



European Summer Symposium in International Macroeconomics (ESSIM)

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Tarragona, Spain, 26/29 May 2004

Final Programme

Wednesday 26 May

09.00 – 09.30 **Opening Remarks**

José Luis Malo de Molina (General Director, Banco de

España)

Globalization

Discussant:

09.30 - 10.30 Globalization and Inflation: The Real Impact of

Openness on Prices

Natalie Chen (Warwick University and CEPR)
*Jean Imbs (London Business School and CEPR)
*Andrew Scott (London Business School and CEPR)
Fabio Canova (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and CEPR)

10.30 – 11.30 International Financial Adjustment

*Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas(University of California

Berkeley and CEPR)

*Hélène Rey (Princeton University and CEPR)

Discussant: Gian Maria Milesi-Ferretti (International Monetary Fund

and CEPR)

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee

Macroeconomic Theory

12.00 – 13.00 **Deep Habits**

*Morten Ravn (London Business School and CEPR)
*Stephanie Schmitt-Grohé (Duke University and

CEPR)

Martin Uribe (Duke University)

Discussant: Pierpaolo Benigno (New York University and CEPR)





13.00 – 14.00 On the Indeterminancy of New Keynesian

Economics

*Andreas Beyer (European Central Bank)

*Roger E A Farmer (University of California, Los

Angeles and CEPR)

Discussant: Stephanie Schmitt-Grohé (Duke University and CEPR)

14.00 – 15.30 Lunch

Parallel Sessions:

Session One: Capital Flows and Growth

16.00 – 17.00 Population Aging and International Capital Flows

David Domeij (Stockholm School of Economics)
*Martin Flodén (Stockholm School of Economics and

CEPR)

17.00 – 18.00 Crises and Growth: A Re-Evaluation

*Romain Ranciere (CREI and Universitat Pompeu

Fabra)

Aaron Tornell (UCLA and NBER)

Frank Westermann (University of Munich and Ceslfo)

Session Two: Inflation Persistence in the Euro Area

16.00 – 18.00 Inflation Persistence in the Euro Area

Introduction: Ignazio Angeloni (European Central Bank)

How Frequently do Prices Change? Evidence Based on the Micro Data Underlying the Belgian

CPI

*Luc Aucremanne (National Bank of Belgium)

Stylised Features of Price Setting Behaviour in

Portugal: 1992-2001

Pedro Neves (Banco de Portugal)

Inflation Persistence for the EU Countries, the Euro

Area and the US

Gregory Gadzinski (GREQAM, Université de la

Mediterranée)

*Fabrice Orlandi (European Central Bank)

Discussion: Michael Ehrmann (European Central Bank)

21.00 Dinner





Thursday 27 May

Discussant:

Labour and Macroeconomics

09.00 – 10.00 The Cross-Sectional Implications of Rising Wage

Inequality in the United States

*Jonathan Heathcote (Georgetown University)

*Kjetil Storesletten (University of Oslo and CEPR)
Giovanni L Violante (New York University and CEPR)

Alex Michaelides (London School of Economics and

CEPR)

10.00 – 11.00 Balanced Growth With Structural Change

*L.Rachel Ngai (London School of Economics)

*Christopher Pissarides (London School of Economics

and CEPR)

Discussant: Jaume Ventura (CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra and

CEPR)

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee

Monetary Policy

11.30 – 12.30 Inflation, Stabilization and Welfare: The Case of

Large Distortions

*Pierpaolo Benigno (New York University and CEPR)

*Michael Woodford (Princeton University)

Discussant: Andrew Scott (London Business School and CEPR)

12.30 – 13.30 The Decline of Activist Stabilization Policy: Natural

Rate Misperceptions, Learning, and Expectations
*Athanasios Orphanides (Board of Governors of the

Federal Reserve)

John Williams

Discussant: Alex Cukierman (Tel-Aviv University, CentER, Tilburg

University and CEPR)

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch

Parallel Sessions

Session One: Innovation and Growth

18.00 – 19.00 Innovations, Patent Races and Endogenous Growth

Joseph Zeira (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and

CEPR)

19.00 – 20.00 Globalization, Divergence and Stagnation

Gino Gancia (CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra)





Session Two: Macroeconomic Policy

18.00 – 19.00 **Does Central Bank Transparency Reduce Interest**

Rates

Sylvester Eijffinger (CentER Tilburg University and

CEPR)

*Petra M Geraats (University of Cambridge)

19.00 – 20.00 Welfare-Maximizing Interest Rate Rules, Asset

Prices and Credit Frictions

*Ester Faia (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

*Tommaso Monacelli (IGIER, Università Bocconi and

CEPR)

21.00 Dinner

Panel Discussion: Shall We Worry About Recent

Exchange Rate Developments?

