprehensive e-library of market oriented books, articles and publications. We are also planning to introduce an area on the website where members will be able to upload their publications and articles for other members to translate, republish and generally promote. In the long term, we hope that the SN website will become a focal point for all those interested in sharing ideas and best practice in market-oriented policymaking across Europe.

Terry O'Dwyer



PROFILE: EUROPEAN INDEPENDENT INSTITUTE (NETHERLANDS)

The EUROPEAN INDEPENDENT INSTITUTE (E.I.I.) was founded by Eline van den Broek in September 2005 after the Edmund Burke Foundation (EBF) decided to discontinue its public policy programme in order to focus on educational work. Former EBF researcher Eline van den Broek set up the E.I.I. in order to develop and extend the expertise she gained at the EBF using her network of public policy contacts. However, E.I.I. will now be led by an independent governing board and will continue its activities over the course of the next few years.

WHAT THEY DO

The European Independent Institute is a free market think tank and the only independently funded public policy institute in the Netherlands. Its mission is to enhance the public policy debate, both in the Netherlands and abroad, and it adheres to the highest standards of independent scholarly inquiry. The Institute realises its mission through several mediums - publications (op-eds, pamphlets and reports), media appearances, debates for and with politicians, policy makers and other experts, and a young professionals network serving as the E.I.I.'s 'ambassador' of free market ideas.

A platform for public policy ideas, the E.I.I. cooperates with academic experts, policy makers, journalists, hands-on practitioners, and opinion leaders in analysing challenges to government reform and formulating more effective alternatives on the basis of academic research.

The Institute's programme is pursued without any party political or social bias. Since its official opening, many people have expressed their support for E.I.I.'s free market perspective, its activities, and its ambitions. E.I.I. has a governing board, a board of advisors and supporters from both the Netherlands and abroad.

WHAT THEY HAVE DONE

Several newspapers and websites covered the opening of the E.I.I. Thanks to an already existing network in the media and in the political arena,

the E.I.I. has been successful in contributing to the political and public debate since its inception in September. E.I.I. founder Eline van den Broek has published several opinion pieces and articles such as a contribution to the magazine of the prime minister's political party CDA (Christian Democratic Party) and a well-received op-ed on the new Health Reform Act in one of the leading national newspapers *Volkscrant*. The E.I.I. has also been challenged to debate leading politicians and policy makers over this (and other) issue(s).



WHAT THEY BELIEVE

Even though the Netherlands is a wealthy country with a rich history of entrepreneurial activity, a free market think tank faces considerable challenges in influencing public opinion and the policy making process. Over the last few decades the Dutch have become accustomed to the comforts of the welfare state, and while many citizens agree that there is an urgent need for structural reform in light of Europe's evolving demography, almost nobody seems to realize that personal freedom and prosperity require both government reform and citizens taking responsibility for themselves.

That said, the E.I.I. strongly believes that by investing in ideas, by setting up a strong and influential young professionals programme, and

by making regular contributions to the political debate and in the media, it will be increasingly successful in achieving its aims. E.I.I. is inspired by the Independent Institute in Oakland, California, which has proved to be one of the most flourishing and influential research institutes, making professional contributions in economics, government regulation, and many other areas.

FORTHCOMING PLANS AND PUBLICATIONS

As E.I.I. wants to stimulate decision-makers to both decrease state involvement in certain policy areas and increase state involvement in others, E.I.I. has defined the following programme for 2006:

- **Healthcare:** in the field of healthcare, the E.I.I. will produce publications focusing on the European trend to cost containment policies and how these thwart innovation and quality in healthcare in Europe. The Netherlands may serve as an example. Key issues will be the introduction of health savings accounts and dismantling of reference pricing systems for pharmaceuticals.
- **The Sustainability of the Welfare State:** in the context of social security reform, the E.I.I. will work on a report on globalisation and steps for effective reform.
- **Taxation:** in the context of the political debate about the introduction of a flat tax in the Netherlands, the E.I.I. will publish an econometric analysis of the relation between marginal tax rates (in 15 different countries worldwide) and important macro-economic indicators.

E.I.I. is hoping to commission a study on transatlantic relations.

Finally, as mentioned, the E.I.I. is building up a network of young professionals, both in the Netherlands and expatriates abroad, to promote free market ideas in their professional positions (both in the public and private sectors). This network will make it possible to spread ideas more effectively and will also open up and facilitate opportunities to ally with colleagues abroad.



