



BOOK FORUM

Rational Exuberance: Silencing the Enemies of Growth and Why the Future Is Better Than You Think

Friday, July 23, 2004, 9:30–11:00 a.m.
Wohlstetter Conference Center, Twelfth Floor, AEI
1150 Seventeenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036

In *Rational Exuberance: Silencing the Enemies of Growth and Why the Future Is Better Than You Think* (HarperBusiness, 2004), Michael J. Mandel argues that the U.S. economy will not create enough jobs or wealth in the future unless breakthrough innovations—on the order of the Internet—take place. It is often assumed that vibrant, technology-driven growth, termed by Mandel as “exuberant growth,” is the result of discoveries that seem at times random and haphazard. Are they? Mandel thinks not and argues that public policy can play a significant role in stimulating the development of new technologies. The author identifies these policies in his new book and contrasts them to those recommended by others.

9:15 a.m. Registration

9:30 *Presenter:* MICHAEL J. MANDEL, *Business Week*

 Discussants: R. GLENN HUBBARD, AEI and Columbia University
 ZANNY MINTON-BEDDOES, *The Economist*
 ROBERT SHAPIRO, Brookings Institution and Sonecon, LLC

 Moderator: KEVIN A. HASSETT, AEI

11:00 Adjournment

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