

Wiki Loves Capitol Hill

lessons learned

Why



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Imagine a World Without Free Knowledge

For more than a decade, we have spent millions of hours building the largest encyclopedia in human history. Right now, the U.S. Congress is considering legislation that could fatally damage the free and open Internet. For 24 hours, to raise awareness, we are blacking out Wikipedia. [Learn more.](#)

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Why not?

(a) Advocacy is social engineering.

Lobbying as a serious business and a long-term project

- Monitoring of legislative affairs
- Writing Policy Papers and expert's opinions
- Building up alliances and networks
- Being visible in the public sphere (with events, publications)
- Seeking partnerships and cooperations

Who



Where



What



What

- Wikimedia DC agenda
 - What is Wikipedia?
 - Computer Fraud and Abuse Act Reform
 - Trans Pacific Partnership treaty; Copyright Alert System
 - Orphan Works Reform
 - What is open source?
 - Wikipedia & GLAM

 - **Listen !?**

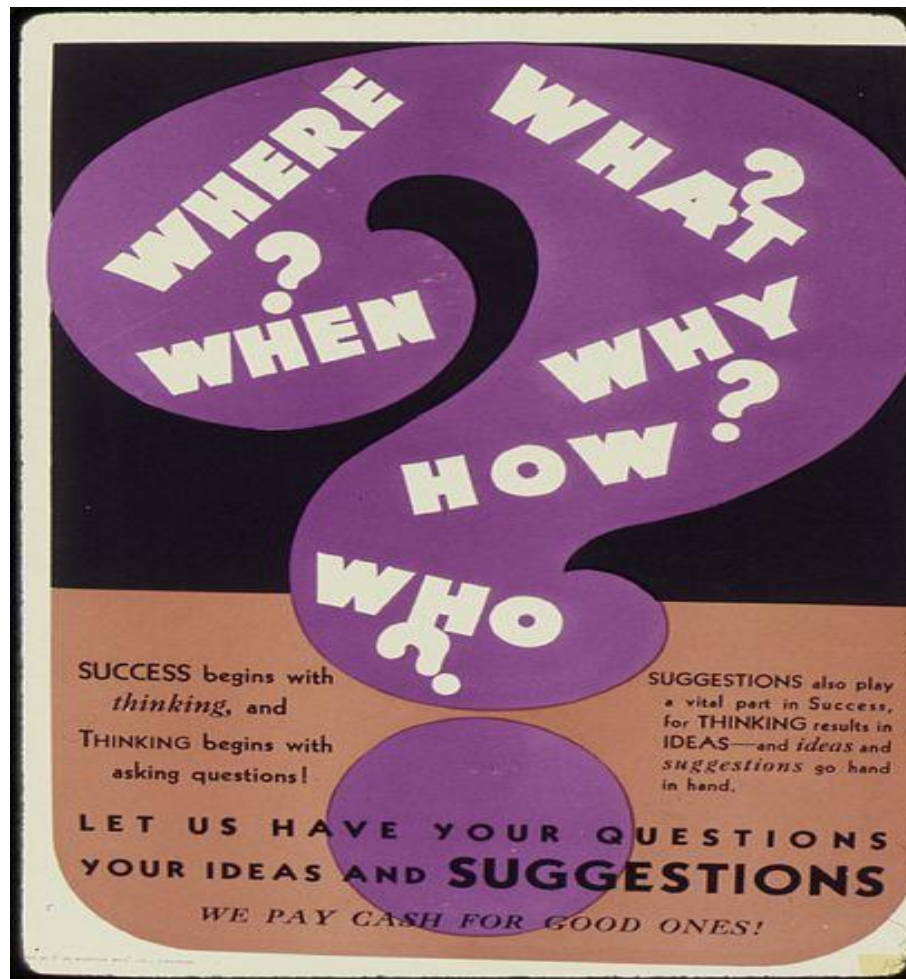
Lessons Learned

- SOPA is dead
- Sons of SOPA are alive:
 - Trans Pacific Partnership treaty
 - Copyright Alert System

Lessons learned

- Copyright reform is pending in House
- No sign of term extension
- Congress briefed about TPP treaty
- Net neutrality ongoing (bellheads v. netheads)

- Bitter battle between content owners and internet companies



Credits:

- Wikimedia Foundation; Dark Attsios
- Jan Engelmann (WMDE)
- Slowking4
- Carol M. Highsmith
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- War Production Board, compiled 1942 – 1943

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