PROFILE: FREEDOM INSTITUTE



Freedom Institute

www.thefi.org

IRELAND'S FREEDOM INSTITUTE (FI) is the largest free-market policy group in the country. Ireland's recent economic successes can be directly attributed to a reduction in the size and role of the state and an open posture towards the world economy.

Yet surprisingly, Irish policymakers and opinion leaders remain ambivalent towards free market principles and have even reversed some reforms in recent years. Failure has not ended support for collectivist economics in Ireland, or in the rest of Europe. A continued effort is required to highlight the connections between limited government, free markets, prosperity, and basic freedoms.

Accordingly, the Freedom Institute was founded in 2003 to promote wider understanding of Ireland's recent economy history, the principles of free and open societies, and the importance of transatlantic cooperation in foreign policy and free trade.

WHAT THEY BELIEVE

The founding members of the Freedom Institute laid down four guiding principles for the Institute's work and for public policy reform

in Ireland. First, that free enterprise is the most just and efficacious route to prosperity. Second, that individual rights are paramount and the promotion of individual responsibility best combats social problems. Third, that government must be strictly delimited in its scope and powers in order to safeguard the liberty of citizens and avoid the subordination of the public interest to powerful special interests. And lastly, that defending freedom at home and in Europe requires an activist foreign policy to promote freedom and democracy worldwide.

FI members operate on the belief that enduring reform is possible only when both policy elites and the electorate at large endorse these principles. For this reason, the FI works with opinion leaders as well as office holders to extend the reach of the free market message in Ireland.

WHAT THEY HAVE DONE

Though a comparatively new organisation, the FI has been active in a number of areas. A key concern has been to promote voices in the public debate in Ireland who support the principles of the organisation and considerable resources have been devoted to a support network for writers and broadcasters who communicate the fundamentals of a free society through their work in the media. A number of Freedom Institute members have become regular writers for national publications and feature in the broadcast media as a result of this effort.

Academia in Ireland is largely hostile to limiting government so the Freedom Institute has taken the debate directly to faculty and students, speaking in various events at universities around the country. A number of academics have recently signed on with the FI, leading to the planned creation of an academic advisory board in early 2006, a move that will deepen the links between free market academics and the policy debates at governmental level and in the public square at large.

In 2005, the FI commissioned a large-scale public opinion research project on healthcare and public information. The findings were carried in the Irish and international media and demonstrated strong support for increased public access to information about medicines

and healthcare information and will form the basis for further policy research concerning reform of healthcare regulation in Ireland and at the European level.

2005 also saw the expansion of the FI policy weblog. This daily online briefing has become one of Ireland's most popular weblogs and is a key part of the Institute's program to engage with the public debate regarding the issues of the day. The weblog allows the FI to link the findings of its substantive policy research with the issues raised in the public debate as they feature in the news cycle.

WHAT THEY PLAN FOR 2006

An increase in resources and membership allowed a restructuring which will be completed in early 2006. Along with the addition of an academic advisory board, the FI is seeking to expand its work with groups in Washington and Europe, to assist those interested in learning from the Irish experience, and to bring the best policy ideas worldwide to bear on Irish reform debates.

A new project structure has been adopted allowing the Freedom Institute to concentrate in greater depth on a number of policy areas. The first three research projects are a project on the future of the Irish economy, a study of Ireland international relations, and a research project into reform of the international system, concentrating in part on the promotion of global free trade. Other projects earmarked for the coming year centre on salient issues in Irish public policy including education reform and reform of socialised healthcare.

NETWORK MEMBER PROFILES


Adam Smith Institute

Country: United Kingdom

www.adamsmith.org

 The Adam Smith Institute will shortly publish two more reports in its 'Roadmap to Reform' series, on education and on the EU. It is also publishing a report on e-government, citing the thoroughgoing reforms in Estonia as a model.


 The ASI Power Lunch programme continues with talks by the UK postal regulator Sarah Chambers, head of the Audit Commission Steve Bundred, Richard Foster of the Crown Prosecution Service, and Deputy Bank of England Governor Rachel Lomax.

 The ASI blog www.adamsmith.org/blog continues to publish 2-3 short articles per day on current issues, and has built up a large international audience. The Institute also publishes an e-newsletter every two weeks.

