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Alternative Models for Monetary Policy Analysis

SNB Research Conference, 19-20 September, 2008, in Zurich

Preliminary Program

Thursday, 18 September

17:00-18:30

Welcome Reception

Restaurant Metropol, Boersenstrasse 10, Zurich (conference site)

Friday, 19 September

08:30-09:00

Registration and Coffee

Session 1: Shocks and monetary policy transmission

Chair: Samuel Reynard (Swiss National Bank)

09:00-10:20

News about technology, endogenous diffusion and economic fluctuations

Comin, Gertler, Santacreu

Discussants:

Christiano, Beaudry

10:20-10:50

Break

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- 10:50-12:10 Inflation and real activity with firm-level productivity shocks: a quantitative framework
Dotsey, King, Wolman
Discussants: Leahy, Laubach
- 12:30-14:00 **Lunch**
Session 2: Central banks, money and credit markets
Chair: Athanasios Orphanides (Central Bank of Cyprus)
- 14:00-15:20 Modeling Monetary Policy
Reynard, Schabert
Discussants: Schmitt-Grohe, Henderson
- 15:20-16:40 Insights from an Estimated Search-Based Monetary Model with Nominal Rigidities
Aruoba, Schorfheide
Discussants: Wolman, Christoffel
- 16:40-17:00 **Break**
- 17:00-18:20 Optimal Monetary Policy in a Model of the Credit Channel
De Fiore, Tristani
Discussants: Faia, Teles
- 19:00 **Dinner**
Zunfthaus zum Rüden, Limmatquai 42, Zurich
Introduction: Jean-Pierre Roth, Chairman of the Swiss National Bank
Speaker: Charles L. Evans (President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago)

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Saturday, 20 September

08:30-09:00

Coffee**Session 3:** Implications of alternative models for central bank communication

Chair: Marcel R. Savioz (Swiss National Bank)

09:00-10:20

Imperfect Central Bank Communication: Information versus Distraction

Dale, Orphanides, Österholm

Discussants: Svensson, Fratzscher

10:20-11:40

Are Central Banks' Forecasts Meaningful?

Gali

Discussants: West, Levin

11:40-12:00

Break

12:00-13:20

Monetary Policy Inclinations

Gersbach, Hahn

Discussants: Sveen, Jordan

13:30

Lunch