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MONEY, CREDIT AND FIXING GLOBAL FINANCE

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 chair of the Financial Services Authority. The discussion examines the interaction of monetary policy and macroprudential policy.

NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA INFORMATION TOUR

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

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. The lecture 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

Discussion with Veerathai Santiprabhob, Governor, Bank of Thailand
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.
JANUARY (CONT.)

AMERICA ON THE EDGE

Telephone briefing on the Trump presidency
19 January

Contributors to the OMFIF report, ‘Trump: Curse or Cure?’, discuss the political economy of the nascent Trump presidency one day prior to the inauguration. Speakers include, Lord (Meghnad) Desai, Desmond Lachman and Marsha VandeBerg.

RISK AND YIELD MANAGEMENT FOR OFFICIAL ASSET MANAGERS IN A MULTICURRENCY SYSTEM

OMFIF-Amundi Investment Meeting
24 January, London

OMFIF and Amundi convene 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.

MARKET FUNCTIONING

City Lecture with Chris Salmon, Executive Director, Markets, Bank of England
24 January, London

OMFIF holds a City Lecture with Chris Salmon, executive director for markets at the Bank of England. The lecture focuses on the lessons learned about market functioning from the period immediately after the EU referendum, as well as the Bank’s corporate bond purchasing scheme.

DISCUSSION WITH CHRIS SALMON

Discussion with Chris Salmon, Executive Director, Markets, Bank of England
24 January, London

A dinner discussion with Chris Salmon, executive director for markets and former chief cashier of 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.

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DISCUSSION WITH SIMON MCDONALD

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.
FEBRUARY

FINANCIAL REGULATION – SCIENCE AND ART

City Lecture with Felix Hufeld, President, BaFin
1 February, London

A City Lecture with Felix Hufeld, president of Germany’s financial regulatory authority, BaFin. Key topics include capital and liquidity requirements, the impact of regulation on banking profitability, moral hazards in the financial system, and financial integration in Germany and Europe.

DISCUSSION WITH FELIX HUFELD

Discussion with Felix Hufeld, President, BaFin
1 February, London

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

TRUMP: CURSE OR CURE? ECONOMISTS WEBINAR

Webinar on the OMFIF report, ‘Trump: Curse or Cure?’
8 February

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

THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION OF POLAND & EUROPE: REFLECTIONS OF A CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR

Discussion with Marek Belka, former Governor, Narodowy Bank Polski
15 February, London

A discussion with Marek Belka, former prime minister of Poland and governor of the Narodowy Bank Polski. The discussion focuses on the current economic, political and financial outlook for Europe, as well as prevailing challenges to monetary policy and financial stability.
GLOBAL PIPES — CHALLENGES FOR SYSTEMIC FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE
City Lecture with Jon Cunliffe, Deputy Governor, Financial Stability, Bank of England
22 February, London

An OMFIF City Lecture with Jon Cunliffe, deputy governor for financial stability at the Bank of England, examining three challenges facing international financial market infrastructure: cyber risk, political risk and the regulation of cross border infrastructure.

DISCUSSION WITH JON CUNLIFFE
Discussion with Jon Cunliffe, Deputy Governor, Financial Stability, Bank of England
22 February, London

A lunch discussion 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.

CLIMATE-FRIENDLY INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
Discussion with Joaquim Levy, Managing Director, World Bank Group
24 February, London

Joaquim Levy, managing director and chief financial officer of the World Bank Group, examines how climate-friendly infrastructure investment can renew the globalisation agenda, creating a safer and more equitable world in the process.
MARCH

THE OUTLOOK FOR THE EURO, GERMANY AND EUROPE

Telephone Briefing with Hans Olaf Henkel, Member, European Parliament
7 March

A telephone briefing with Hans-Olaf Henkel, MEP and vice-chair of the European Conservatives and Reformists. The discussion focuses on the future of the euro, the outlook for Germany given the German elections, and the economic and political implications for Europe.