Center for Liberal-Democratic Studies

Country: Serbia


www.clds.org.yu


 The John Templeton Foundation recently awarded a grant to the CLDS for the production of a monograph entitled *Corruption: An Economic Analysis*. The aims of the project are: (1) To demonstrate that combating corruption is an essential component of the establishment of a free market environment and free enterprise system in all countries; (2) To provide a clear and understandable economic analysis of corruption for decision-makers, stake holders and the public; (3) To provide support to those in civil society who are engaged in combating corruption and introducing a free enterprise system into transitional and developing countries.


Centre for Economic Development

Country: Bulgaria

www.ced.bg

 In 2006 CED will continue its work on the 18-month project, *Involving Small and Medium Business for Active Counteraction to Corruption*. The project's goal is to involve representatives of SMEs, in partnership with non-governmental organisations, industrial associations, governmental and municipal authorities for joint actions, in curbing corruption practices, and creating intolerance to corruption at municipal and governmental levels.


 The CED will also continue to organise regular meetings for foreign economic counselors in Sofia as part of the three-year old Club of Diplomats-economists (CoDe). The meetings bring together governmental ministers and foreign diplomats to discuss governmental policies in major areas of transport, environment, agriculture, energy, etc.

 In 2006 (as in 2005), CED experts will be among the authors of the *Report for the President*, which will be dedicated to the convergence of the Bulgarian economy to the broader EU economies. CED experts will work on Chapter 2, which is focused on the EU, concentrating largely on private sector competitiveness. The Report will identify key economic challenges and tasks in the context of Bulgaria's EU integration.

Conservative Institute of M.R. Stefanik

Country: Slovakia

www.institute.sk

 The Conservative Institute is developing a study on social reform in Slovakia in help solve the problems of poverty, a growing 'culture of dependence' and long-term unemployment. A draft copy of the paper will be put out for


public consultation in order to influence opinion-making groups, politicians and decision-makers during Slovakia's parliamentary elections. The paper will be published in February 2006 (both in Slovak and English) and a conference, with the participation of foreign experts, will be held in March.




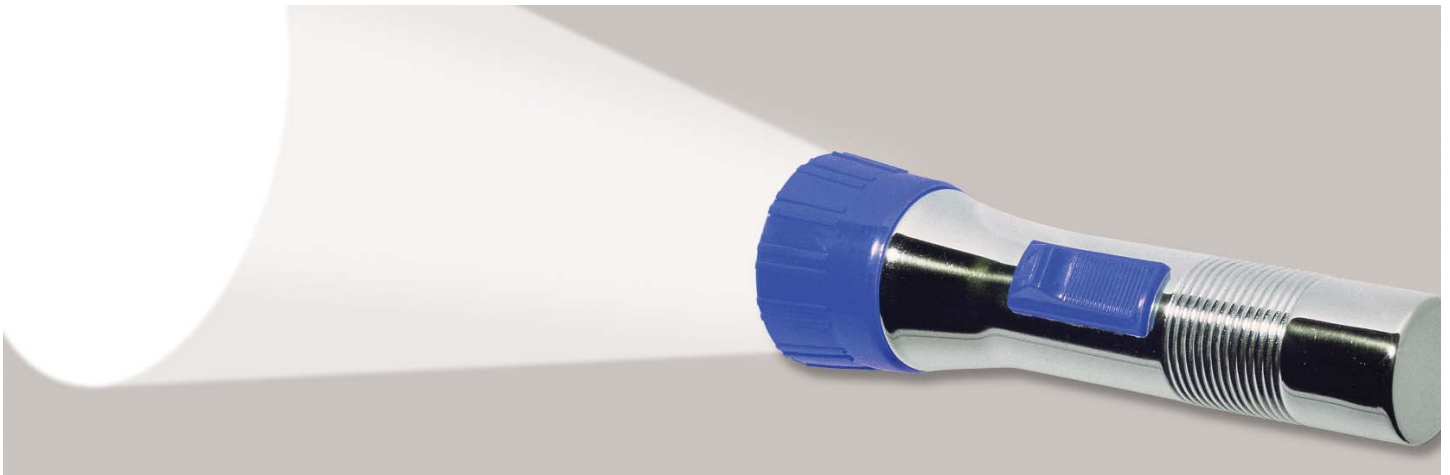
EKOME (Society for Social and Economic Studies)

Country: Greece

www.ekome.gr

 During 2006, EKOME intends to focus on issues related to EU enlargement and governance, by examining the relationship between the evolutionary transformation of the EU's political structures, the advanced economic, monetary and budgetary reforms that EU institutions promote, and the resulting social tensions at the level of individual member states through the limitations they impose on welfare systems.

