

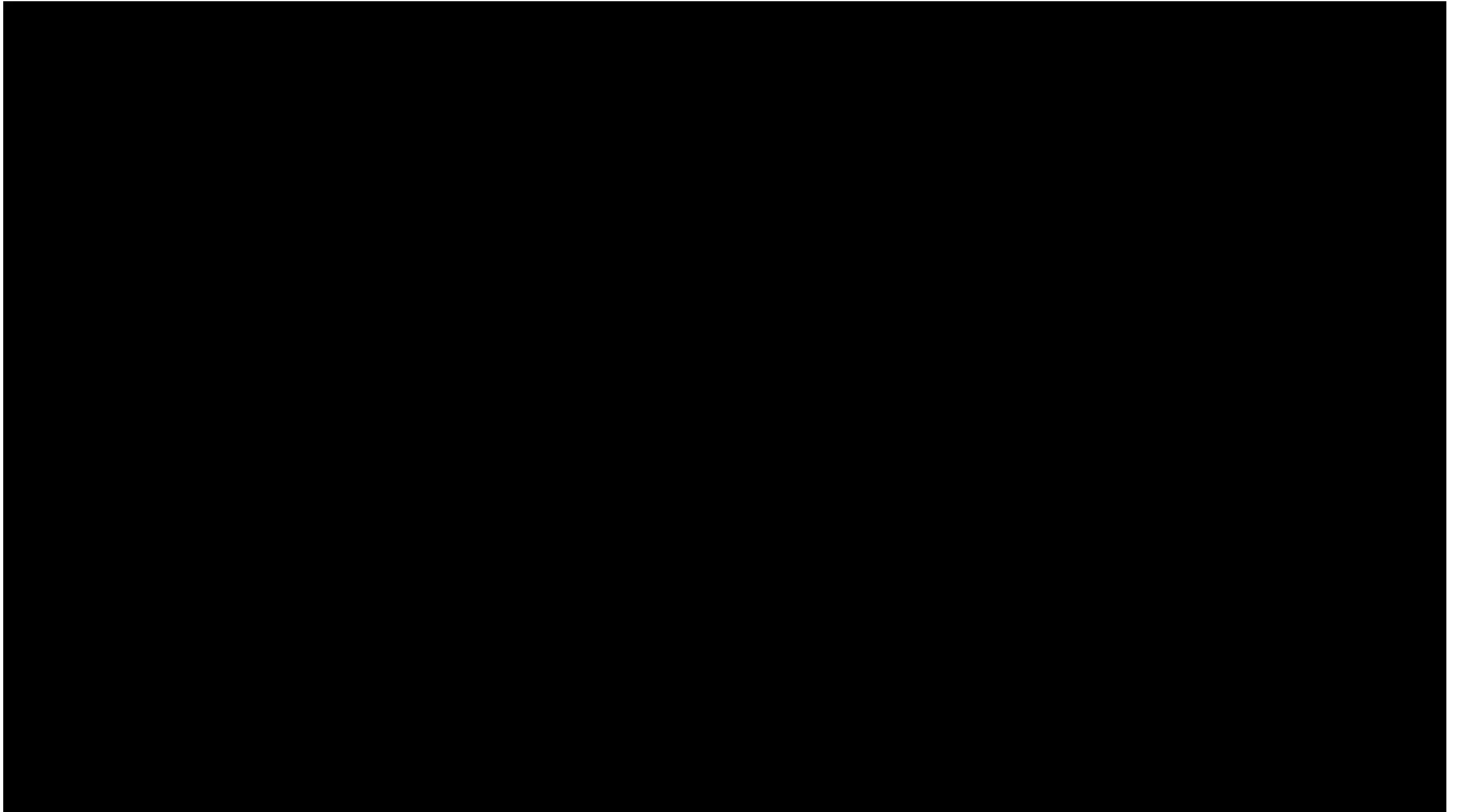
Konformism – ett nödvändigt ont

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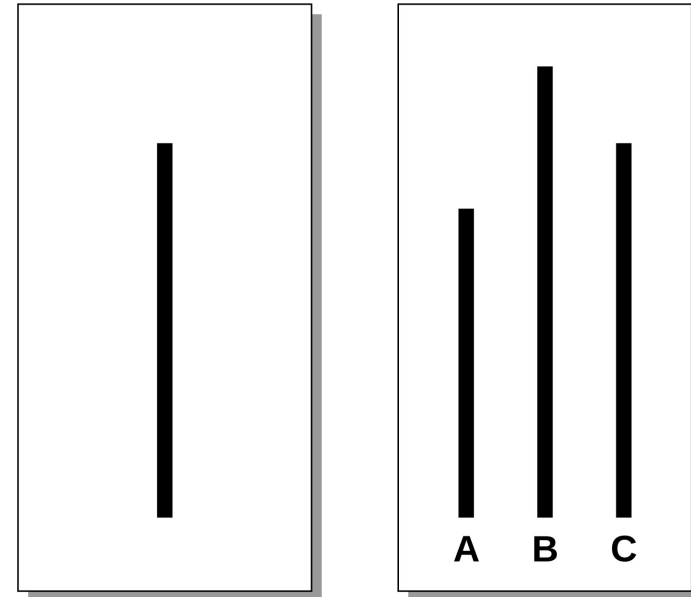


Konformism – två sidor

Inifrån - utifrån

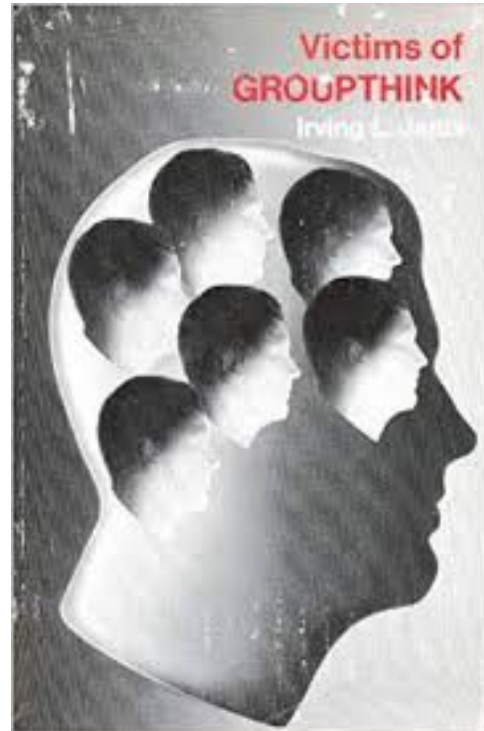
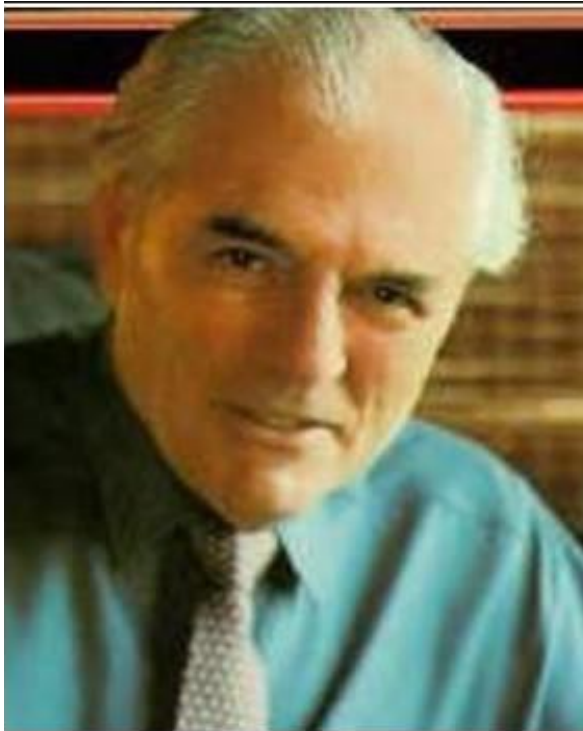
- Individens vill anpassa sig till gruppen
- Gruppen kräver anpassning av individen

Asch conformity experiments 1955



Rädsla för social bestraffning eller tvivel på den egna upplevelsen

Irving Janis - Groupthink



Victims of Groupthink
1972

”... a quick and easy way to refer to a mode of thinking that people engage in when they are deeply involved in a cohesive in-group, *when the members’ strivings for unanimity override their motivation to realistically appraise alternative courses of action (min kursiv.)* ...

