2024 International Economics and Law Conference

Freedom and Reality



Nanpantan Hall (UK) and Online Friday 23rd to Thursday 29th August

Freedom is a universal aspiration and yet remains a distant dream for many. Their reality can be lack of freedom and prosperity, little engagement with community, a less-than-healthy environment, and little prospect of any meaningful change. How can reality become the freedom to pursue the full potential of a human life?

This conference aims to reformulate the foundations for a society that offers such a reality for anyone that seeks it. Come and join with others on this quest.

Economics:

Real economic freedom is obscured by prevailing economic theories and concepts. Human talents, energies and intelligence are distracted from achieving life's potential.

Presentations and workshops will consider how the realities of life for many can be transformed for the better. Examples will be explored and related to the principles of living naturally.

Economics participants at Nanpantan must have completed two Economics courses at the School, and those online at least one.

Law:

Freedom under law is barely understood, and our natural duties are being obscured by a mass of regulations, statutes, and miscarriages of justice.

Presentations and workshops will consider how the ability of man-made laws to support freedom depend on their coherence with the universal laws that underlie true Justice. Love of Truth lies within us all, as we continue to explore and study what it means to live lawfully, justly and happily for the sake of all.

Law participants at Nanpantan should be attending a current School course.

All:

Arrive at Nanpantan Hall (Nanpantan Rd, Nanpantan, Loughborough LEII 3YF UK) on Friday from I Iam; a buffet lunch will be available. The Conference begins with a meeting at 2 pm and ends by 3pm on Thursday 29th.

We look forward to enjoying the company of those at Nanpantan and online.

General Arrangements

Field Trip: An altered programme for that day.

Study: Inspirational material from various traditions; organised in groups.

Meditation (quiet period): A period of quiet practice; many will be practicing mantra meditation.

House Care: Light tasks for an orderly house.

Study Sessions: Presentations with discussion. Some, including the general meeting, bring Law and Economics together; others examine these subjects separately. Full participation and good timekeeping is encouraged as it helps everyone.

Options: Flexible time for specific interests, individually or with others; facilities for ad-hoc hybrid meetings will be available. Elective Topics require commitment for the week.

Hybrid: Much of the programme is accessible through our enhanced Hybrid Zoom arrangement. Zoom links and study materials will be distributed before the event.

| Registration | and | Fees |
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Booking: Send an early email to Peter Holland at questions@fses.org to help event organisation. All payments to be made before 28th June.

Cancellations: By email at the earliest opportunity. 100% refund if SPES cancels the event; 90% refund for cancellation at least 21 days before the event; otherwise no refund.

Fees: Fees are kept as low as possible; anyone with a genuine interest in attending yet financially unable to, can contact Peter Holland to discuss possible solutions in complete confidence.

All payments are to be made in Pounds Sterling, either online or via the SPES office.

Contacts: All communications, including bookings and queries on travel, accommodation or dietary requirements etc, are to the event organiser, Peter Holland, at questions@fses.org. The only exception is for communications related to payments which are to SPES office.

Liability: Students are responsible for their travel insurance. The School cannot accept responsibility or liability for accidents, illness or loss to participants travelling to and from Nanpantan.

| UK time | On-Site | Online |
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| 06:00 - 06:40 | Reading + Meditation | Optional |
| | House Care + Breakfast | |
| 8.15 - 9.00 | Study (groups) | Study (groups) |
| | Free | |
| 9.20 – 10.30 | Session I | Session I (join) |
| | Refreshment | |
| 11.00- 12.10 | Session 2 | Session 2 (join) |
| | Lunch | |
| 13.20 – 17.00 | Options Period | Options Period |
| | Free | |
| 17.30 – 18.30 | General Meeting | General Meeting (join) |
| | Free | |
| 18.45 – 19.15 | Meditation (quiet period) | Optional |
| | Dinner | |
| 20.30 – 21.30 | Discussion / Activities | Optional |