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# LEADING ECONOMISTS AND POLICYMAKERS TO DISCUSS ONGOING IMPACT OF THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS AT THE LEVY ECONOMICS INSTITUTE'S 20TH ANNUAL HYMAN P. MINSKY CONFERENCE, IN NEW YORK CITY, APRIL 13–15

NEW YORK, N.Y.— From April 13 to 15, the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College will gather top policymakers, economists, and analysts at the 20th Annual Hyman P. Minsky Conference on the State of the U.S. and World Economies to discuss the ongoing effects of the global financial crisis on the real economy and examine proposed and recently enacted policy responses. The conference, "Financial Reform and the Real Economy," is being organized by the Levy Institute with support from the Ford Foundation, and will take place on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, April 13–15, at the Ford Foundation's headquarters, 320 East 43 Street in New York City.

Participants include Charles L. Evans, president and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Charles I. Plosser, president and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia; Phil Angelides, chairman, Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission; Sheila C. Bair, chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Vítor Constâncio, vice president, European Central Bank; Paul Tucker, deputy governor for financial stability, Bank of England; Mercedes Marco Del Pont, president, Central Bank of Argentina; Gary Gensler, chairman, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Andrew Sheng, chief adviser, China Banking Regulatory Commission, and professor, Tsinghua University; **Arturo O'Connell**, senior adviser to the board of governors, Central Bank of Argentina; Athanasios Orphanides, governor, Central Bank of Cyprus, and member, European Central Bank Governing Council; Richard S. Berner, managing director and chief U.S. economist, Morgan Stanley; Peter Hooper, managing director and chief economist, Deutsche Bank Securities; Paul McCulley, former Managing Director, PIMCO, and chairman, Global Society of Fellows, Global Interdependence Center; Louis Uchitelle, economics writer, The New York Times; Francesco Guerrera, U.S. finance and business editor, Financial Times; John Cassidy, financial writer, The New Yorker; Joe Nocera, oped columnist, The New York Times; Justin Lahart, economics reporter, The Wall Street Journal; Eric Dash, banking writer, The New York Times; Roger Lowenstein, contributing writer, The New York Times, and author, The End of Wall Street; and Stephen S. Roach, non-executive chairman of Asia, Morgan Stanley, and professor, Yale University.

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The conference will address the ongoing effects of the global financial crisis on the real economy, and examine proposed and recently enacted policy responses. Issues and questions participants will discuss include, Should ending too-big-to-fail be the cornerstone of reform? Do the markets' pursuit of selfinterest generate real societal benefits? Is financial sector growth actually good for the real economy? Will the 2010 U.S. financial reform bill make the entire financial system, not only the banks, safer? The conference will include presentations by **James K. Galbraith**, Levy Economics Institute and University of Texas at Austin; Jan Kregel, Levy Institute and Tallinn Technical University; Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, president, Levy Institute; Marshall Auerback, Levy Institute and The Roosevelt Institute; José M. Gabilondo, Florida International University; Martin Mayer, The Brookings Institution; Gary B. Gorton, Yale University and National Bureau of Economic Research; William H. Janeway, Warburg Pincus; Robert A. Johnson, Institute for New Economic Thinking; Michael Greenberger, The University of Maryland; Robert W. Parenteau, Levy Institute and MacroStrategy Edge; L. Randall Wray, Levy Institute and University of Missouri–Kansas City; Michael W. Masters, Masters Capital Management, LLC; Alex J. Pollock, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research; Philip Suttle, The Institute of International Finance; Steve Randy Waldman, Interfluidity.com; Lori M. Wallach, Global Trade Watch, Public Citizen; and Jeff Madrick, Challenge, The Roosevelt Institute, and Bernard Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, The New School.

The **Levy Economics Institute of Bard College**, founded in 1986 through the generous support of the late Bard College trustee Leon Levy, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, public policy research organization. The Institute is independent of any political or other affiliation, and encourages diversity of opinion in the examination of economic policy issues while striving to transform ideological arguments into informed debate.

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### **Preliminary conference program:**

20th Annual Hyman P. Minsky Conference on the State of the U.S. and World Economies Financial Reform and the Real Economy

## Wednesday, April 13

8:00–9:00 a.m. BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

9:00–9:30 a.m. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Leonardo Burlamaqui, Program Officer, Ford Foundation

Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, President, Levy Institute

9:30-11:00 a.m. SESSION 1 THE FORD-LEVY INSTITUTE PROJECT ON REREGULATING

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND MARKETS

SPEAKERS: Jan Kregel, Senior Scholar, Levy Institute, and Professor, Tallinn

Technical University

L. Randall Wray, Senior Scholar, Levy Institute, and Professor,

University of Missouri–Kansas City

Éric Tymoigne, Research Associate, Levy Institute, and Professor,

Lewis and Clark College

**11:00–11:15 a.m.** COFFEE BREAK

11:15 a.m.-1:00 p.m. SESSION 2 FINANCIAL JOURNALISM AND FINANCIAL REFORM:

WHAT'S MISSING FROM THE HEADLINES?