 Domestically, EKOME will continue to promote the liberalisation of the economy, advocating the need to reform welfare state provisions, while studying the resulting social resistance and its repercussions on the political decision-making process.



The Globalisation Institute

Country: United Kingdom


www.globalizationinstitute.org

 The Globalisation Institute, an international development think tank with a heavy emphasis on enterprise-based solutions to poverty, is working on a major project looking at how to get the best results from the UK's Department for International Development. The project is being run by Keith Boyfield (the GI's projects director), and Jonathan Clayton (the Chief African Correspondent for *The Times* of London), and with support from Dr Nadia Solovieva (University College, London).

Institute of Economic Affairs

Country: United Kingdom

www.iea.org.uk

 On February 6th, the IEA will be hosting its 43rd 'State of the Economy' conference, *Overcoming Key Challenges to Sustainable Economic Growth*, at the Bloomberg Auditorium, 39-45 Finsbury Square.

 The IEA will also be launching two new publications in February. *The Hong Kong Economy: Recovery and Restructuring* by Dr Kui-Wai Li of the City University of Hong Kong on February 1st, and *The Ethics of the Market* by John Meadowcroft, the IEA's Deputy Editorial Director on February 9th.

Liberální institut

Country: Czech Republic

www.libinst.cz

 The Liberální institut is starting the year with an I.P. summit – the *2nd Annual Digital Europe* - co-hosted with the Progress and Freedom Foundation (PFF) and CERGE-EI. Speakers include U.S. Ambassador David Gross, Czech Minister of Information Dana Berova, IP Expert Jiri Matolin,

Martin Campbell-Kelley of the University of Warwick, PFF President Ray Gifford and PFF Vice President for Research Tom Lenard.


 The Liberální institut will also continue with its series of regular policy forums on 'current public policy issues in the Czech Republic and the EU'. It will also be publishing the 7th volume of *Terra Libera* – a monthly journal on the tradition of *Laissez Faire* thought.

Jerusalem Institute for Market Studies

Country: Israel

www.jims-israel.org


 During the academic year 2005-2006, the Jerusalem Institute for Market Studies will be running the first-ever Israeli student workshop in Austrian Economics entitled 'There is another economics', this seminar is the first real opportunity for Israeli students to learn about the cornerstones of classical liberal economics and libertarian thought through the study of academic articles by Hayek, von Mises, Buchanan, Rothbard and others.

 For the third consecutive year JIMS will calculate Tax Freedom Day for Israel. This year, the institute will organise a public celebration around TFD that is expected to fall at the end of July.


Stiftung Marktwirtschaft

Country: Germany

www.stiftung-marktwirtschaft.de

 In January, the independent tax reform commission of the Stiftung Marktwirtschaft will present its results to the public. 70 experts from academia, administration, law, consulting, and politics have worked together since 2004 to develop a comprehensive system of legislation for income taxes, corporate taxes, and municipal finance, especially trade tax, that is internationally competitive, fair, transparent and less


complicated than the present system. There is a good chance that the concepts will influence political decision-making.

 In addition, Stiftung Marktwirtschaft will be examining the German social system. In a conference in March we will suggest converting nursing care insurance towards a capital-funded system. A second conference will deal with the German unemployment problem; a third with more flexibility for the labour market.

Thomas More Institute

Country: Brussels


www.institut-thomas-more.org

 The Thomas More Institute will be hosting a breakfast meeting on Friday, February 3rd about alphabetism and the crisis in the French suburbs. Alain Bentollia, Professor, a specialist in illiteracy and Jean-François Mattei, Professor of philosophy at the Institut Universitaire de France and at Nice-Sophia-Antipolis University, Trustee of the French Committee of the Thomas More Institute will lead the discussion.

