

Macro, Money and International Finance

Villa Mondragone · Monte Porzio Catone, Rome

May 18–19, 2026

Organizers: Andrey Alexandrov, Markus Brunnermeier, Goutham Gopalakrishna, Sebastian Merkel

Monday, May 18, 2026

9:00 – 9:30 AM · Registration & Welcome Coffee

9:30 – 11:00 AM · Fiscal Policy & Price Stability

- *“Fiscal Policy as a Monetary Anchor”*
Presenter: Joseph Abadi (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia)
Discussion leader: Wei Cui (University College London)
- *“Fiscal Threats to Price Stability When Households are not Ricardian”*
Presenter: Stéphane Dupraz (Banque de France), joint with Anna Rogantini Picco
Discussion leader: Piotr Żoch (University of Warsaw)

11:00 – 11:20 AM · Coffee Break

11:20 AM – 12:50 PM · Intermediation and International Finance

- *“Bank Regulation and Financial Resilience”*
Presenter: Goutham Gopalakrishna (University of Toronto), joint with Markus Brunnermeier and Sebastian Merkel
Discussion leader: Paymon Khorrami (Duke Fuqua School of Business)
- *“Intermediary Constraints and International Safe Asset Premia”*
Presenter: Xitong Hui (Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen), joint with Chang He
Discussion leader: Cosimo Petracchi (Tor Vergata University of Rome)

12:50 – 2:20 PM · Lunch & PhD Poster Session

- *“Fiscal Insurance”*
Presenter: Filippo Cavaleri (University of Chicago)
- *“Taming Black Swans: Monetary Policy in the Presence of Tail Risks”*
Presenter: C. Christopher Hyland (University of Oxford)
- *“Our Deficit, Your Problem: Fiscal Sustainability, Exchange Rates, and Inflation”*
Presenter: Tobias Kawalec (University of Oxford), joint with C. Christopher Hyland
- *“Negative Bond-Stock Beta and Positive Term Spread”*
Presenter: Federico Marciano (Stanford University)

2:20 – 3:50 PM · Quantitative Easing & Asset Markets

- *“Optimal Asset Market Operations”*
Presenter: Yu-ting Chiang (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis), joint with Piotr Żoch
Discussion leader: Pietro Reichlin (LUISS)
- *“Quantitative Easing and Government Debt Sustainability”*
Presenter: Wenhao Li (USC Marshall), joint with Sebastian Merkel
Discussion leader: Magnus Irie (Princeton University)

7:30 PM · Conference Dinner

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

9:00 – 11:15 AM · Money, Credit and Macroeconomic Dynamics

- “*Money and Credit in Continuous Time*”
Presenter: Fabrizio Mattesini (University of Rome Tor Vergata), joint with Katia Colaneri and Matteo Duca
Discussion leader: Alejandro Van der Ghote (European Central Bank)
- “*Escaping Uncertainty Traps*”
Presenter: Fernando Mendo (PUC-Rio), joint with Paymon Khorrami
Discussion leader: Sebastian Merkel (University of Bristol)
- “*Dynamic Investment and Product Market Rivalry*”
Presenter: Bruno Pellegrino (Columbia University), joint with Maria Cecilia Bustamante
Discussion leader: Luigi Paciello (EIEF)

11:15 – 11:35 AM · Coffee Break

11:35 AM – 1:05 PM · Information & Asset Pricing

- “*Dynamic Efficiency With Private Information*”
Presenter: Jean-Charles Rochet (Toulouse School of Economics), joint with Bruno Biais, Hans Gersbach and Stéphane Villeneuve
Discussion leader: Gaetano Bloise (Tor Vergata University of Rome)
- “*Asset Pricing with Heterogeneous Agents under Limited Information*”
Presenter: Riccardo Cioffi (Paris School of Economics), joint with Samuel Hurtado and Galo Nuño
Discussion leader: Michael Reiter (Institute for Advanced Studies)

1:05 – 2:20 PM · Lunch

2:20 – 3:50 PM · Term Structure & Financial Conditions

- “*The New Keynesian Term Structure of Interest Rates*”
Presenter: Olaf Posch (Universität Hamburg)
Discussion leader: Paolo Varraso (Tor Vergata University of Rome)
- “*Financial Conditions in the Real Yield Curve*”
Presenter: Andres Schneider (Federal Reserve Board)
Discussion leader: Andrey Alexandrov (Tor Vergata University of Rome)