

Biosketch: Paul A. David

Paul A. David is known internationally for contributions in the economics of science and technology, modern economic history, economic and historical demography, and topics in the economics of industrial organization. He is the author of more than 150 journal articles and contributions to edited books, as well as the author/editor of *Households and Nationals in Economic Growth* (1974), *Technical Choice Innovation and Economic Growth* (1975, reissued 2007), *Reckoning with Slavery* (1976), and *The Economic Future in Historical Perspective* (2003).

A founding editor of the international journal *Economics of Innovation and New Technology*, David serves on the editorial boards of many scholarly journals, particularly those covering areas in which his research has been focused during the past decade. His current research addresses the following topics:

- impacts of intellectual property rights protection on the production and distribution of scientific and cultural works;
- technological, institutional and social infrastructures affecting the organization and performance of publicly funded scientific research;
- resource allocation mechanisms, governance and productivity of free and open source software development projects;
- standards and technology diffusion's role in the evolution of network industries;
- theoretical and practical policy issues arising from the presence of path dependent dynamics in economic and social systems.

At the University of Oxford David currently is Senior Fellow of the Oxford Internet Institute. He is Professor Emeritus of Economics and Economic History, and Emeritus Fellow of All Souls College, where was Senior Research Fellow during 1994-2002. At Stanford University -- where he been a faculty member since 1961, William Robertson Coe Professor of American Economic History (1977-1994), and Professor of History (1970-2002) -- David is Professor of Economics (Emeritus). He is Senior Fellow and Steering Committee member of the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, where he leads SIEPR's "Knowledge, Networks and Institutions for Innovation Program."

David has held the Taussig Visiting Professorship of Economics at Harvard University, the Pitt Professorship of American History and Institutions at the University of Cambridge, and was Extraordinary Research Professor at MERIT-University of Maastricht, as well as having visiting appointments at universities in France and Italy.

Currently David is active as a member of the Executive Committee of CODATA, and on numerous Advisory Boards and Scientific Committees, including those of: l'École du Économie de Paris, the Alta Scuola Politecnico di Milano e Torino, OSSWatch (a JISC-UK Centre), the Center for Economic History and Theory of M.V. Lomonossov State University, Moscow, and Science Commons (a Creative Commons organization). David has been a consultant for numerous international bodies and national government bodies, including: World Bank, OECD, UNCTAD, the Economic Commission of the European Community, the United Nations Universities, the Economic and Social Research Council of the UK, New Zealand Treasury and Department of Science and Technology; the U. S. National Academy of Sciences, the National Science Foundation, and other federal government agencies. He presently is a consulting member of the European Commission's (DG Research) Experts Group on "Knowledge for Growth."

Paul David has been honored by election as Vice-President and President of the Economic History Association (1988-89), and as a Fellow of the International Econometrics Society (1975), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (1979), the British Academy (1995), and the American Philosophical Society (2003). In 2003 he received a doctorate *honoris causa* from the University of Torino (2003).