

THE BECKER FRIEDMAN INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN ECONOMICS,
AND THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF CHICAGO PRESENT:

Fiscal Policy Under Fiscal Imbalance November 18 - 19, 2011

Organizers: **Marco Bassetto** (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago)
Thomas J. Sargent (New York University)

Friday, Nov. 18: University of Chicago Law School Auditorium
1111 East 60th Street, Chicago

Saturday, Nov. 19: The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 3rd Floor Auditorium
230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago
Attendees must be registered and bring photo ID to attend.

Friday, November 18 (University Of Chicago Law School Auditorium)

12:00 – 12:55 pm **Lunch (South Green Lounge, Law School)**

12:55 – 1:00 pm **Welcome Remarks by Lars Peter Hansen**

1:00 – 2:00 pm **Optimal Fiscal Policy with Long Bonds**
Elisa Faraglia (University of Cambridge)
Discussant: **Mikhail Golosov** (MIT)

2:00 – 3:00 pm **Bond Price Movements and Fiscal Insurance**
Sevin Yeltekin (Carnegie Mellon University)
Discussant: **Emmanuel Farhi** (Harvard University)

3:00 – 3:30 pm **Break**

3:30 – 4:30 pm **Fiscal Policy and Unemployment**
Stephen Coate (Cornell University)
Discussant: **Marco Bassetto** (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago)

4:30 – 5:30 pm **Fiscal Policy in Debt-Constrained Economies**
Manuel Amador (Stanford University)
Discussant: **Marco Battaglini** (Princeton University)

Saturday, November 19 (Chicago Fed, 3rd Floor Auditorium)
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8:30 – 9:00 am **Continental Breakfast**

9:00 - 10:00 am **Fiscal Reform and Government Debt in Japan: A Neoclassical Perspective**
Selahattin Imrohorglu (University of Southern California)

Discussant: **Richard Rogerson** (Princeton University)

10:00 – 11:00 am **Credit Policy as Fiscal Policy**
Deborah Lucas (MIT)

Discussant: **Lars Peter Hansen** (University of Chicago)

11:00 – 11:30 am **Break**

11:30 am – 12:30 pm **Clearing Up the Fiscal Multiplier Morass**
Eric Leeper (Indiana University)

Discussant: **Tim Cogley** (New York University)

12:30 – 1:30 pm **Lunch**
Charlie Evans (President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago) will offer a toast to the Nobel laureates

1:30 – 2:30 pm **Managing a Liquidity Trap: Monetary and Fiscal Policy**
Ivan Werning (MIT)

Discussant: **Karel Mertens** (Cornell University)

2:30 – 4:00 pm **Panel: The Fiscal Theory of the Price Level and Its Implications for Current Policy in the United States and Europe**
Moderator: Thomas Sargent (New York University)

V.V. Chari (University of Minnesota)
John Cochrane (University of Chicago)
Chris Sims (Princeton University)

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