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Biography

W. Edward Steinmueller, Professor of Information and Communication Technology Policy at SPRU – Science and Technology Policy Research, University of Sussex received his Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University where he was Senior Research Associate and Deputy Director at Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. His works include industrial economics studies of software, integrated circuit and telecommunication industries and the book *Mobilizing the Information Society: Strategies for Growth and Opportunity*, Oxford University Press, 2000 (with R. Mansell). He also has written on science policy including co-editing (with A. Geuna and A Salter) of *Science and Innovation: Rethinking the Rationales for Funding and Governance*, Edward Elgar, 2003. His current areas of research include the economics of open source communities, purposive virtual communities such as Wikipedia, the economics of scientific knowledge production and distribution, and the relationships among social, organisational, and technological factors in the production and adoption of new Internet related technologies. He is internationally known for his work on the integrated circuit, computer, telecommunication, and software industries and is a policy consultant in areas of industrial policy and high technology competition such as intellectual property rights, competition policy and standardisation.

Preferred Topics and Keywords

- Science and technology policy
- Economics of technological change
- Software
- Computer
- Integrated circuit
- Creative industries.