LAUNCH OF THE GLOBAL PUBLIC INVESTOR GENDER BALANCE INDEX

Launch and panel discussion 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.

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND INVESTMENT IN NIGERIA: THE ROLE PUBLIC SECTOR INVESTMENT INSTITUTIONS

Briefing with Chinelo Anohu-Amazu, Director-General, National Pension Commission
8 March, London

Chinelo Anohu-Amazu of the Nigerian National Pension Commission and Mthuli Ncube of Quantum Global discuss the challenges and opportunities for sustainable investment in Nigeria. The meeting also examines the benefits of co-investing with local public institutions.

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 discusses the opportunities and challenges for UK pensions when investing in China. This includes best practice, investment trends and ideas for co-investments.
MARCH (CONT.)

THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL OUTLOOK FOR GHANA
Discussion with Johnson Asiama, Raymond Amanfu, and Zakari Mumuni, Bank of Ghana
14 March, Singapore

A discussion with Bank of Ghana’s Johnson Asiama, deputy governor, Raymond Amanfu, director of banking supervision, and Zakari Mumuni, special assistant to the Governor, with a focus on the economic outlook for Ghana and challenges to its banking system and monetary policy.

BREXIT AND THE FUTURE OF TRADE POLICY IN ASIA AFTER TRUMP
Briefing with Yorizumi Watanabe, Professor, Keio University
14 March, London

A briefing on Japanese trade policies in the post-Brexit environment by Yorizumi Watanabe. Watanabe is former deputy director-general for economic affairs at Japan’s ministry of foreign affairs, and now professor of policy management at Keio University.

AHEAD OF THE FED: OMFIF TELEPHONE BRIEFING ON THE FOMC DECISION
Telephone briefing on the March FOMC announcements
15 March

A telephone briefing on the market reaction to the Federal Reserve’s March Federal Open Market Committee meeting. Speakers include, Chris Probyn of SSGA, Ebrahim Rahbari of Citi, and Frank Sansone of China Construction Bank.

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.
WHO MOVED MY INTEREST RATE?

City Lecture with Duvvuri Subbarao, former Governor, Reserve Bank of India
23 March, Tokyo

A discussion with Duvvuri Subbarao, former governor of the Reserve Bank of India. Subbarao expands on the views outlined in his book *Who Moved My Interest Rate?: Leading the Reserve Bank of India Through Five Turbulent Years.*

ADVISING THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT ON BREXIT AND TRADE ISSUES

Debate with Alexis Lautenberg and John Redwood
27 March, London

A Brexit debate between John Redwood, Conservative MP, and Alexis Lautenberg, former Swiss ambassador to the UK. The speakers focus on the advice the government is receiving on Brexit, trade, macroeconomic expectations and potential political ramifications.

THE STATE OF BRITAIN’S FINANCES

Discussion with Lord (Norman) Lamont former Chancellor of the Exchequer, HM Treasury
27 March, London

A lunch discussion with Lord (Norman) Lamont, former UK chancellor of the exchequer between 1990 - 93. The discussion focuses on the state of Britain’s finances and the economic outlook for the UK in 2017.

GROWTH, INVESTMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS IN GERMANY AND EUROPE

Seventh 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 economic developments.
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 the 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 Association of Southeast Asian Nations growth as well as macroeconomic trends for the Asia Pacific region and beyond.

MONETARY POLICY AND MACROECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR MEXICO

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.

ABENOMICS AND THE OUTLOOK FOR JAPAN’S ECONOMY

Discussion with Akinari Horii, former Assistant Governor, Bank of Japan
3 April, London

Akinari Horii, former assistant governor of the Bank of Japan up to 2010, discusses the perspectives for Japanese growth in the coming years, Japanese monetary policy, Abenomics and the general position of world financial markets.

POLICY RUPTURE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INVESTORS

Second annual SSGA-OMFIF roundtable
4-5 April, London

The second annual SSGA-OMFIF roundtable explores the challenges facing managers of 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.
A dinner discussion to honour 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.