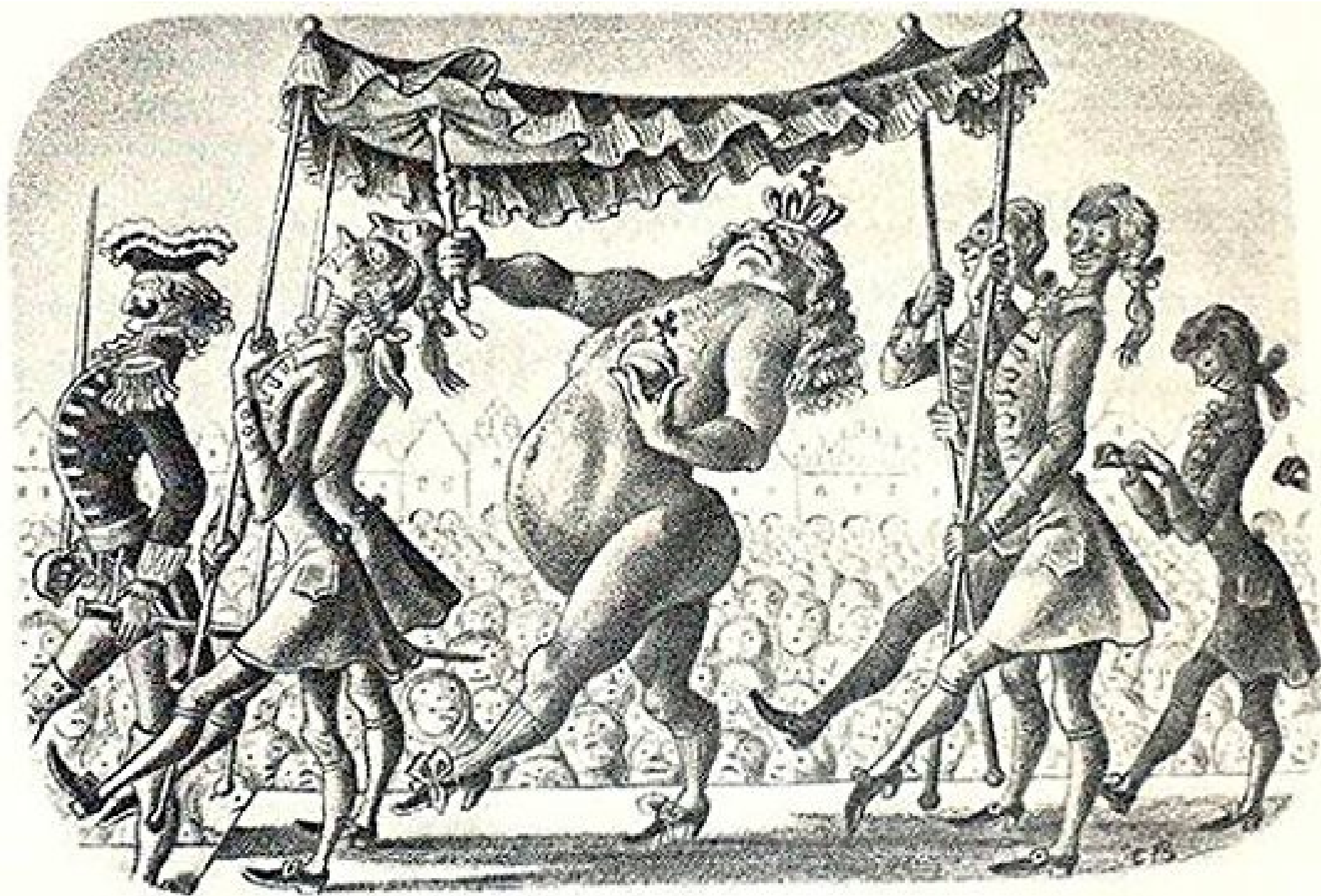
Groupthink refers to a deterioration of mental efficiency, reality testing and moral judgment. ”

Groupthink

1. En grupp samlas kring en plausibel men idé som dock har en bräcklig grund och är svår att testa.
2. Därför uppkommer ett starkt behov att förstärka medlemmarnas tro och att ständigt betona att det råder "konsensus".
3. Krav på uppslutning kring konsensus och jakt på avvikare.

