

## Westminster eForum Keynote Seminar: File-sharing, copyright and the digital consumer

Date: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Venue: Invision Suite, Congress Centre, 28 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS

Agenda subject to change

- 8.45 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**  
**Pete Wishart MP**, Vice-Convenor, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Intellectual Property
- 9.05 - 9.15 **The UK media industry, copyright and the challenge of the web**  
*Theme: The importance of copyright and intellectual property legislation to the UK's creative economy.*  
**Vanessa Barnett**, Partner, Head, Digital Business, Berwin Leighton Paisner
- 9.15 - 10.00 **Copyright, consumers and the creative economy**  
*Themes: How far is UK copyright law meeting the needs of consumers, artists and rights holders? To what extent are academics, consumers and rights holders confused about the legality of format-shifting, back-up copying and the use of material for parody or academic purposes? What effect does current copyright and intellectual property legislation have on artists? What amendments might UK copyright law need to meet the challenges posed by the digital age?*  
**Alison Wenham OBE**, Chairman and Chief Executive, AIM (Association of Independent Music)  
**Jill Johnstone**, Director, International Policy Advocacy, Consumer Focus  
**Nicholas Lovell**, founder, GamesBrief  
**Matt Riley**, Head, Digital Promotions and Sync Licensing, Hospital Records  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Vanessa Barnett**, Partner, Head of Digital Business, Berwin Leighton Paisner
- 10.00 - 10.25 **The digital content consumer - finding a happy medium**  
*Themes: Why is there seemingly a battle between consumers and content owners regarding the use of digital content? What are the practical next-step approaches to ensure consumer satisfaction and proper recompense for right holders and artists?*  
**Peter Jenner**, Emeritus President, IMMF (International Music Managers' Forum)  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 - 10.30 **Chairman's closing remarks**  
**Pete Wishart MP**, Vice-Convenor, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Intellectual Property
- 10.30 - 10.55 Coffee
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chairman's opening remarks**  
**Lord Lucas of Crudwell and Dingwall**
- 11.00 - 11.30 **Copyright and confidence: what should be the new relationship between public service and the creative industries?**  
*Theme: The importance of protecting content to the UK creative industries.*  
**Dr Jeremy Silver**, Digital Media Entrepreneur and Acting Chief Executive Officer, Featured Artists Coalition  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 - 12.25 **Tackling illegal file-sharing, copyright infringement and piracy**  
*Themes: Latest thinking and emerging methods of fighting illegal file-sharing. Will the Digital Economy Act's provisions deter file-sharers or will they find a way to work around it? Who should be responsible for tackling file-sharing? Is a three strikes policy fair? Who should arbitrate disputes? To what extent can access to the internet be seen as a human right? To what extent do media 'release windows' increase the propensity for people to file-share? Is simultaneous release a commercially viable option? How does illegal file-sharing affect the artist?*  
**Campbell Cowie**, Director, Policy Development, Ofcom  
**Will Page**, Chief Economist, PRS for Music  
**Dr Damian Tambini**, Member, Communications Consumer Panel and Senior Lecturer, London School of Economics and Political Science  
**Thomas Dillon**, Legal & Public Policy Counsel, Flaxman Court  
**Paul Carlyle**, Head, Media and Technology, Shepherd and Wedderburn  
**Simon Milner**, Director, Group Industry Policy, BT  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.30 **Chairman's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**  
**Lord Lucas of Crudwell and Dingwall**  
**Thomas Raynsford**, Senior Producer, Westminster eForum
- 12.30 - 13.00 Informal discussion