A discussion with Dominique Moïsi, Founder and Senior Adviser at the French Institute for International Relations. The meeting focuses on the implications of the French presidential elections and the consequences for French politics, Anglo-French relations, Brexit and the future of Europe.

City Lecture with Canadian Finance Minister Bill Morneau, in which he discusses Canada’s policy priorities to promote inclusive growth and build an economy that works for all citizens, as well as elements of his 22 March budget.

A lunch discussion with Bill Morneau, Canada’s minister of finance, about the new national budget. Additional topics include economic policy, in the US under the Trump administration, and Canada’s free trade agreements with the EU.
UK AND GERMANY: ON THE CUSP OF A NEW RELATIONSHIP

Discussion with Joachim Wuermeling, Member, Executive Board, Deutsche Bundesbank
18 April, London

A discussion with Joachim Wuermeling, member of the board at the Deutsche Bundesbank, who is directorate responsible for the general markets and information technology. Topics include the economic, financial and political implications of the UK’s decision to leave EU.

MODERNISING CHINA

Discussion with Alfred Schipke, Senior Resident Representative for China, International Monetary Fund; and Raphael Lam, Resident Representative, International Monetary Fund
18 April, Singapore

A breakfast discussion with the IMF’s Alfred Schipke and Raphael Lam on China’s economic transformation. The discussion focuses on issues crucial to the country’s transformation, such as state-owned enterprise reform, capital account liberalisation and renminbi internationalisation.

THE FUTURE OF THE FED, REGULATION AND THE IMPACT ON GLOBAL BANKING

OMFIF-MGI Discussion
20 April, Washington

A joint OMFIF and McKinsey Global Institute roundtable on the effects of monetary policy and regulation on cross-border capital flows in the era of Trump and Brexit. Speakers include Sebastian Mallaby, Lord (Adair) Turner and Nathan Sheets.

FINANCIAL REGULATION: THE WAY FORWARD

City Lecture with Ravi Menon, Managing Director, Monetary Authority of Singapore
20 April, Washington

Ravi Menon, Managing Director of the Monetary Authority of Singapore, gives a City Lecture on the effects and effectiveness of post-crisis international regulatory reforms, positioning regulation for technological innovation, as well as fintech and cybersecurity.
The Renminbi Liaison Network provides an information hub to build knowledge and improve practices in dealing with the renminbi. This meeting focuses on the outlook for China’s growth and global trade, as well as developments in renminbi internationalisation and market regulation.

CHINA’S GROWTH OUTLOOK: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

OMFIF-RLN Policy Meeting
25 April, London

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BRITAIN, EUROPE AND THE CHANGING WORLD

Telephone briefing on the UK and French elections
27 April

A telephone briefing with Philippe Lagayette and Lorenzo Codogno analysing the first round of the French presidential elections, the implications for the second round of votes on 7 May, and the first week since Theresa May triggered the snap UK general election.
A telephone briefing with Lord (Meghnad) Desai and a panel of speakers on his e-book, Trump: The first one hundred days. The discussion focuses on monetary and fiscal policy, immigration and trade, and the state of the economy that Trump inherited.
GLOBAL SHOCKS AND RISK TO FINANCIAL STABILITY IN ASIA

Briefing with Hans Genberg, Executive Director, South East Asian Central Banks Research and Training Centre
17 May, London

Hans Genberg, executive director of the South East Asian Central Banks Research and Training Centre, presents his findings from a recent report entitled ‘Global shocks and risk to financial stability in Asia’. The presentation is followed by a moderated discussion with participants.

THE DUTCH ECONOMY AND EUROPE’S PATH TO ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Briefing with Klaas Knot, Governor, De Nederlandsche Bank
25 May, London

A roundtable briefing with Klass Knot, governor of the Dutch central bank, analysing the role of monetary policy in the euro area’s recovery, including issues related to interest rates and tapering, and the impact of the UK’s withdrawal from the EU on the Dutch economy.

