“THE NEW NORMAL: NAVIGATING A LOW-RATE ENVIRONMENT IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD”

As the U.S. reaches its new normal growth rate, the Federal Reserve is reviewing its monetary policy tools and framework to ensure it will continue to meet its goals going forward. At the same time, the global economic outlook remains mixed and many central banks have signaled that they will continue to provide policy accommodation to support ongoing growth. Financial supervisors continue to implement and evaluate the effects of reforms and address new and emerging vulnerabilities to the financial system. Policymakers are navigating these developments in a broader context that includes the ongoing challenges of geopolitical shifts, rapid changes in technology and increased cyber risks.

How can policymakers maintain a broad understanding of how the world is changing? What are the implications of these changes for central banks? Central Banking Seminar participants will compare and contrast current economic and financial developments across the world; discuss current trends in monetary policy and their implications for future growth; assess challenges and risks going forward.
Monday, October 14, 2019

INTRODUCTION

8:30-9:15  Registration and Breakfast
          33 Liberty Street, 12th floor Auditorium

9:15–9:45  Welcome Remarks
          Michael Schetzel, Senior Vice President and Head of International Affairs, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

9:45–10:45 Overview of the Federal Reserve System
            Elizabeth Mahoney, International Affairs Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

10:45-11:00  Break

PART I: CURRENT GLOBAL OUTLOOK AND TRENDS

These sessions are designed to provide an overview of the current global outlook and recent economic and financial market developments outside of the U.S. In addition, speakers will explore current factors in the policymaking environment and future trends.

Morning Session:

11:00-12:00  Global Economic and Market Developments
                Catherine Mann, Global Chief Economist, Citi

Luncheon:

12:15-2:00  Keynote Address
                The Economics of Global Aging
                Nathan Sheets, Chief Economist and Head of Macroeconomic Research, PGIM Fixed Income

Afternoon Session:

2:00-3:00  Small Group Discussions

3:00-3:30  Participant Feedback and Group Photo
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

PART II: UPDATE ON U.S. ECONOMY AND MONETARY POLICY

In the U.S., the Federal Reserve continues to consider issues related to the low-rate environment and a long-term monetary policy framework. This session will highlight financial and economic conditions across large economies and emerging markets followed by presentations on current U.S. economic and financial conditions, the monetary policy operating framework and associated challenges.

Morning Sessions:

8:00-8:30  Breakfast
12th floor Auditorium

8:30-9:30  Global Financial Stability Outlook
Carolyn Wilkins, Senior Deputy Governor, Bank of Canada (tbc)

9:30-10:45  Recent Developments in Large Economies
Philip Lane, Chief Economist, European Central Bank
Michael Patra, Executive Director, Reserve Bank of India
People’s Bank of China Senior Official

Moderator: Josh Frost, Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

10:45-11:15  Break

11:15-12:15  U.S. Economic Outlook
David Lucca, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Ellen Zentner, Chief Economist, Morgan Stanley

Moderator: Nina Boyarchenko, Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Luncheon:

12:30-2:00  Fireside Chat with John Williams
John Williams, President and Chief Executive Officer
Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Moderator: tbc
Afternoon Sessions

2:00-3:00  Recent Developments in U.S. Monetary Policy Implementation
Patricia Zobel, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

3:00-4:15  Emerging Market Perspectives
Alejandro Diaz de Leon, Governor, Banco de Mexico
Lesetja Kganyago, Governor, South African Reserve Bank (tbc)

Moderator: tbc

4:15-4:30  Participant Feedback

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

PART III: CURRENT AND FUTURE TRENDS AND RISKS

One of the challenges facing central bankers is how to better understand the current policymaking environment. Changes in global trade policy, the evolving nature of risk (including cyber risk), the pace of technological innovation and geopolitics are all significant factors. This session will explore some of the current and future trends and their implications for central bankers.

Morning Sessions:

8:15-9:00  Breakfast
12th floor Auditorium

9:00-10:00  Global Trade: A View from the Trump Administration
Andrew Olmem, Deputy Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and Deputy Director of the National Economic Council, The White House

10:00-11:00  A Conversation on Global Developments
Jamie Dimon, Chairman and CEO of JP Morgan

11:00-11:15  Break
11:15-12:15  Adam Tooze, Shelby Cullom Davis Chair of History, Columbia University  
Author, “Crashed: How a Decade of Financial Crises Changed the World”

Luncheon:

Keynote Address

12:30-2:00  Cyber Risks and Security  
Eric Rosenbach, Co-Director, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs  
Harvard University

Afternoon Sessions:

2:00-3:30  Central Bank Chief Operating Officer Roundtable  
Michael Strine, First Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York  
Joanna Place, Chief Operating Officer, Bank of England  
Lone Mortensen, Chief Operating Officer, Danmarks Nationalbank

Moderator: Josh Rosenberg, Executive Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

3:30-4:00  Break

4:00-5:00  A Macro Investor’s View of the Current Global Environment  
Fireside chat with Ray Dalio, Co-Chief Investment Officer and Co-Chairman of  
Bridgewater Associates, L.P.

Moderated by: Michael Schetzel, Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

4:30-4:45  Participant Feedback
Thursday, October 17, 2019

PART IV: FINANCIAL STABILITY AND PAYMENT SYSTEMS

Since the global financial crisis, central banks and supervisory authorities have focused on developing and strengthening international regulatory standards to increase banks’ resilience and further enhance global financial stability. Policymakers are also examining the implications of longer-run trends such as technological innovation, geopolitical shifts and climate change on financial stability. Speakers in this session will highlight recent developments in these areas and discuss efforts to manage and evaluate their impacts. This session will conclude with observations from a macro investor on current global developments.

Morning Sessions:

7:45-8:30  Breakfast
12th floor Auditorium

8:30-9:30  Update on the G-Zero World
Ian Bremmer, President, Eurasia Group

9:30-10:30  Learning, Adapting and Innovating in a Complex Policymaking Environment
Meg McConnell, Senior Vice President, Applied Critical Thinking Function
Federal Reserve Bank of New York

10:30-11:00  Break

11:00-12:15  Climate Change and the Role of Central Banks
Sarah Breeden, Executive Director, International Banks Supervision, Bank of England
Moderator: Michael Nelson, Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

12:30-2:00  Luncheon and Small Group Discussions
Liberty Dining Room
1st Floor
Afternoon Sessions:

2:00-3:00  **FedNow**
Nick Stanescu, Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Friday, October 18, 2019

V.  CENTRAL BANK COMMUNICATION

Communication remains an ongoing challenge for central bankers as they navigate a low-rate environment and review monetary policy frameworks. This closing session will explore these challenges and provide a media perspective on the components of a successful central bank communications strategy.

Morning Sessions:

9:15-10:00  **Breakfast**
12th floor Auditorium

10:00-11:15  **Central Bank Communications Panel: A Media Perspective**
Panelists: tbc

  Moderator: Suzanne Elio, Vice President and Head of Corporate Communications
Federal Reserve Bank of New York

11:15-12:00  **Seminar Feedback and Certificate Awards**