Symptom

- Egenrättfärdighet, självöverskattning, illusion av osårbarhet, risktagande
- Rationalisering av motstånd. Det beror på dumhet, okunnighet, illvilja
- Självcensur – kritik tystnar, skapar illusion av consensus
- Krav på lojalitet, bestraffning o utstötning av “förrädare”



Type I: Overestimations of the group — its power and morality

- *Illusions of invulnerability* creating excessive optimism and encouraging risk taking.
- *Unquestioned belief* in the morality of the group, causing members to ignore the consequences of their actions.

Type II: Closed-mindedness

- *Rationalizing warnings* that might challenge the group's assumptions.
- *Stereotyping* those who are opposed to the group as weak, evil, biased, spiteful, impotent, or stupid.

Type III: Pressures toward uniformity

- *Self-censorship* of ideas that deviate from the apparent group consensus.
- *Illusions of unanimity* among group members, silence is viewed as agreement.
- *Direct pressure* to conform placed on any member who questions the group, couched in terms of "disloyalty"
- *Mindguards*— self-appointed members who shield the group from dissenting information.

Behovet att tysta och stöta ut avvikarna

Det starka behovet att anpassa sig

Den som sjunger i grupp
Kastar sin bror i fängelse
Bara man ber honom

Henri Michaux

Finns det en åsiktskorridor?

Inte en fråga om höger – vänster!!!

Glöm inte Knut Wiksell, Bengt Lidforss, George Orwell,
amerikanska kommunister, tyska antinazister ...

Varje tid har sina avvikare

Fårens hejaklack:

"Two Legs Good, Four Legs Bad,"

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"Four Legs Good, Two Legs Better"



George Eaton



Roger Scruton

George Eaton celebrates with champagne
He has since apologised for the picture
but says he stands by the interview.

Vad händer med avvikarna?



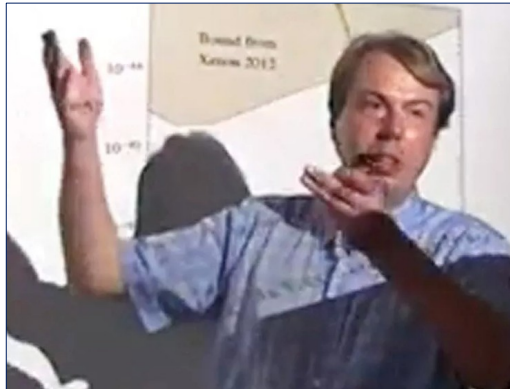
Helmuth Nyborg, sparkad från Århus univ.



