



[The Adam Smith Institute](#)

Much favoured by Margaret Thatcher, the ASI's main focus is the introduction of free market policies.



[The Bow Group](#)

A conservative thinktank founded in 1951 to counter socialism.



[Catalyst](#)

Independent thinktank of the left, committed to developing and promoting practical policies for the redistribution of wealth, power and opportunity



[The Centre for European Reform](#)

A pro-European but not uncritical organisation, the CER aims to stimulate debate on the future of the EU.



[The Centre for Policy Studies](#)

Margaret Thatcher's favourite. Generated a wealth of policy ideas in the 1970s and is looking to do the same again.



[CentreForum](#)

Independent, progressive public policy think tank providing an alternative entry-point into the political process through ideas and debates.



[Chatham House](#)

Historic independent thintank with a focus on international affairs. Founded in 1920 following the Paris Peace Conference.



Commonwealth Policy Studies Institute

Independent institution which researches, analyses and makes recommendations on issues of importance to policy makers throughout the Commonwealth.



The Constitution Unit

An independent research body on constitutional change based in the School of Public Policy at University College London.



Civitas

An offshoot of the Institute for Economic Affairs, which aims for a better division of responsibilities between government and civil society.



Demos

Launched in 1993, Demos has promoted a radical agenda of eye-catching, media-friendly policies.



The Fabian Society

Founded in 1884 and affiliated to the Labour party, the Fabian Society is a major left-of-centre thinktank.



The Foreign Policy Centre

The Foreign Policy Centre's aim is to explore the impact of globalisation on foreign and domestic policy.



Globalisation Institute

A free-market trade and international development thinktank.



[The Henry Jackson Society](#)

A non-profit organisation that seeks to promote liberal democracy across the world.



[The Institute for Public Policy Research](#)

The IPPR rose out of the ashes of Labour's 1987 election defeat, aiming to invigorate leftwing thinking.



[Localis](#)

Provides a forum for the development of new ideas for local government.



[New Economics Foundation](#)

A 'think and do' tank seeking to improve quality of life by challenging mainstream thinking on economic, environmental and social issues.



[New Local Government Network](#)

Independent think-tank seeking to revitalise local political leadership and empower local communities.



[New Policy Institute](#)

A progressive thinktank specialising in producing evidence-based reports on a wide range of social and micro-economic problems, from school exclusion to taxation.



[New Politics Network](#)

An independent political and campaigning thinktank concerned with issues relating to democratic renewal and popular participation in politics.



Open Europe

An independent thinktank, Open Europe believes that the EU must embrace reform based on economic liberalisation, a more flexible structure, and greater transparency.



Policy Exchange

Small-government thinktank influential with Cameronite Tories.



Policy Network

An international thinktank dedicated to promoting progressive policies and the renewal of social democracy.



Politeia

Politeia's primary aim is to encourage debate about the place of the state in people's daily lives.



Reform

An independent, non-party, liberal thinktank which seeks to set out a better way to deliver public services and economic prosperity.



Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies

Promotes the study of selected national and international defence and security issues.



Social Market Foundation

Dry, clever, post-Thatcherite thinktank that attempts to combine market economics with social justice.



Young Fabians

The under-31s section of the Fabian Society encourages debate and political education within the wider Labour movement.