Chair: Richard Portes (CEPR, London Business School, and

Columbia Business School)

Panelists: Enrique Alberola (Banco de España)

Giancarlo Corsetti (European University Institute,

Universita di Roma Tre and CEPR)

Andrew Scott (London Business School and CEPR)
Jaume Ventura (CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra and

CEPR)

Friday 28 May

Business Cycles

09.00 – 10.00 Bankruptcy Filings and Aggregate Fluctuations in

Growth Economies

Makoto Nakajima (University of Pennsylvania)

*José-Víctor Ríos-Rull (University of Pennsylvania and

CEPR)

Discussant: Roberto Perotti (IGIER, Universita' Bocconi and CEPR)

10.00 – 11.00 Political Budget Cycles in New Versus Established

Democracies

Adi Brender (Bank of Israel)

*Allan Drazen (University of Maryland, Tel Aviv

University and CEPR)

Discussant: Raquel Fernández (London School of Economics, New

York University and CEPR)

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee





International Risk Sharing

11.30 – 12.30 The International Diversification Puzzle Is Not As

Bad As You Think

Jonathan Heathcote (Georgetown University *Fabrizio Perri (New York University and CEPR)
Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan (University of Houston)

Discussant: Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan (University of Houston)

12.30 – 13.30 **Medium Term Business Cycles**

*Diego Comin (New York University) Mark Gertler (New York University)

Discussant: Fabio Canova (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and CEPR)

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch

Free Afternoon/Guided Tour

21.00 Dinner

Saturday 29 May

Incentives

09.30 – 10.30 Land Inequality and the Origin of Divergence and

Overtaking in the Growth Process: Theory and

Evidence

Oded Galor (Brown University and CEPR)

*Omer Moav (Hebrew University of Jerusalem and

CEPR)

Dietrich Vollrath (Brown University)

Discussant: Sergio Puente (Banco de España)

10.30 – 11.30 The Macroeconomics of Delegated Management

* Jean-Pierre Danthine (Université de Lausanne and

CEPR)

John Donaldson (Columbia University)
Dirk Niepelt (IIES, Stockholm University)

Discussant: Dirk Niepelt (IIES, Stockholm University)

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee

Exchange Rates

12.00 – 13.00 Expenditure Switching vs Real Exchange Rate

Stabilization: Conflicting Objectives for Exchange

Rate Policy

*Michael B Devereux (University of British Columbia

and CEPR)

Charles Engel (University of Wisconsin)

Discussant: Giancarlo Corsetti (European University Institute,

Universita di Roma Tre and CEPR)





13.00 – 14.00 Discrete Devaluations and Multiple Equilibria in a

First Generation Model of Currency Crisis

Fernando A Broner (CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

and University of Maryland)

Discussant: Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas (University of California

Berkeley and CEPR)

or

Hélène Rey (Princeton University and CEPR)

14.00 – 15.30 Lunch

Parallel Sessions

Session One: Commitments

18.00 – 19.00 Incomplete Fiscal Rules with Imperfect

Enforcement

*Florin Ovidiu Bilbiie (European University Institute)
David Stasavage (London School of Economics)

19.00 – 20.00 The Learning Cost of Interest Rate Reversals

Martin Ellison (University of Warwick and CEPR)

Session Two: Monetary Policy

18.00 – 19.00 Monetary Policy with Lexicographic Preference

Ordering

*John Driffill (Birkbeck College London and CEPR)

Zeno Rotondi (Capitalia)

19.00 – 20.00 Rule-of-Thumb Consumers and the Design of

Interest Rate Rules

Jordi Galí (CREI, Universitat Pompeu Fabra and

CEPR)

*J David López-Salido (Banco de España and CEPR)

Javier Vallés (Banco de España)

21.00 Dinner

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