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Kristin J. Forbes to hold the 2024 Karl Brunner Distinguished Lecture

The Swiss National Bank has named Kristin J. Forbes as the next speaker for its Karl Brunner Distinguished Lecture Series. Kristin J. Forbes is Professor of Management and Global Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School of Management. She is one of the leading researchers in the field of international macroeconomics and the author of numerous influential publications on subjects such as global capital flows, contagion effects of financial crises, and macroprudential regulation.

Alongside her academic career, Kristin J. Forbes has held high-level advisory positions in the area of economic and monetary policy. She served as a member of the Council of Economic Advisers under George W. Bush and, from 2014 to 2017, as an external member of the Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee. In addition, she worked for the US Treasury Department and the World Bank. Currently, Kristin J. Forbes is a member of advisory committees at the International Monetary Fund, the Bank for International Settlements and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The eighth Karl Brunner Distinguished Lecture will be held at 5.30 pm on Thursday, 3 October 2024, in the Audi Max room at the ETH Zurich. The event will be open to the general public and requires no prior registration. The lecture will be conducted in English.

The Karl Brunner Distinguished Lecture Series was established by the SNB in 2016 to mark the centenary of the birth of the Swiss economist Karl Brunner (1916–1989). The lectures are given by academics whose research has proven to be particularly relevant to central bank monetary policy practice.