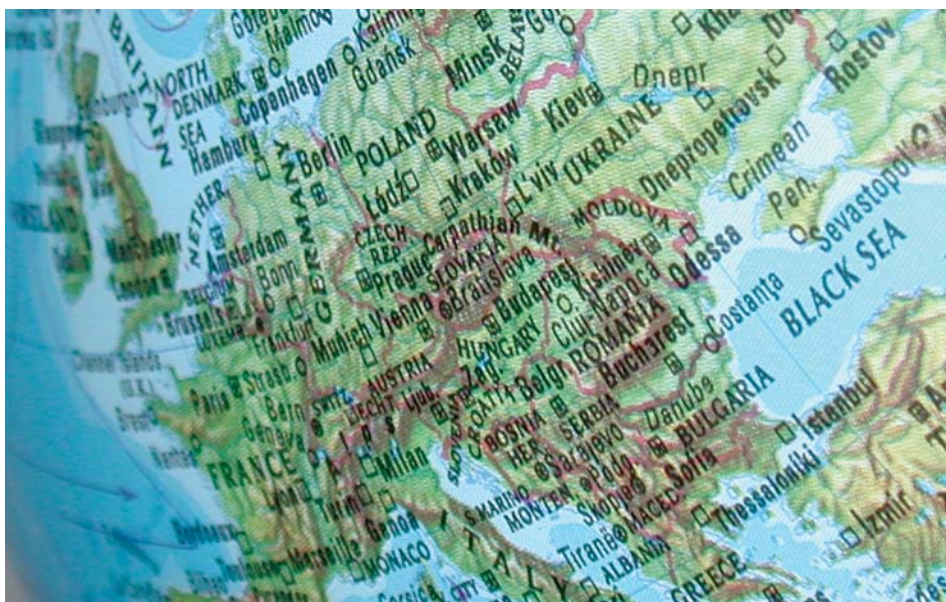
The Taxpayers' Alliance

Country: United Kingdom

www.taxpayersalliance.com

 The TaxPayers' Alliance, Britain's independent grassroots campaign for lower taxes, published their third Bumper Book of Government Waste on New Year's Day. Similar to the annual 'Pig Book' published by Citizens Against Government Waste in the United States, this publication is fast becoming an annual fixture in the UK's political diary. In 2004 the TPA found £50 billion of waste. Last year they found £80 billion – just under the figure estimated by the European Central Bank.

ABOUT THE NETWORK



WHAT IS THE STOCKHOLM NETWORK?

The Stockholm Network is a one-stop shop for organisations seeking to work with Europe's brightest policymakers and thinkers. Our unique network of over 130 market-oriented think tanks in Europe and further afield, gives us the capacity to deliver local messages and locally-tailored global messages across the EU and beyond. Joining the Stockholm Network gives you unparalleled access to the best European policy thinking, the opportunity to lead debates and change the climate of ideas in Europe and the chance to meet the key players in shaping the policy debates of tomorrow.

WHAT POLICY ISSUES DO WE DISCUSS?

The Network is interested in ideas which stimulate economic growth and help people to help themselves. We promote policies which create the social and economic conditions for a free society. These include:

- Reforming European welfare states and creating a more flexible labour market
- Creating competition and choice in healthcare, through reform of European health systems and markets
- Creating a market in which world-class education can flourish
- Taking a practical, market-oriented look at environmental affairs
- Emphasising the benefits of globalisation and creating an understanding of free market ideas and institutions

WHAT DO WE DO?

The Stockholm Network maintains a website (www.stockholm-network.org) which contains a comprehensive directory of European free market think tanks and thinkers. We advertise forthcoming events (our own and those of partner organisations) and facilitate publication exchange and translation between think tanks. We also post regular news flashes and updates on European think tank activities.

Our events provide an excellent opportunity for networking with high-profile European policy makers and opinion formers.

Previous attendees have included: Charlotte Cederschiold, Vice President of the European Parliament; Clive Crook, Deputy Director, *The Economist*; Vince Cable MP, Liberal Democrat Shadow Chancellor; Frits Bolkestein, EU Commissioner for the Internal Market; Conor Cruise O'Brien, author and historian; Hans Hoogervorst, then Dutch Social Security Minister; now Health Minister; Jason Turner, architect of Wisconsin and New York's welfare to work schemes; Philippe Legrain, author of *Open World: The Truth about Globalisation*; Johan Norberg, author of *In Defence of Global Capitalism*.

Our events and books have received media coverage across Europe, including BBC TV and BBC Radio 4, the *Financial Times*, the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, *La Repubblica*, *Le Point*, *The Economist*, *The Times*, *The Business*, the *Wall Street Journal Europe*, *The Sun*, the *Daily Express*, the *News of the World*, *Public Finance* magazine, *The Sprout*, *The New Statesman* magazine, *Dagens Nyheter* of Sweden, *Pravo* of the Czech Republic and *Hospodárské Noviny* of the Czech Republic. Topics have ranged from labour market flexibility and tax harmonisation to health system reform, welfare to work and immigration.

