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OMFIF Discussion with Lord (Adair) Turner, former Chairman, Financial Services Authority
6 January, Tokyo

A breakfast discussion with Lord (Adair) Turner, former member of the Bank of England’s Financial Policy Committee and former chairman of the Financial Services Authority. The discussion examines the interaction of monetary policy and macroprudential policy.

NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA INFORMATION TOUR

OMFIF Information tour
9-12 January, Auckland, Wellington, Melbourne and Sydney

A series of bilateral meetings in New Zealand and Australia. The delegation met with senior representatives from the New Zealand Superannuation Fund, New Zealand Treasury, New Zealand Debt Management Office, Reserve Bank of New Zealand, AustralianSuper, Future Fund and more.

MONETARY POLICY CHALLENGES DURING THE GREAT TRANSITION

OMFIF City Lecture with Veerathai Santiprabhob, Governor, Bank of Thailand
10 January, London

OMFIF holds a City Lecture with Veerathai Santiprabhob, governor of the Bank of Thailand with focuses on the economic outlook for Thailand and the Asia Pacific region, monetary policy, interest rates and the current macroeconomic environment.

DISCUSSION WITH VEERATHAI SANTIPRABHOB

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10 January, London

A lunch discussion with Thailand’s central bank governor, Veerathai Santiprabhob, on regional and global macroeconomic trends, the challenges associated with monetary policy and low yields, and the role of emerging markets for world growth.
Contributors to the OMFIF Press book, Trump – Curse or Cure?, discuss the political economy of the nascent Trump presidency one day prior to the inauguration. Lord (Meghnad) Desai, Desmond Lachman and other experts participate in the conversation.

OMFIF convenes a range of economic experts and asset managers to discuss recent macroeconomic, political and financial developments impacting public sector investment managers. Topics include divergence in currencies and yields, asset management and reserve asset adequacy.

OMFIF holds a City Lecture with Chris Salmon, executive director for markets at the Bank of England. Salmon is responsible for all Bank operations in financial markets, management of the Bank’s balance sheet and the UK’s official foreign exchange reserves on behalf of HM Treasury.

A dinner discussion with Chris Salmon, executive director for markets and former chief cashier of the Bank of England. The discussion focuses on monetary and financial stability, as well as underlying risks in the financial system and appropriate policy responses.
DISCUSSION WITH SIMON MCDONALD

OMFIF Discussion with Simon McDonald, Permanent Undersecretary, Foreign and Commonwealth Office
31 January, London

A lunch discussion with Simon McDonald, permanent undersecretary to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and former ambassador to Germany. The meeting focuses on Brexit, UK trade and inward investment, as well as other global political and economic developments.
A City Lecture with Felix Hufeld, president of Germany’s financial regulatory authority, BaFin. Key topics include capital and liquidity requirements, impact of regulation on banking profitability, moral hazards in the financial system, as well as financial integration in Germany and Europe.

A dinner discussion with Felix Hufeld, president of Germany’s federal financial supervisory authority, BaFin. The discussion examines financial supervision, regulation and cooperation in Germany, as well as the wider European banking supervision system.

Danae Kyriakopoulou, OMFIF’s head of research, and Ben Robinson, economist, provide a thorough investigation of Trump’s proposals on import tariffs, international trade agreements, infrastructure building and branding of trade partners as currency manipulators.

A discussion with Marek Belka, former prime minister of Poland and governor of the National Bank of Poland. The discussion focuses on the current economic, political and financial outlook for Europe, as well as prevailing challenges to monetary policy and financial stability.
An OMFIF City Lecture with Jon Cunliffe, deputy governor for financial stability at the Bank of England. Cunliffe’s responsibilities at the Bank include the supervision and oversight of financial market infrastructures, as well as the provision of emergency liquidity assistance.

A lunch discussion with Jon Cunliffe, deputy governor for financial stability at the Bank of England, regarding current policy challenges facing the Bank and its monetary policy, as well as financial regulation and supervision of the UK banking sector.
LAUNCH OF THE GLOBAL PUBLIC INVESTOR GENDER BALANCE INDEX
A launch and panel on International Women’s Day
8 March, London

OMFIF launches the Global Public Investor Gender Balance Index, a measure of female participation in central banking around the world. The launch includes a keynote presentation and panel discussion focussed on the findings of OMFIF’s survey and the role of women in central banking.

CHALLENGES FOR UK PENSIONS WHEN INVESTING IN CHINA
A series of bilateral meetings and roundtables for investors
9,10,13 March, London

Tony Tang, chief executive officer of China Asset Management Company and other experts on Chinese investment will discuss the opportunities and challenges for UK pensions when investing in China, best practice, investment trends and ideas in this interactive meeting series.

THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL OUTLOOK FOR GHANA
Discussion with Abdul-Nashiru Issahaku
14 March, London

A discussion with Abdul-Nashiru Issahaku, governor of the Bank of Ghana. The discussion focuses on the economic and financial outlook for Ghana, as well as prevailing challenges to Ghana’s banking system and monetary policy.