James Damore, sparkad från Google



Debra Soh, lämnade akademien pga mobbning



Alessandro Strumia, sparkad från CERN



Lawrence Summers, tvingad avgå som rektor



Rebecca Tuvel, utmobbad

Incitament

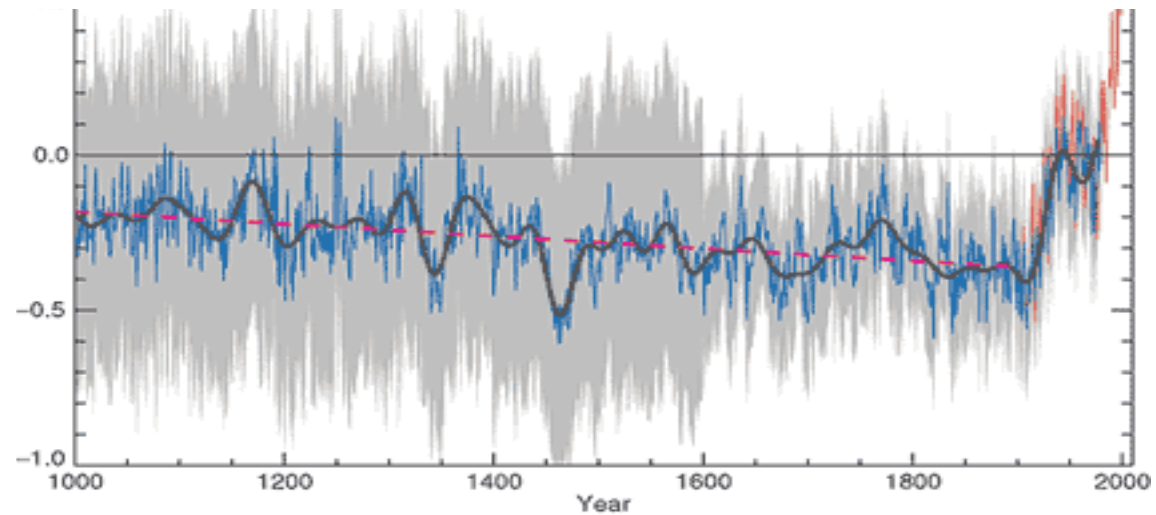
- Egenintresse – anslag, tjänster, konferensinbjudningar, status ...
- Sociala belöningar: uppskattning, emotionell trygghet i gruppen
- Ansvarsbefrielse – ju större grupp, desto mindre är ditt ansvar
- När man väl anslutit sig måste man bekämpa motståndarna

Fanatism

"whenever science is enlisted in a political cause, the result is always that the scientists themselves become fanatics."

Phillip Johnson Berkeley, law professor

Michael Mann vs Tim Ball & Mark Steyn



Calls to punish skeptics rise with links to climate change, hurricanes



A house in Florida, slid into the Atlantic Ocean on Monday while Irma, downgraded to a tropical storm,

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ACCOUNTABILITY

CLIMATE CHANGE DENIAL SHOULD BE A CRIME

In the wake of Harvey, it's time to treat science denial as gross negligence—and hold those who do the denying accountable.



By Brian Merchant

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Arrest Climate-Change Deniers



Adam Weinstein

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OPINION

SHOULD CLIMATE CHANGE DENIERS BE PROSECUTED?

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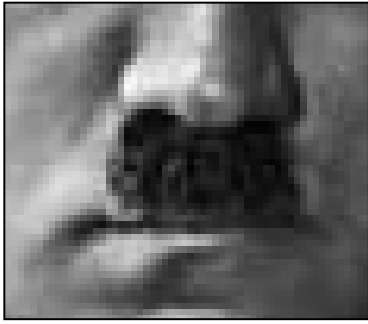
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Björn Wiman: Dags att ställa klimatförbrytarna till ansvar för brott mot mänskligheten



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”Det är hög tid att ställa klimatförbrytarna inför rätta”



Fler argument

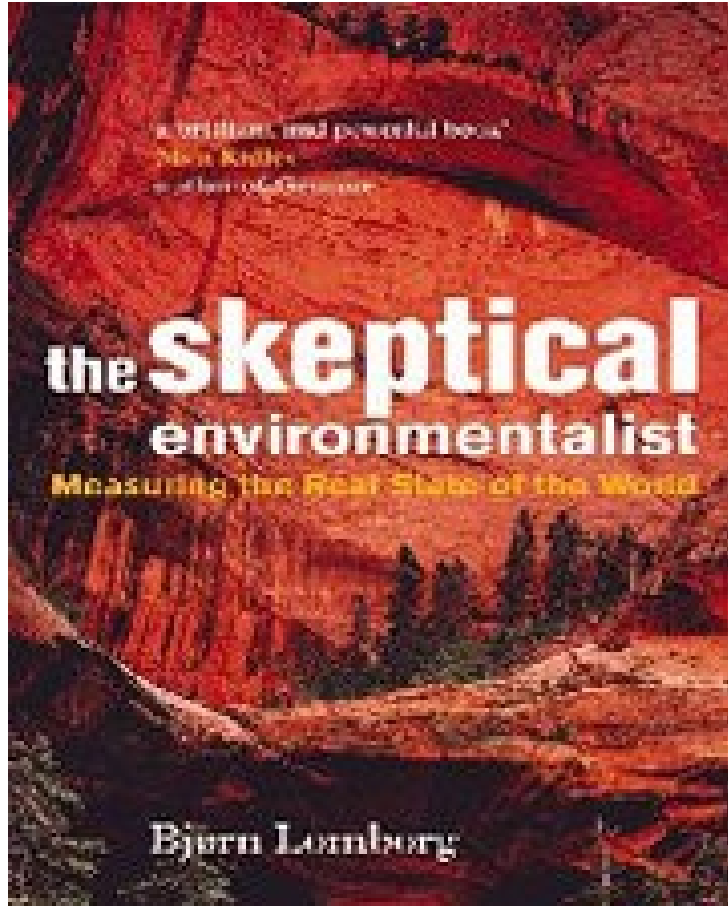
”Almost everywhere, climate change denial now looks as stupid and as unacceptable as Holocaust denial.”

