





# Financial Crisis — models and policy responses

## **European Monetary Forum.**

Conference organized by Bank of Greece & European Monetary Forum.

### Athens, 30-31 March 2012

## **Conference Programme**

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March 30		
9.15 am	Welcoming remarks by Bank of Greece Deputy Governor Helen Louri-Dendrinou	
9.30	Can the Fed Talk the Hind Legs off the Stock Market? (presentation) Sylvester Eijffinger	
10.20	Institutions and Business Cycles Sumru Altug	
11.10	Coffee break	
11.40	A DSGE Model of Banks and Financial Intermediation with Default Risk Mike Wickens	
12.30 pm	Lunch	
1.40	The Transition Into Financial Crisis: Fundamentals, Path Dependence or Institutions? Arnab Bhattarcharjee	
2.30	Correlation and Contagion in Empirical Factor Models of Bank Credit Risk Mike Beenstock	
3.20	Tea break	
3.40	How Effective is Central Bank Forward Guidance? Clemens Kool and Daniel Thornton	
4.30	Monetary Policy and the Natural Rate of Interest Matthew Canzoneri	
5.20	The Determinants of Sovereign Bond Yield Spreads in the EMU Michael Arghyrou	
6.10	Panel on Sovereign Debt Crisis Dale Henderson, Manfred Neumann, Akos Valentinyi, Paul de Grauwe	

March 31	
8.45 am	Should There be a New Glass-Steagall? Parantap Basu
9.35	Fiscal Stimuli and Consolidations Paul Levine
10.25	Coffee break
10.45	The New Quarterly Model of the Greek Economy: the Components of Aggregate Demand Maria Albani, Zacharias Bragoudakis, Georgina Pavlou and Dimitris Sideris
11.30	Building a Financial Conditions Index for the Euro Area and Selected Euro Area Countries: What Does it Tell us about the Crisis? Eleni Angelopoulou, Hiona Balfoussia and Heather Gibson
12.10 pm	Was the Banking Crisis Caused by Banks? A Decomposition for US Data Vo Phuong Mai Le, David Meenagh and Patrick Minford
1.00	Lunch
2.00	Mispricing of Sovereign Risk and Multiple Equilibria in the Eurozone Paul de Grauwe
2.50	Variable Phillips Curves and Fluctuations in Inflation Casper de Vries
3.40	End of Proceedings

### **Rules of Engagement:**

The time allocated for each session includes author's presentation and discussion with participants (there will be no formal discussants) so it is really up to the author to maximise. For guidance authors might think in terms of taking half the time for exposition and the rest in discussion and response. Some may prefer to leave the discussion until they have finished presenting; others (the more normal case) may prefer to have the discussion as they go along.

**For the panel:** panellists should please keep opening remarks brief, to five minutes; then use their right of response to amplify their thoughts as needed.

#### **Participants**

Maria Albani, Bank of Greece

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Michael Arghyrou, Cardiff

Hiona Balfoussia, Bank of Greece

Parantap Basu, Durham

Mike Beenstock, Hebrew Univ of Jerusalem

Arnab Bhattacharjee, Dundee

Zacharias Bragoudakis, Bank of Greece

Matthew Canzoneri, Georgetown

James Davidson, Exeter Harris Dellas, Bern

Claire Economidou, Univ of Piraeus

Sylvester Eijffinger, Tilburg

Heather Gibson, Bank of Greece

Paul de Grauwe, Leuven
Dale Henderson, Georgetown

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Alex Kontonikas, Glasgow

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