

News Flash

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Introducing the 2006 Innovation Journalism Fellows

The Innovation Journalism Fellowship Program at Stanford University has announced eight new Fellows for 2006. After a one-week kickoff workshop on the Stanford campus, the fellows are now interacting with U.S. newsrooms connected to the Stanford program. Their mission is to identify and carry out best practices in covering innovation processes in the news.

The fellows represent influential newsrooms in Sweden and Finland, together with the U.S. ranked as the most competitive economies in the world, according to the World Economic Forum. The Innovation Journalism Fellows are this year being hosted by The Wall Street Journal, Fortune, Red Herring, Business 2.0, CNET News.com, PC World and the San Francisco Chronicle.

While working with their hosts, the fellows will participate in a virtual community organized by Stanford. They will present the results of their work at The Third Conference on Innovation Journalism at Stanford April 5-7. The opening speaker for the conference is Vint Cerf, "Father of the Internet" and Chief Internet Evangelist of Google.

"Today, innovation processes drive society. But the news doesn't cover it very much." says Dr. David Nordfors, founder of the Stanford program. "It's difficult for journalists to cover the interaction between research, business, politics and culture, fields that traditionally belong to different news desks. We are building a community of journalists that are developing skills for reporting across the beats."

The Innovation Journalism Program was started in 2004 at Stanford University by SCIL, the Stanford Center for Innovations in Learning and VINNOVA, the Swedish government agency for innovation systems. In 2005 Finland and Pakistan set up national programs for nominating fellows to the program at Stanford.

2006 Fellows	Hosts
Jyrki Alkio (Finland), Staff Writer,	Tom Murphy, Editor-in-Chief, Red Herring
Helsingin Sanomat	
Erik Amcoff (Sweden), Editor,	Almar Latour, Technology Editor, Wall
Affärsvärlden	Street Journal
Patrick Baltatzis (Sweden), Writer and	Josh Quittner, Editor, Business 2.0
Web Editor, Entreprenör	
Eva Barkeman (Sweden), Science Editor,	Robert Friedman, International Editor,
Aftonbladet	Fortune
Thomas Frostberg (Sweden), Editor-in-	Ken Howe, Business Editor, The San
Chief, Rapidus News Service	Francisco Chronicle
Erika Ingvald (Sweden), Journalist,	Harry McCracken, Editor-in-Chief, PC
Elektroniktidningen	World
Amanda Termén (Sweden), Reporter,	Harry Fuller, Executive Editor, CNET
Göteborgsposten	News.com
Dr. Turo Uskali (Finland), Researcher	Dr. David Nordfors, Senior Research
Innovation Journalism, University of	Scholar Innovation Journalism, Stanford
Jyväskylä	University

Announcement of the Third Conference on Innovation Journalism: www.innovationjournalism.org/archive/NF-011806.pdf

SCIL - Stanford Center for Innovations in Learning

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VINNOVA – Swedish Government Agency for Innovation Systems

VINNOVA is the Swedish government agency for innovation systems with the mission to promote sustainable growth by financing research and technical developments and to develop effective innovation systems. www.vinnova.se

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