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THE MANHATTAN INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES SHORTLIST FOR HAYEK BOOK PRIZE

New York, NY (January 29, 2015)—The Manhattan Institute has announced the shortlist for the annual Hayek Book Prize. The prize, awarded in New York each year, celebrates authors who best represent the principles of F.A. Hayek. This is the first time that a shortlist for this prize has been publicly announced.

The finalists are:

- *The Forgotten Depression: 1921: The Crash that Cured Itself*, by James Grant (Simon & Schuster)
- *The Rule of Nobody: Saving America from Dead Laws and Broken Government*, by Philip K. Howard (W.W. Norton & Co)
- *Recasting India: How Entrepreneurship is Revolutionizing the World’s Largest Democracy*, by Hindol Sengupta (Palgrave Macmillan Trade)
- *Putin’s Kleptocracy: Who Owns Russia?*, by Karen Dawisha (Simon & Schuster)
- *The Tyranny of Experts: Economists, Dictators, and the Forgotten Rights of the Poor*, by William Easterly (Basic Books)

Amity Shlaes, who chairs the jury for the prize, said, “These books remind us of the extreme relevance of Hayek to our current circumstances in the United States and abroad. Neither the presidential election nor the economy can be understood without Hayek.”

Manhattan Institute President Lawrence Mone added, “We have been pleased to see Hayek’s work and this prize grow in popularity over the years. We’re looking forward to honoring one of these worthy finalists at the annual Hayek lecture.”

The winner, who will receive a $50,000 award, will be announced in late February and will deliver the annual Hayek lecture in New York in early June.

About the Hayek Lecture and Book Prize

Political philosopher and Nobel laureate F. A. Hayek, author of groundbreaking works such as *The Road to Serfdom* and *The Constitution of Liberty*, was the key figure in the twentieth century revival of classical liberalism. He was also a formative influence on the Manhattan Institute. When our founder, Sir Antony Fisher, asked how best to reverse the erosion of freedom, Hayek advised him not to begin with politics *per se* but to fight first on the battlefield of ideas. The Hayek Lecture and Prize affirm and celebrate this mission.

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