Georges Monbiot Guardian, 21 September 2006

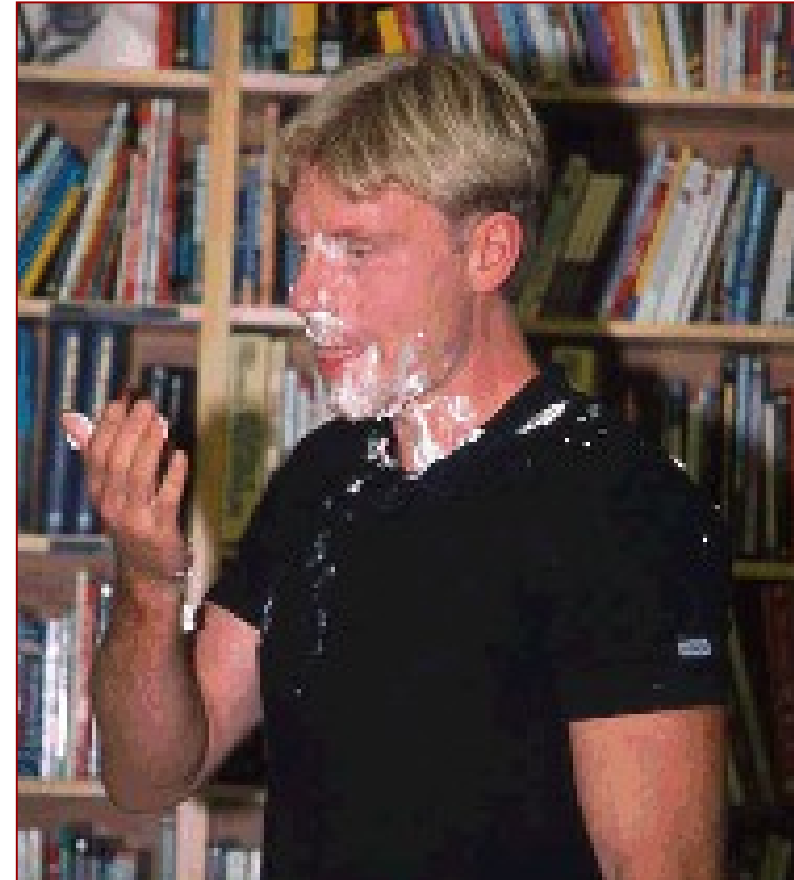
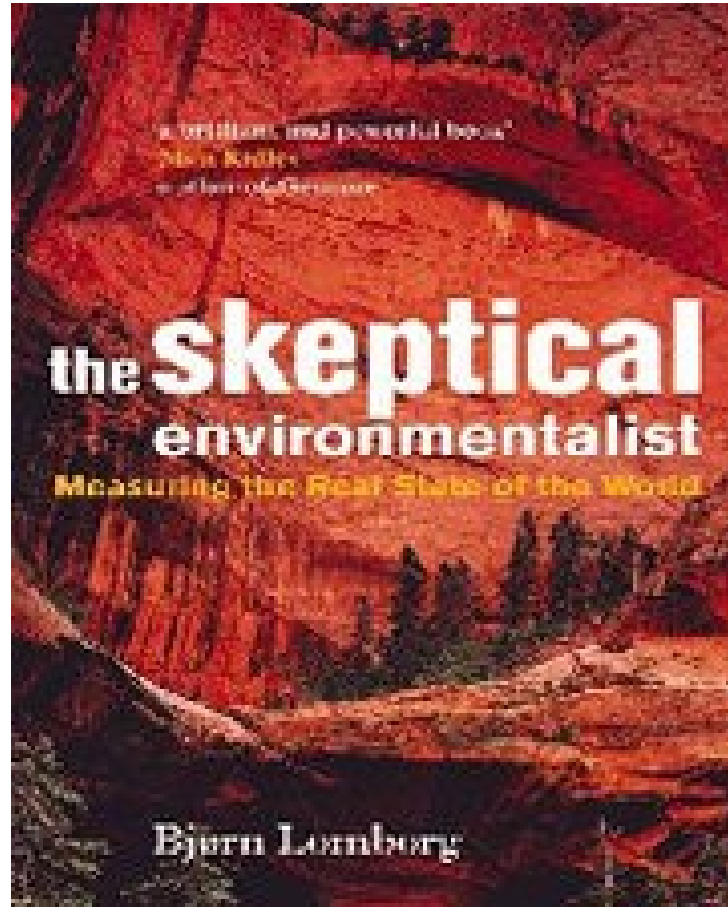
“I put this [climate change skepticism] in a similar moral category to Holocaust denial - except that this time the Holocaust is yet to come, and we still have time to avoid it. Those who try to ensure we don't will one day have to answer for their crimes. ...”

