

Business Cycles, Financial markets, and Monetary Policy

With Special Applications to China

August 30-31, Beijing, China

September 1-2 (post-conference activities, **Optional)**

Sponsors:

European Central Bank,
Tsinghua University,
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,
Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF),
Northwestern University, and
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Location:

SAIF Beijing,
2F, South Tower, Financial Street Center, 9 Financial Street, Beijing,
China.

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Summary:

- Opening and closing remarks: 15 minutes each.
- 10 papers: for each paper, 40-min presentation, 10-min discussion, and 10-min open-floor Q&As.
- Panel policy discussions: for each speaker, 20-min presentation and 20-min open-floor Q&As.
- All post-conference activities are open to all participants on a voluntary basis. Therefore, travel, hotel and personal expenses are not covered by the conference.

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

8:45-9:00am Opening Remarks
Chong-En Bai, Tsinghua University

Session 1: Growth in China
Chair: Bernd Schnatz, European Central Bank

9:00-10:00am Firm Entry and Regional Growth Disparities: the Effect of SOEs in China
Loren Brandt, University of Toronto
Gueorgui Kambourov, University of Toronto
Kjetil Storesletten, University of Oslo
Discussant:
Min Ouyang, Tsinghua University

10:00-10:15am ***Coffee Break *******

10:15-11:15am Institutional Foundations of China's Growth and Slowdown
Chong-En Bai, Tsinghua University
Chang-Tai Hsieh, University of Chicago
Zheng Song, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Discussant:
John Fernald, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

11:15-12:15pm The Making of an Economic Superpower-Unlocking China's Secret of Rapid Industrialization
Yi Wen, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Discussant:
Nancy Qian, Yale University

12:15-2:00pm *** Lunch *******
Keynote Speech
Klaus Masuch, European Central Bank
Structural reforms – A European perspective

Session 2: Monetary policy in China

Chair: **Qing Liu**, Tsinghua University

2:00-3:00pm China's Pro-Growth Monetary Policy and its Asymmetric Transmission

Kaiji Chen, Emory University

Patrick Higgins, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Daniel Waggoner, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Tao Zha, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Discussant:

Bing Li, Tsinghua University

3:00-4:00pm Reserve Requirements and Optimal Chinese Stabilization Policy

Chun Chang, Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance

Zheng Liu, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Mark Spiegel, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Jingyi Zhang, Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance

Discussant:

Alistair Dieppe, European Central Bank

4:00-4:15pm *** Coffee Break *******

Session 3: Income inequality in China

Chair: **Bing Li**, Tsinghua University

4:15-5:15pm Income and Consumption Inequality in China

Haiyan Ding, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

Hui He, International Monetary Fund

Discussant:

Lei Fang, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

7:00-9:00pm *** Dinner *******

Wednesday, August 31, 2016

Session 4: Financial Markets

Chair: Livio Stracca, European Central Bank

9:00-10:00am Empirical Determinants of Exchange Rates

Martin Eichenbaum, Northwestern University

Ben Johanssen, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

Sergio Rebelo, Northwestern University

Discussant:

Oreste Tristani, European Central Bank

10:00-11:00am Impact of Securitization on Commodity Price Volatility

Lawrence Christiano, Northwestern University

Discussant:

Anastasios Karantounias, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

11:00-11:15am *** Coffee Break *******

Session 5: The Economy at the Zero Lower Bound

Chair: Jun Liu, Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF)

11:15-12:15pm Capital Flows and Global Imbalances at the ZLB

Ricardo J. Caballero, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Emmanuel Farhi, Harvard University

Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas, University of California, Berkeley

Discussant:

Meixin Guo, Tsinghua University

12:15-2:00pm *** Lunch *******

Keynote Speech

Shang-Jin Wei, Asian Development Bank

Can China Transition to a More Innovative Economy?

Session 6: Banking and Credit

Chair: Jun Qian, Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF)

2:00-3:00pm Do Banks Pass Through Credit Expansions to Households that Want to Borrow?

Sumit Agarwal, National University of Singapore

Souphala Chomsisengphet, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Neale Mahoney, University of Chicago

Johannes Stroebe, New York University

Discussant:

Feng Dong, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

3:00-3:15pm *** Coffee Break *******

3:15-5:15pm Policy Panel Discussions: International Monetary Policy

Moderator:

Martin Eichenbaum, Northwestern University

Presentation: International Monetary Policy

Yudong Yao, Director of Research Department, People's Bank of China

Panelists:

Peter Praet Executive Board Member, European Central Bank

Presentation: Financial Cycles and Monetary Policy

Charles Evans President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Presentation: Are Low Monetary Policy Rates the New Normal?

Eric Rosengren President, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Presentation: Observations on Financial Stability Concerns for Monetary Policymakers

Yiping Huang, Member of Monetary Policy Committee, PBOC, Professor of Economics, Peking University

5:15-5:30pm Concluding Remarks

David Altig, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

7:00-9:00pm *** Dinner *******

Post-conference activities (optional)

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Thursday, September 1, 2016

Recent development and Challenge of China's Fin-tech and Payment System

- The purpose is to learn the consequences of the fast growing activities in China's internet banking, how China's regulators have dealt with them, and what are the next steps.
- These macro and financial issues have become increasingly important in China.

Location:

SAIF Beijing,
2F, South Tower, Financial Street Center, 9 Financial Street, Beijing, China.

Time: 9:00am – 2:30pm

Speakers:

Yudong Yao	Director of Research Department, People's Bank of China
Long Chen	Chief Strategist, Ant Financial Services Group (the Financial Arm of Alibaba)
Jinlao Huang	Executive Vice President, Suning Financial Group
Naisheng Yao	Vice President, JD Finance Co.,Ltd
Ye Zhou	CEO, ChinaPnR Co., Ltd
Jie Hu	Professor of Practice, Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance

Friday, September 2, 2016

Sightseeing in Beijing to understand the past and present of China, there are four alternatives:

- (1) Great Wall and Summer Palace;
- (2) National museum and Capital museum;
- (3) Tian'anmen Square, the Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven
- (4) Forbidden City, Water Cube and Bird Nest

Participants List (Alphabetical)

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