**Personal Statement – Peter T. Knight**

**Candidate for BIEN News Service Editor**

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I am a political economist who retired from the World Bank in 1997 after over 20 years serving in economist and managerial positions, the last being Chief of a Pilot Electronic Media Center dedicated to using the Internet and video/TV to advance the Bank’s mission. Previously I held positions at the Brookings Institution, the Ford Foundation, and Cornell University. I hold a PhD in Economics from Stanford University and also degrees in politics, philosophy, and economics (PPE) from Oxford University and in Government from Dartmouth College.

Since leaving the World Bank I have worked as a consultant and author specializing in leveraging information and communications technologies to support economic and social development. I have extensive publications, including 12 solely or co-authored books and hundreds of book chapters, monographs, and articles. I am also a semi-professional photographer (see <https://www.ptknightphotos.com/>).

In 2017 I founded the Sufficiency for Sustainability Network (<https://www.sufficiency4sustainability.org/>) that seeks to promote thought, communication, and action across three areas: sufficiency, sustainability, and innovation. Also in 2017, I became a member of BIEN, since I regard basic income as the best public policy to advance sufficiency. In November 2021 I accepted an invitation to be acting News Service Editor. As such I have been responsible for recruiting, writing, and posting News items on the BIEN website, issuing the monthly *News Bulletin* currently being received by almost 14,000 subscribers, and participating in virtual meetings of BIEN’s Executive Committee.

If elected, I will be honored to continue to exercise these responsibilities for BIEN.