Mark Lynas 19th May, 2006 marklynas.org

Fallet Björn Lomborg



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Science Defends Itself Against *The Skeptical Environmentalist*

Tre recensioner!



Vetenskaplig ståndrätt

Udvalgene Vedrørende Videnskabelig
Uredelighed:

*”objektivt set var tale om videnskabelig
uredelighed i klar strid med normerne for god
videnskabelig skik”*

Kritik mot användande av sekundärkällor

Och vad bygger kommittén sin
bedömning på?

Scientific American och *Stephen Schneider*

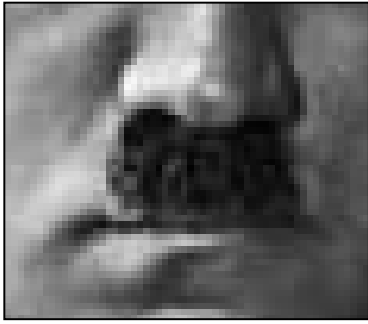
Och vem är *Stephen Schneider*?



Stephen Schneider

“On the one hand, as scientists we are ethically bound to the scientific method ... to tell the truth... On the other hand, we are human beings as well... we'd like to see the world a better place, .. we need ... to capture the public's imagination. That, of course, entails getting loads of media coverage. So we have to offer up scary scenarios, make simplified, dramatic statements. ... Each of us has to decide what the right balance is between being effective and being honest.