THE NEW ECONOMY OF THE DOLLAR

OMFI-DZ BANK Seminar
30 May, Singapore

OMFIF convenes a panel of speakers to examine the future of the dollar in the international monetary system. The meeting focuses on the dollar’s role as the world’s primary reserve currency, the future of the multicurrency reserve system, and macroeconomic implications for official asset managers.


OMFIF-Seacen policy meeting
31 May, Kuala Lumpur

A joint policy dialogue meeting convened by OMFIF and the South East Asian Central Banks Research and Training Centre at Sasana Kijang. The meeting focuses on the future of the dollar and the renminbi in the international monetary system, including for reserve management.
CHINA AND THE WORLD

OMFIF-People’s Bank of China School of Finance Policy Meeting
3-4 June, Beijing

Co-organised jointly by OMFIF and the People’s Bank of China School of Finance at Tsinghua University, the forum focuses on the new thinking, trends and practices on China’s financial issues, the global financial system and financial innovation.

CHINA’S DEBT DYNAMICS

City Lecture with Lord (Adair) Turner, former Chairman, Financial Services Authority
5 June, Beijing

OMFIF convenes a City Lecture with Lord (Adair) Turner, chair of the Institute for New Economic Thinking and former chair of the Financial Services Authority. The lecture focuses on the latest Chinese debt dynamics and the broader global debt picture.

AHEAD OF THE FED: 14 JUNE FOMC MEETING

Telephone Briefing on the June FOMC announcement
14 June

Telephone briefing on the Federal Open Market Committee’s June announcement on the US interest rate, to include a comparison with the interest rates of the ECB and Bank of England and a discussion on the impact of Trump’s economic policies on the American economy.

GLOBAL TRADE, GREEN FINANCE, GROWTH ECONOMICS

Launch of the fourth annual Global Public Investor
14 June, London

Global Public Investor 2017 is devoted to public sector asset ownership and management around the world. The launch features a presentation of the key findings and panel discussion with Jean-Paul Villain of Adia, Joel Prohin of CDC, and Ilmars Rimsevics, governor of the Bank of Latvia.

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OMFIF and the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at Queen Mary University of 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.

**OMFIF-CCLS Policy Meeting**

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**US ECONOMIC GROWTH AND MONETARY POLICY**

City Lecture with James Bullard, President, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

29 June, London

City Lecture with St. Louis Fed President James Bullard, who discusses the Fed’s monetary policy decisions and the overall economic picture for the US. Bullard has noted he believes the US is in a low-inflation, low-growth regime that is unlikely to change soon.

**CHILEAN MONETARY POLICY IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT**

OMFIF-LSE discussion with Mario Marcel, Governor, Banco Central de Chile

30 June, London

OMFIF and the London School of Economics and Political Science hold a breakfast discussion with Mario Marcel, governor of the Banco Central de Chile. The discussion examines monetary policy and interest rate targeting in Chile, as well as the impact of tightening US monetary policy on Latin America.
JULY

OUTLOOK FOR GROWTH, STRUCTURAL REFORMS AND INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT IN UKRAINE

Briefing with Oleksandr Danylyuk, Minister of Finance in Ukraine
6 July, London

A roundtable briefing with Oleksandr Danylyuk, minister of finance of Ukraine. The briefing focuses the economic situation in Ukraine, including prospects for growth, structural reforms, and the potential for international investment.

CENTRAL BANKS, DIGITAL CURRENCIES AND MONETARY POLICY IN THE TIMES OF ELASTIC MONEY

Briefing with Mojmír Hampl, Vice Governor, Czech National Bank
11 July, London

Mojmír Hampl, vice governor of the Czech National Bank, gives the first in a series of roundtable meetings focusing on central banks and digital currencies. The briefing examines best practices and the potential for global standards, as well as the relevant risks and benefits.

