



## [Freedom Is Undoubtedly the Key to Human Flourishing](#)

The challenge is to get that message to millions who see no solution to their poverty.

[How a mini library of classical liberal texts on a CD](#) has empowered thousands to explore and promote the principles and values of a free society including in countries and languages where there was previously no access to these life changing concepts.

Since 2006, when the first CD Ideas for a Free Society was launched in English, and now also available in 8 other languages, tens of thousands have been distributed by our independent in country partners in over 60 countries. Partners whose own thoughts and lives were changed when they were first handed one are now creating real impacts as a result.

### **The Impact of the CD Internationally**

Dr Wolf von Laer's first introduction to the ideas of liberty was when he was given a copy of the CD Ideas for a Free Society as a student in Germany. This influenced not only his thinking but the direction of his life. Today he is CEO of Students for Liberty and influencing the thinking and lives of many others. [Read more.](#)

*Dr. Wolf von Laer addresses the 10th International Students for Liberty Conference in Washington D.C*



## The Impact of the CD in Uganda

Mugabi Socrates first encounter with the CD led him to dedicate his life to 'get a CD to every student'. He has thereby inspired many including the President of Ladies of Liberty Alliance in Uganda who here tell students how hard it had been for her to understand the message of free trade, limited government and property rights until she spared an hour every day to read the texts on the CD. "Take advantage of the CDs whenever you have the time" she told them. [Read more.](#)



## The impact of the CD in Afghanistan

In June 2017 the Afghanistan Economics and Legal Studies Organisation published a CD with support from NFS called Thoughts for Peace and Prosperity, which was along the same lines as Ideas for a Free Society with some similar texts but in Dari and others that were more relevant to readers in Afghanistan, Iran and Tajikistan where Dari can also be read. Two thousand copies were printed but were soon all taken up by students and others so in 2019 the 3<sup>rd</sup> and largely re edited version was published. [Read more](#) to see the influence of these CDs.



## The Impact of the CD More Broadly in Africa and Asia

In 2010 Olumayowa Okediran was running the Social Justice Club at the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Nigeria and now is Director of International Programmes for Students for Liberty in Africa and Asia. The CD played a significant role. [Read more](#)



## The Impact of the CD on Burundi, Rwanda and D.R.Congo

In 2015 when Burundian student Aimable Manirakiza went to a Students for Liberty event in Nairobi he had had no access to classical liberal ideas or texts. There simply were none in his very poor country and virtually no access to the internet either. In Kenya he received the CD in French *Idees pour une Societe Libre* from Linda Kavuka which changed all that. Five years later as a result there are many vibrant chapters of Students for Liberty in not only Burundi but also D.R.Congo and Rwanda as well plus a very effective Think Tank in Burundi and new young Think Tanks in the other two countries. [Read more](#).

*Aimable making the case for the market in D.R.Congo with the CDs to hand*



Although the CD has far exceeded all our expectations of it in 2006 we are always seeking for better, cheaper ways of getting these ideas to wider and less accessible audiences. Certell.org is working on an app that could be transferred to the mobile devices of those that have them at no cost and without wifi. We have great hopes of it.

## **The Future**

Great progress and I think an even better newsletter.

A **huge** thank you to our **wonderful donors**, our **inspirational partners** and other friends for all their work and support during 2019 to increase understanding of the power of freedom in places where it is so much needed.

If you have not already done so please support this important work in 2020 There are still millions of people who have no idea that there is a solution to the misery and poverty in which they live and no way to find out unless we can help our partners reach them.

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