DEVELOPING CAPITAL MARKETS TO SUPPORT SUSTAINABLE GROWTH
Inaugural Asian Development Bank-OMFIF seminar
22 March, Tokyo

The inaugural Asian Development Bank-OMFIF seminar, held jointly with Takehiko Nakao, president of the Asian Development Bank examines best practice in emerging markets for strengthening financial stability and meeting the need for infrastructure development.
GROWTH, INVESTMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS IN GERMANY AND EUROPE

Seventh OMFIF Economists Meeting in Frankfurt
29 March, Frankfurt

The seventh OMFIF Economists Meeting in Europe convenes senior public and private sector economists and policy-makers in Frankfurt. The meeting focuses on the role and future of monetary policy in the euro area after Brexit, as well as other regional macroeconomic developments.

UPDATE ON THE US ECONOMY

OMFIF City Lecture with Charles Evans, President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
29 March, Frankfurt

A City Lecture with Charles Evans, president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, who is a 2017 voter on the Federal Open Market Committee. The lecture examines the outlook for US economy and monetary policy, as well as the macroeconomic environment.
IS ASIA BOUND TO FOLLOW THE ADVANCED ECONOMIES’ ‘NEW MEDIocre’?

Third annual Asean seminar, held jointly with Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
3 April, Cebu

OMFIF and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas convene a panel of industry practitioners to discuss economic developments in Asia. The meeting focuses on the future of Asean growth as well as macroeconomic trends for the Asia Pacific region and beyond.

MONETARY POLICY AND MACROECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR MEXICO

OMFIF Briefing with Javier Guzmán, Deputy Governor, Banco de México
3 April, London

A briefing with Javier Guzmán, deputy governor of the Banco de México. The discussion focuses on economic developments and prospects in Mexico, inflation rate targeting, divergent global monetary policy, as well as current macroeconomic challenges and opportunities.

POLICY RUPTURE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INVESTORS

The second annual SSGA–OMFIF roundtable
4-5 April, London

The second annual SSGA-OMFIF roundtable explores the challenges facing those that manage official assets, current and future trends in reserve management, global markets and financial stability. Dennis Lockhart, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, gives a keynote address.

PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE - REFLECTIONS ON AMERICAN MONETARY POLICY

OMFIF Discussion with Dennis Lockhart, former President, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
5 April, London

OMFIF honours Dennis Lockhart’s decade as president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. Lockhart, who became president of the Atlanta Fed just prior to the financial crisis, is widely credited as a pragmatic leader who made the Atlanta Fed a valuable public resource.

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OMFIF and the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at Queen Mary University London convene a meeting to discuss the impact of Brexit on central banking policy and legal reform in the UK, Europe and US. Topics include credit strains, central bank independence and economic uncertainty.
An OMFIF City Lecture with Claudio Borio, head of the monetary and economic department at the Bank for International Settlements. The lecture focuses on monetary and macroprudential policy, financial stability and the changing role of central banks.
DeLisle Worrell, governor of the Central Bank of Barbados, and OMFIF hold the second Main Meeting in Latin America and Caribbean. The meeting focuses on global policy and investment themes, including monetary policy, commodity prices, renewable energy, and infrastructure.

The second annual OMFIF-World Bank Treasury Reserves Advisory and Management Program meeting convenes senior public and private sector representatives to share best practice with central banks and sovereign funds from developing economies.
THE FUTURE OF EUROPE: A SCOTTISH PERSPECTIVE

OMFIF City Lecture with Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland
TBC, London

An OMFIF City Lecture with Nicola Sturgeon, first minister of Scotland and leader of the Scottish National Party. The lecture focuses on the economic and political impact of the UK’s decision to leave the EU, as well as the relevant challenges and opportunities for Scotland.

ECONOMISTS MEETING WITH THE ITALIAN TREASURY

Second OMFIF Economists Meeting with the Italian Treasury
TBC, Rome

This OMFIF Economists Meeting is held jointly with Vincenzo La Via, director general of the Italian Treasury. The meeting focuses on monetary policy, the Italian economy and financial stability, European debt and capital flows, as well as the future of Europe in a post-Brexit world.

THE ESM IN A CHANGING WORLD OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL BACKSTOP

OMFIF City Lecture with Klaus Regling, Managing Director,
European Stability Mechanism
TBC, London

An OMFIF City Lecture with Klaus Regling, managing director of the European Stability Mechanism and chief executive officer of the European Financial Stability Facility. The lecture examines sovereign debt, financial stability, fiscal consolidation and structural reform within the euro area.

MAIN MEETING AT THE SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY

Third OMFIF Main Meeting in the Middle East
TBC, Riyadh

The third OMFIF Main Meeting in the Middle East is held jointly with the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency. The meeting convenes senior representatives from public and private financial institutions to discuss monetary policy, financial stability and reserve management in the region and beyond.

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ROMANIA AND THE EURO AREA: DEVELOPING A ROADMAP

First OMFIF Economists Meeting with the National Bank of Romania
TBC, Bucharest

The first Economists Meeting held jointly with the National Bank of Romania brings public and private sector market participants together to discuss key macroeconomic developments affecting central and eastern Europe. Key topics include the growth of Romania’s banking sector.

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES TO THE MULTICURRENCY RESERVE SYSTEM

OMFIF City Lecture with Jaime Caruana, General Manager, Bank for International Settlements
TBC, London

An OMFIF City Lecture with Jaime Caruana, general manager of the Bank for International Settlements and former governor of the Banco de España. The briefing focuses on the challenges and issues facing the multicurrency reserve system.