Workshop on “Fire Sales” as a Driver of Systemic Risk in Tri-Party Repo and Other Secured Funding Markets

October 4, 2013
Federal Reserve Bank of New York
33 Liberty Street
12th Floor Conference Center
New York, NY 10045

8:15 a.m.-9:00 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.-9:15 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks
Susan McLaughlin, Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

9:15 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  Introductory Remarks
William C. Dudley, President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  *Keynote Remarks:* The Problem of Fire Sales
Jeremy Stein, Governor, Federal Reserve Board

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  The Role of Institutional Investors in Propagating the Crisis of 2007-2008
Alberto Manconi, Tilburg University
Massimo Massa, INSEAD
Ayako Yasuda, University of California at Davis (presenter)

10:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.  Break

10:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.  Why Did Financial Institutions Sell RMBS at Fire Sale Prices during the Financial Crisis?
Craig B. Merrill, Brigham Young University
Taylor D. Nadauld, Brigham Young University
Shane M. Sherlund, Federal Reserve Board
René M. Stulz, Ohio State University, European Corporate Governance Institute, and National Bureau of Economic Research (presenter)

11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.  The Risk of Fire Sales in the Tri-Party Repo Market
Brian Begalle, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Antoine Martin, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York (presenter)
James McAndrews, Executive Vice President and Director of Research, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Susan McLaughlin, Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Fire-Sale Spillovers and Systemic Risk
Fernando Duarte, Financial Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Thomas Eisenbach, Financial Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York (presenter)

11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  A Proposal for the Resolution of Systemically Important Assets and Liabilities: The Case of the Repo Market
Viral Acharya, New York University, National Bureau of Economic Research, and Centre for Economic Policy Research (presenter)
Sabri Oncu, Centre for Advanced Research and Learning, Reserve Bank of India, and New York University

12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m.  Lunch
1st Floor, Liberty Room
1:45 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Thoughts on the Design of a TPR Utility-Based Clearing Service
Darrell Duffie, Stanford University

2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Panel on Pre-Default Fire Sales: Are There Ways to Reduce the Risk of Investor Runs in Tri-Party Repo as a Driver of Fire Sales?
Moderator: Sandy Krieger, Executive Vice President and Head of Risk Group, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Panelists: Patrick McCabe, Economist, Federal Reserve Board
Jeff Petro, Senior Vice President and Head of Money Market Trading, Federated Investors
James Slater, Executive Vice President, Global Collateral Services, Bank of New York Mellon
Chester Spatt, Pamela R. and Kenneth B. Dunn Professor of Finance, Carnegie Mellon University

3:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Panel on Post-Default Fire Sales: How Could a Process for Orderly Liquidation of Tri-Party Repo Collateral Be Put in Place as a Means to Avoid Fire Sales?
Moderator: Brian Begalle, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Panelists: John Fennell, Senior Vice President of Risk Management and Treasury Operations, Options Clearing Corporation
Seth Grosshandler, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP
Matt Leisen, Vice President – Corporate Treasury, Goldman Sachs
Murray Pozmanter, Managing Director of Equity and Fixed Income Clearing Services, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation
David Sayles, Managing Director, BlackRock

4:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Concluding Remarks
James McAndrews, Executive Vice President and Director of Research, Federal Reserve Bank of New York