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The St. Louis Fed, joint with Tsinghua University, Beijing, is organizing the 3rd annual conference on "Monetary Policy in a Global Setting: China and the United States," to be held at Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, April 8-9, 2015. Our goal is to get together some top academic economists, policy makers from the People's Bank of China and the Federal Reserve system to discuss monetary policy issues relevant to the current global economic situation. We will have a set of papers presented, with discussants, over the 2-day conference, and a panel discussion by central bankers.

Program

9:50-10:20

2. James Bullard (CEO and President of St. Louis Fed)

Q&A: 10:20-10:25

10:25-10:55

3. Jun Ma (PBoC Chief Economist)

Q&A: 10:55-11:00

11:00-11:30

4. Christopher Waller (Research Director, St. Louis Fed)

Q&A: 11:30-11:35

Afternoon Session (45 minutes for presenters, 10 minutes for discussants, and 5 minutes for Q&A)

1:30-2:1₅

1. Saki Bigio, Columbia University, "A Monetary Theory of Liquidity Traps"

2:15-2:25

Discussant: Jonathan Chiu, Bank of Canada

Q&A: 2:25-2:30

2:30-3:15

2. Todd Keister, Rutgers University, "Liquidity Regulation and the Implementation of Monetary Policy."

3:15-3:25

Discussant: Chris Waller (Research Director, St. Louis Fed)

Q&A: 3:25-3:30

3:45

Q&A: 5:40-5:45

April 9 (8:40am-5:30pm, Moderator: Yi Wen)

8:40-9:25

5. Steve Williamson, St. Louis Fed, "Scarcity of Safe Assets, Inflation, and the Policy Trap."

9:25-9:35

Discussant: Yang Lu, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

Q&A: 9:35-9:40

9:50-10:35

6. Francesco Lippi, Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, "Robust implications of menu cost models"

10:35-10:45

Discussant: Nicholas Trachter, Richmond Fed

Q&A: 10:45-10:50

10:50-11:35

7. Saroj Bhattarai, University of Texas Austin, "International Effects of Quantitative Easing on Emerging Market Economies"

11:35-11:45

Discussant: Paolo Pesenti, New York Fed

Q&A: 11:45-11:50

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