

Washington University School of Law
Center for Law, Innovation & Economic Growth

Conference on the Economics & Law of Innovation
April 2-3, 2009
Anheuser-Busch Hall, Bryan Cave Moot Courtroom (room 310)

Conference Schedule:

Thursday, April 2, 2009:

- > 8:45-9:00 AM - Registration
- > 9:00-9:10 AM - Welcome and Introduction: **Gerrit De Geest** and **Charles McManis**

Session I: Statement of Authors, Commentary and Q&A on Boldrin & Levine, *AGAINST INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY* (Cambridge University Press 2008)
Moderator: **Charles McManis**

- > 9:10-9:30 AM - Opening Statement of Authors: **Michele Boldrin** and **David Levine**
- > 9:30-9:50 AM - Overview of Law & Economics of Intellectual Property and
Commentary: **Thomas Ulen**
- > 9:50-10:10 AM - Commentary: **John Turner**
- > 10:10-10:30 AM - Q&A

10:30-10:45 AM Coffee Break

Session II: Paper Presentation; Commentary and Q&A on Boldrin & Levine (continued)
Moderator: **Charles McManis**

- > 10:45-11:15 AM - Paper Presentation/Commentary: **Gerrit De Geest**, “Differences Between Property and Intellectual Property”
- > 11:15-11:35 AM – Commentary: **Scott Baker**
- > 11:35-11:45 AM – Q&A

Luncheon and Keynote Presentation:

- > 11:50-12:20 – Informal Luncheon: Faculty Seminar Room (320)
- > 12:20-1:00 PM - Keynote Presentation: **Mark Lemley**, Bryan Cave Moot Court Room
Introducer & Moderator: **Charles McManis**

Session III: Commentary, Response of Authors, Paper Presentation
Moderator: **Gerrit De Geest**

- > 1:10-1:30 PM - Commentary on keynote presentation: **Charles McManis**
- > 1:30-1:50 PM - Response of Authors: **Michele Boldrin**, **David Levine**
- > 1:50-2:00 PM – Q&A
- > 2:00-2:30 PM - **George Selgin**, “Strong Steam, Weak Patents, or, the Myth of Watt’s Innovation-Blocking Monopoly, Exploded”

Session III: (cont'd)

- > 2:30-2:50 PM – Commentary: **Michele Boldrin**
- > 2:50-3:00 PM – Q&A

3:00-3:20 PM - Coffee Break

Session IV: Paper Presentation, Commentary, Conference Roundtable

Moderator: **Gerrit De Geest**

- > 3:20-3:50 PM - Paper Presentation: **Michael Meurer**, "Patent Notice Failure and Cumulative Innovation"
- > 3:50-4:10 PM – Commentary: **Ben DePoorter**
- > 4:10-4:30 PM – Commentary: **David Levine**
- > 4:30-4:40 PM – Q&A
- > 4:40-5:20 PM - Roundtable discussion of the day's conference presentations

6:00 PM – Welcome Reception and Dinner (invited conference participants), Whittemore House

Friday, April 3, 2009: Anheuser-Busch Hall, Room 401

Session V: Paper Presentation, Commentary

Moderator: **Gerrit De Geest**

- > 9-9:30 AM - Paper Presentation: **David McGowan**, "Distinguishing Innovation from Variation (and Creativity)"
- > 9:30-9:50 AM – Commentary: **Liza Vertinsky**
- > 9:50-10:10 AM – Commentary: **Randall Picker**
- > 10:10-10:20 AM – Q&A

10:20-10:35 AM - Coffee Break

Session VI: Paper Presentation, Commentary, and Conference Roundtable

Moderator: **Charles McManis**

- > 10:35-11:05 AM - Paper Presentation: **Jim Bessen**, "Evaluating the Economic Performance of Property Systems"
- > 11:05-11:35 AM - Commentary: **Douglass C. North** and **John Drobak**
- > 11:35-12:15 - Conference Roundtable

12:15 PM – Informal Closing Luncheon (invited conference participants)