HOW COULD YOU OR YOUR ORGANISATION BENEFIT FROM SN MEMBERSHIP?

- Expand your database by meeting new contacts from across Europe
- Expose your own expert voices to a wider audience
- Receive weekly Stockholm Network email updates and quarterly newsletters
- Receive Stockholm Network Books & Publications
- Get invitations to Stockholm Network Events & Activities

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MEET THE TEAM



HELEN DISNEY is Director of the Stockholm Network. Her background is in public policy and the media. She also undertakes consultancy work on public policy issues for corporate clients.

Formerly an editorial writer for *The Times* and an editorial writer and commentator for the *Daily Express*, Helen continues to write regularly on a range of public policy topics for such publications as the *Daily Express* and *Sunday Express*, *Public Finance*, *Public Service Magazine*, and *The Sprout*, a satirical Brussels-based magazine, as well as regular weekly entries for the Centre for the New Europe's health weblog, CNE Health.

Helen has been the Director of the Stockholm Network since 1997, and is a founding member of the organisation.



DR TIM EVANS is the Stockholm Network's Director of Development. He works across the spectrum of policy issues to ensure that the Stockholm Network continues to promote its work and develop support across a range of constituencies and interests.

A former President and Director General of the Centre for the New Europe (2002-2005), between 1993 and early 2002 Dr Evans was the Executive Director of Public Affairs at the Independent Healthcare Association in London where he oversaw the political affairs and public relations of one of the UK's independent health and social care sector. He also served as chief economic and political advisor to the Slovak Prime Minister, Dr. Jan Carnogursky, between 1991-92.

Dr Evans has retained his association with the Centre for the New Europe, a prominent Stockholm Network member think tank, in the role of Senior Fellow. He is also the author of numerous books, monographs and articles, and has been published by the Adam Smith Institute, Centre for the New Europe, Fabian Society, Institute of Economic Affairs, Fraser Institute, Libertarian Alliance, Heritage Foundation, and the Independent Healthcare Association.



ANNE KRISTINE JENSEN is the Stockholm Network's Project Manager for Trade, I.P. and Competition. She joined the Network in October 2004 following a period as an intern.

She is responsible for organising events and frequently contributes to and edits Stockholm Network publications.

Anne recently completed her studies at the London School of Economics, where she obtained a Masters Degree in Political Economy with a focus on International Trade. Previously, she had studied for her undergraduate degree at the Universities of Oslo (Norway) and Gothenburg (Sweden). Anne has also worked in the political department of the Norwegian embassy in Berlin and for the Norwegian Liberal-Conservative party.



SACHA KUMARIA is the Stockholm Network's Director of Programmes. He is responsible for liaising with the member think-tanks, and co-ordinating research

projects and events. He also compiles the weekly e-newsletter.

Sacha joined the Stockholm Network following a successful research internship at Civitas, a civil society think-tank and Stockholm Network member in London. He previously worked part-time as a student caller during his postgraduate studies, raising money for the University of Warwick Alumni Fund. After growing up in Hong Kong, Sacha returned to the UK to continue his studies, and holds a Degree in English and American Literature and a Masters in Ancient History from the University of Warwick.



DAN LEWIS is the Stockholm Network's Director of Environmental Affairs. As a pro-growth environmentalist, he has contributed articles and letters to numerous publications including *The Times*, *The Guardian*, *The Daily Telegraph* and *Refocus and Sustain Magazine*.

His pamphlet for the Economic Research Council, *Recharging The Nation*, an economics-based assessment of existing, renewable technologies and their prospects for expansion, put the case for Green Energy in the UK at the right price if combined with market-driven policies. He has since advised policymakers and institutional investors about renewables and the environment. Following his latest publication, "*The Essential Guide to British Quangos 2005*", he has become the media's first choice of expert for this poorly understood – yet burgeoning – area of UK Government.



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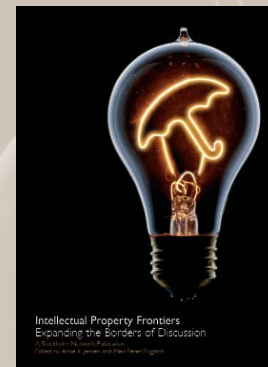
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