Stephen Schneider in Discover Magazine, 1989



Fler argument

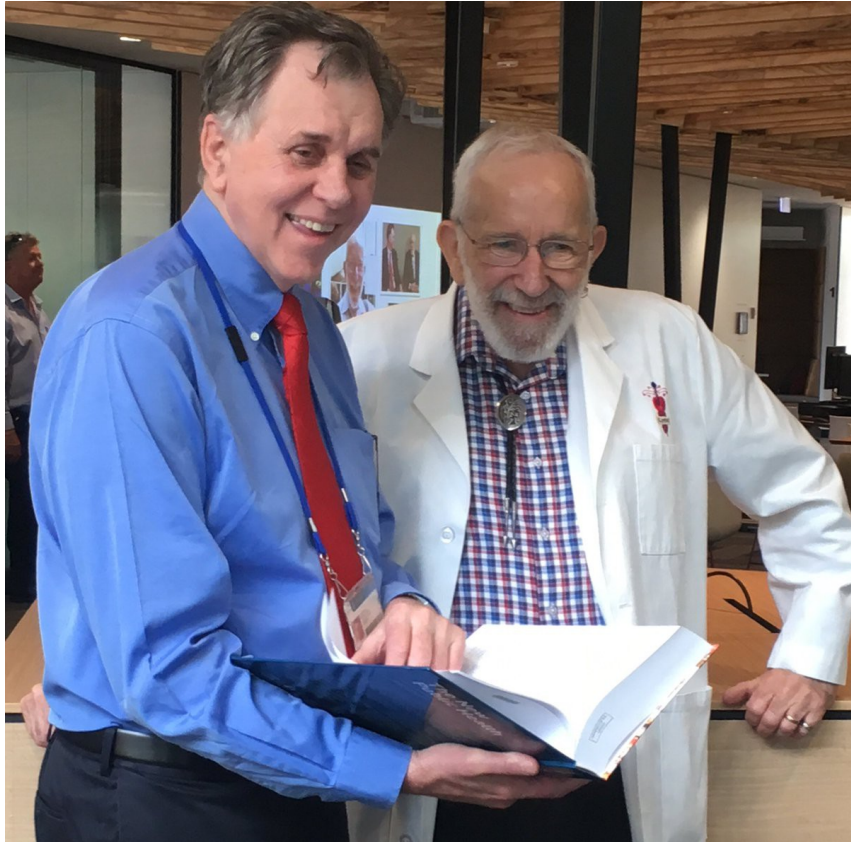
” Hvor er forskellen på Lomborgs menneskesyn og Hitlers?
... Hvis man skal følge Lomborgs tankegang, var det måske
rigtigt, hvad Hitler gjorde

*IPCC's chairman Dr. Rajendra Pachauri. Intervju i Jyllandsposten April
20, 2004*

“The text employs the strategy of those who, for example,
argue that ... Jews weren't singled out by the Nazis for
extermination...”

Stuart Pimm and Jeff Harvey, Nature 414:149

Robin Warren & Barry Marshall



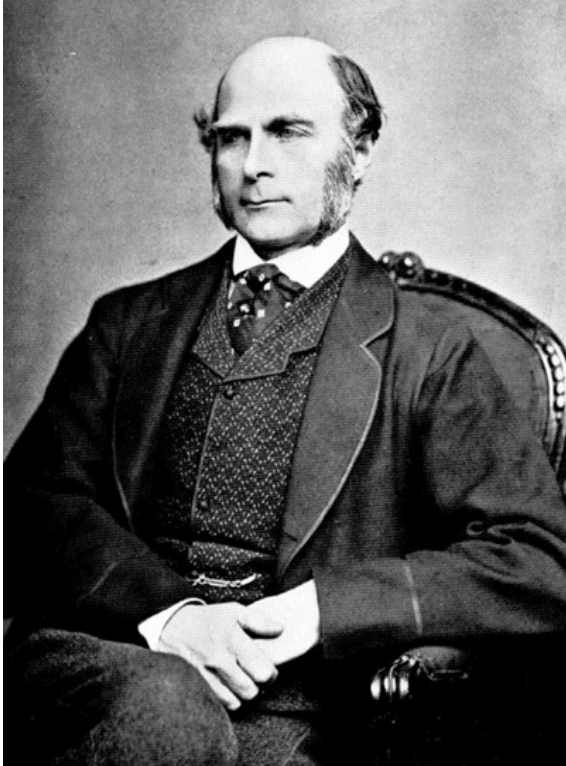
“I found out that the first paper I tried to submit in the US had been rejected because people higher up in the US gastroenterology world had decided, as a policy, *that this thing was too new and radical, too ‘out there’, and they weren’t going to accept any of those papers.* In the year when I arrived in the US there were hardly any papers on *Helicobacter.*”

Kostnaderna för samhället enorma

Finns det något bra med konformism?

- Majoriteten har ofta rätt
- Vi måste luta oss mot auktoriteter

The Wisdom of Crowds



Sir Francis Galton



James Surowiecki

Condorcet's jury theorem



Samarbete, social sammanhållning, moralens uppkomst

In the long history of humankind (and animal kind too) those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed.

Charles Darwin

Reciprocal altruism - competitive altruism – virtue signalling

Hårda straff för dem som undergräver överenskommelser

Ex: Förrädare – Judas, Quisling

Folk som ställer bilen på plats för handikappade

'If'

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

...

Rudyard Kipling

