

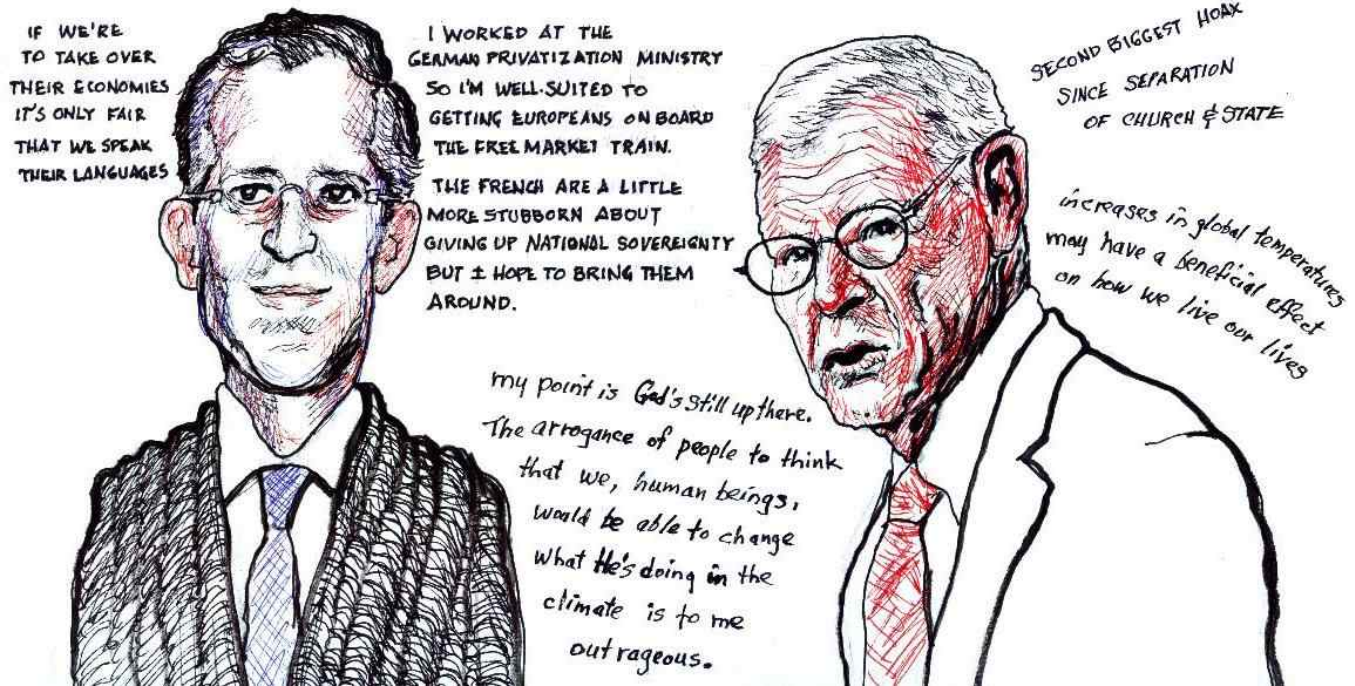
A **CCN** Exclusive Case Study
EDUCATION VS. DIVINE ENLIGHTENMENT
IS EDUCATION WORTH IT?

Ambassador Anthony Luzzato Gardner

US Ambassador to the European Union

Senator James Inhofe

Chairman of the Senate Committee on Environment



CCN has looked for prominent government leaders with the most and least imposing academic backgrounds and come up with the finalists shown above.

Ambassador Gardner has a BA in Government from Harvard, an MPhil in International Relations from Oxford University; a JD from Columbia Law School and a Masters in Finance from the London School of Business and he speaks five languages. We were unable to find anyone in a major position who can top that. As Ambassador to the EU, Gardner's mission is to secure passage of the secret trade agreement TTIP.

Senator Inhofe is not the least educated member of Congress, since he returned to get a BA degree from the University of Tulsa at the age of 40 after establishing his career in politics, but as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, he will be one of the most influential. His bold ignorance puts him right up there on the divine guidance platform with Sarah Palin. He gained our selection because he wields real power in government, while she, who does not, was actually molded by exposure to five different colleges.

Important quotes:

Gardner: (speaking about Investor State Dispute Settlement provisions in secret TTIP negotiations after France opposed them) “removing the ISDS from the negotiations would give off a very bad signal. It would clear the way for the removal of other chapters of the negotiations”.

Inhofe: “Global warming is the second largest hoax ever played on the American people, after the Separation of Church and State.”

Conclusion:

Both men have been put in a position to succeed. If Ambassador Gardner should succeed and both TTP and TTIP be approved with the ISDS provisions intact, it will put an end to the reign of representative elected governments, i.e. democracy, throughout the world, no mean feat that. However, should Senator Inhofe succeed, the planet may be rendered uninhabitable by human beings before his grandchildren get to erect a monument to him.

Upon analysis of the potential impacts of our two carefully chosen protagonists, and noting that while the cost of higher education has become stratospheric, whereas a serviceable Bible can be obtained for about €10, or stolen from most Mid-western or Southern motels, clearly there's more bang for the buck in a Bible.

CCN must sadly conclude that the answer to the question “Is education worth it?”, is a resounding **NO**.

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