GREEN BOND ISSUANCE AND OTHER FORMS OF LOW-CARBON FINANCE

OMFIF, Bank for International Settlements and the German Ministry of Finance
13 July, Frankfurt

OMFIF is convening a range of finance professionals from the public and private sectors to discuss how Global Public Investors from around the world can join forces to combat climate change, with a particular emphasis on investment policies and regulation.

ASSESSING THE DESIGN OF FISCAL POLICY IN THE EURO AREA

Briefing with Niels Thygesen, Chair, European Fiscal Board
18 July, London

A roundtable briefing with Niels Thygesen, chair of the European Fiscal Board and previously a member of the Delors committee from 1988-89. The meeting follows the release of the European Fiscal Board’s first report, entitled ‘Assessment of the prospective fiscal stance appropriate for the euro area’.

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A roundtable briefing with William Cash, Conservative member of parliament for Stone. A prominent eurosceptic, Cash founded the Maastricht Referendum Campaign. He served as vice president of the Conservatives for Britain. The briefing focuses on the UK's withdrawal process from the European Union.

A discussion with Mohd Munir Majid, chair of Asean Business Club and visiting senior fellow at LSE IDEAS. The discussion focuses on the drivers of integration in Asean and its role in improving macroeconomic and financial stability.
A breakfast roundtable discussion with Perry Warjiyo, deputy governor of Bank Indonesia. The meeting focuses on the growth prospects of the Indonesian economy, monetary and macroprudential policy, as well as plans for structural reforms.

A discussion with Yasuyuki Sawada, chief economist at the Asian Development Bank. Infrastructure investment, Asia’s demographic transition and the risks of sustained growth slowdowns will be among the themes discussed.
SEPTMBER

FUTURE OF EUROPE: LABOUR’S PERSPECTIVE
Discussion with John McDonnell, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer
6 September, London

A breakfast roundtable discussion with John McDonnell, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer. The discussion will focus on the UK’s process of withdrawing from the EU, the negotiations and the future relationship between the UK and the Europe.

UNWINDING CENTRAL BANK BALANCE SHEETS:
IMPLICATIONS FOR LIQUIDITY AND MONETARY POLICY
Briefing with Manmohan Singh, Senior Financial Economist, International Monetary Fund
7 September, London

Manmohan Singh, senior financial economist at the International Monetary Fund, gives a briefing on the implications of unwinding of central bank balance sheets after years of quantitative easing. This includes questions surrounding monetary policy, collateral reuse and a reduction in banking system deposits.

DIGITAL CURRENCIES AND CENTRAL BANKING
Briefing with Hiromi Yamaoka, Director General, Payments and Settlements Systems Department, Bank of Japan
13 September, London

A briefing with Hiromi Yamaoka, director general at the Bank of Japan, as part of the series on central banks and digital currencies. The briefing focuses on the benefits and risks of central bank issued digital currencies, including the potential for using decentralised ledger technology to clear and settle payments.

SIX DAYS IN SEPTEMBER
Launch of Six Days in September: How Britain lost the reserves and saved the economy.
15 September, London

A seminar and book launch of Six Days in September: How Britain lost the reserves and saved the economy. The fifth publication by OMFIF Press, authored by William Keegan, David Marsh and Richard Roberts. Speakers include Lord (Terry) Burns, Jacques de Larosière, Sir Tom Scholar and Sir Paul Tucker.
THE UK’S PROCESS OF WITHDRAWAL FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION

Briefing with Hilary Benn, Labour MP for Leeds Central
18 September, London

Hilary Benn, Labour MP for Leeds Central since 1999. He is the Chair of the Exiting the European Union Select Committee. He served in the cabinet 2003-10 and in Labour shadow cabinets 2010-16 most recently as Shadow Foreign Secretary.

HOW CAN WE ESCAPE THE DEBT TRAP?

Discussion with Charles Goodhart, Director, Financial Regulation Research Programme, London School of Economics and Political Science
19 September, London

Charles Goodhart, emeritus professor at the London School of Economics and Political Science, examines the global debt crisis. The lunch discussion focuses on the conditions that led to the build-up of debt since 2008, as well as risks to the global financial system and options for deleveraging.

FROM BITCOIN TO DIGITAL CENTRAL BANK MONEY: STILL A LONG WAY TO GO

Discussion with Carl-Ludwig Thiele, Member of the Executive Board, Bundesbank
20 September, London

A roundtable discussion with Carl-Ludwig Thiele, member of Deutsche Bundesbank’s executive board, and Jochen Metzger, the bank’s head of payments and settlement systems. The meeting examines how central banks are approaching the development of digital currencies.

SECURITIES MARKET, REGULATION, AND EUROPEAN FINANCIAL STABILITY

Briefing with Verena Ross, Executive director, ESMA
20 September, London

ESMA is an independent EU authority whose purpose is to improve investor protection and promote stable, orderly financial markets. Discussion will focus on financial stability and investment management in Europe post Brexit, implementation of MiFid II and managing risks from financial innovation.

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SEPTMBER (CONT.)

CHALLENGES TO MONETARY POLICY: WHAT’S NEXT?

City Lecture with Claudio Borio, head, monetary and economic department, Bank for International Settlements
22 September, London

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.

DISCUSSION WITH CLAUDIO BORIO

Discussion with Claudio Borio, head of the monetary and economic department at the Bank for International Settlements.
22 September, London

A lunch discussion with Claudio Borio, head of the monetary and economic department at the Bank for International Settlements. The discussion focuses on the implications of monetary policy in a low interest rate environment.

REGULATING FINANCIAL SERVICES: CHANGING TIDES

City Lecture with Andrew Bailey, Chief Executive Officer, Financial Conduct Authority
29 September, London

OMFIF City Lecture with Andrew Bailey, chief executive officer at the Financial Conduct Authority. The lecture will focus on how regulation and supervision has changed since the 2008 financial crisis, the challenges and benefits posed by fintech, and the future relationship between Europe and the UK.

DISCUSSION WITH ANDREW BAILEY

Discussion with, Andrew Bailey, Chief Executive Officer at the Financial Conduct Authority
29 September, London

A lunch discussion with Andrew Bailey, chief executive officer of the Financial Conduct Authority. The discussion focuses on the changing role of regulators and supervisors, and the implications of the UK’s decision to leave the EU.
GROWTH AND INTEGRATION IN THE EURO AREA

Briefing with Jan Smets, Governor, National Bank of Belgium
29 September, London

A roundtable briefing with Jan Smets, governor of the National Bank of Belgium. The meeting examines the European Central Bank’s role in promoting euro area growth, further integration of monetary union, digital currencies and their impact on monetary policy, as well as UK-Belgium trade relations post-Brexit.
LONG-TERM GROWTH AND BANKING REFORM IN SPAIN AND EUROPE

Second Banco de España-OMFIF Economists Meeting
3 October, Madrid

This is the second Economists Meeting hosted by Banco de España in Madrid. Key topics for discussion include, the outlook for the Spanish economy and the euro area, the optimal monetary and fiscal policy mix for growth, and reforming the European banking system.

CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCIES – A SOLUTION WITHOUT A PROBLEM?

Discussion with Hugo Frey Jensen, Governor, Danmarks Nationalbank
30 October, London

A breakfast discussion with Hugo Frey Jensen, governor of the Danish central bank, about the challenges and opportunities associated with developing the e-krone. The discussion also examines the potential applications for decentralised ledger technology and digital currencies more broadly.
OMFIF at the IMF-WBG Annual Meetings 2017
October, Washington

COPING WITH EXTERNAL FACTORS
12 OCTOBER
OMFIF-RAMP breakfast panel
A meeting examining how global headwinds and tailwinds impact official asset and reserve managers, with a keynote from Arunma Oteh, treasurer and vice president of the World Bank. Speakers include Per Callesen, governor of Danmarks Nationalbank.

ASSESSING THE RESILIENCE OF EMERGING MARKET ECONOMIES
12 OCTOBER
OMFIF-Barings panel discussion
Speakers include Viral Acharya, deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India, Murat Çetinkaya, governor of the Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey, and Javier Guzmán Calafell, deputy governor of the Banco de México.

CO-OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF OPEN FINANCIAL MARKETS
12 OCTOBER
OMFIF-HSBC-Toronto Centre roundtable
A roundtable discussion on the importance of post-financial crisis co-operation and mutual trust for maintaining open financial markets. The meeting considers the challenges facing emerging markets in the supervision of financial institutions.

AFRICA CAPITAL MARKETS INDEX
13 OCTOBER
OMFIF-Barclays Africa Group Ltd report launch
The Africa Capital Markets Index records the openness of countries across the continent to foreign investment. The launch presents the report’s findings, followed by a panel discussion and moderated Q&A. Speakers include Jingdong Hua, vice president and treasurer of IFC.

US–EUROPEAN RELATIONS IN THE AGE OF ‘AMERICA FIRST’
13 OCTOBER
OMFIF-American Enterprise Institute panel discussion
A panel of speakers discusses the evolving US relationship with Europe. Themes include the realignment of global free trade, as well as trans-Atlantic financial co-operation and regulation. Speakers include Marek Belka, former prime minister of Poland.

GERMANY, FRANCE, BRITAIN AND THE NEW EUROPE
14 OCTOBER
OMFIF-DZ BANK breakfast panel
A panel of speakers discusses the future relationships between France, Germany and the UK. Topics include the future of the euro and euro clearing, the Macron era and the UK’s Brexit negotiations. Speakers include Kalin Anev Janse, secretary general of the European Stability Mechanism.

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STRATEGIES FOR GROWTH IN AUSTRIA AND EUROPE

City Lecture with Ewald Nowotny, Governor, Oesterreichische Nationalbank
3 November, London

A City Lecture with Ewald Nowotny, governor of the Austrian central bank, focusing on the European Central Bank’s role in the euro area recovery, prospects for deeper euro area integration, and the impact of monetary and fiscal policy on strengthening the Austrian economy.

DISCUSSION WITH EWALD NOWOTNY

Discussion with Ewald Nowotny, Governor, Oesterreichische Nationalbank
3 November, London

A lunch discussion with Ewald Nowotny, governor of Austria’s central bank and a member of the European Central Bank’s governing council. The discussion focuses on the ECB’s policies on strengthening the euro area economy and on the future of monetary union integration.

THE ROLE OF CHINA IN THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM

OMFIF-International Monetary Institute Policy Meeting
19 November, Beijing

A joint policy meeting organised by OMFIF and the International Monetary Institute to discuss progress in China’s capital account liberalisation, renminbi use in cross-border trade, approaches to enhancing the financial transaction function of the renminbi, and developments in clearing and settlement.

A NEW PHASE OF MONETARY POLICY

OMFIF-Japan Center for Economic Research Policy Meeting
22 November, Tokyo

A joint policy meeting convened by OMFIF and the Japan Center for Economic Research. The meeting discusses the progress of Abenomics, the outlook for global trade, Japan’s structural reforms, and regional geopolitical dynamics.
THE FUTURE OF EUROPE: A SCOTTISH PERSPECTIVE
City Lecture with Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland
TBC, London

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 post-Brexit.

THE ESM IN A CHANGING WORLD OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL BACKSTOPS
City Lecture with Klaus Regling, Managing Director, European Stability Mechanism
TBC, London

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.

ROMANIA AND THE EURO AREA: DEVELOPING A ROADMAP
First OMFIF Economists Meeting with the National Bank of Romania
TBC, Bucharest

The first OMFIF 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.

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OVERCOMING CHALLENGES TO THE MULTICURRENCY RESERVE SYSTEM

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

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.