MODERATOR: John Cassidy, Financial writer, The New Yorker

SPEAKERS: Jeff Madrick, Editor, Challenge, Senior Fellow, Roosevelt Institute, and

Senior Fellow, Bernard Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis,

The New School

**Joe Nocera**, *Op-ed columnist*, The New York Times

Francesco Guerrera, U.S. finance and business editor, Financial Times

Steve Randy Waldman, Interfluidity.com

**1:00–2:45 p.m.** LUNCH

SPEAKER: Gary Gensler, Chairman, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading

Commission

2:45–3:45 p.m. SPEAKER: Stephen S. Roach, Non-Executive Chairman of Asia, Morgan Stanley,

and Professor, Yale University

**3:45–4:00 p.m.** COFFEE BREAK

4:00–5:00 p.m. SESSION 3 SWAPS REGULATION

MODERATOR: Justin Lahart, Economics reporter, The Wall Street Journal

SPEAKERS: **José Gabilondo**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor,

College of Law, Florida International University

Michael Greenberger, Professor, School of Law, and Director, Center

for Health and Homeland Security, The University of Maryland

Michael W. Masters, Managing Member / Portfolio Manager, Masters

Capital Management, LLC

**5:00 p.m.** RECEPTION and DINNER

SPEAKER: **Paul A. McCulley**, Chairman, Global Society of Fellows; formerly

Managing Director, PIMCO

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## Thursday, April 14

8:30-9:00 a.m. BREAKFAST

9:00–10:15 a.m. SPEAKER: Andrew Sheng, Chief Adviser, China Banking Regulatory Commission,

and Professor, Tsinghua University

10:15–11:15 a.m. SESSION 4 FINANCIAL REFORM AND THE GATS: CHALLENGES AND

**OPPORTUNITIES** 

MODERATOR: Roger Lowenstein, Contributing writer, The New York Times,

and author, The End of Wall Street

SPEAKERS: William H. Janeway, Managing Director and Senior Advisor, Warburg

Pincus, and Chairman, Board of Trustees, Cambridge in America Philip Suttle, Deputy Managing Director and Chief Economist, The

Institute of International Finance

Lori M. Wallach, Director, Global Trade Watch, Public Citizen

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. SPEAKER: Phil Angelides, Chairman, Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission

**12:30–2:15 p.m.** LUNCH

SPEAKER: Charles I. Plosser, President and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of

Philadelphia

2:15–3:30 p.m. SESSION 5 FISCAL CONSTRAINTS AND MACRO PERSPECTIVES

MODERATOR: Louis Uchitelle, Economics writer for The New York Times and other

publications

SPEAKERS: **Richard Berner**, Managing Director, Co-Head of Global Economics,

and Chief U.S. Economist, Morgan Stanley

Peter Hooper, Managing Director and Chief Economist, Deutsche Bank

Securities

Robert W. Parenteau, Research Associate, Levy Institute, and Sole

Proprietor, MacroStrategy Edge

Marshall Auerback, Research Associate, Levy Institute, and Senior

Fellow, Roosevelt Institute

**3:30–4:30 p.m.** SPEAKER: Gary B. Gorton, Professor, Yale University, and Research Associate,

National Bureau of Economic Research

4:45–6:15 p.m. POLICY AND REGULATORY RESPONSES OF EMERGING MARKETS:

**LATIN AMERICA** 

SPEAKER: Mercedes Marco Del Pont, President, Central Bank of Argentina

DISCUSSION: Arturo O'Connell, Senior Advisor to the Board of Governors, Central

Bank of Argentina

**6:15 p.m.** RECEPTION and DINNER

SPEAKER: **Paul Tucker**, Deputy Governor, Financial Stability, Bank of England

Friday, April 15

**8:30–9:00 a.m.** BREAKFAST

**9:00–10:00 a.m.** SPEAKER: **Athanasios Orphanides,** Governor, Central Bank of Cyprus, and

Member, Governing Council, European Central Bank

10:00–11:00 a.m. SPEAKER: Charles L. Evans, President and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of

Chicago

**11:00–11:15 a.m.** COFFEE BREAK

11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. SPEAKER: Vítor Constâncio, Vice President, European Central Bank

**12:15–2:30 p.m.** LUNCH

SPEAKER: Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

2:30–3:45 p.m. SESSION 6 REREGULATING THE U.S. FINANCIAL SYSTEM: BEYOND

**DODD-FRANK** 

MODERATOR: Eric Dash, Banking writer, The New York Times

SPEAKERS: **James K. Galbraith**, Senior Scholar, Levy Institute, and Lloyd M.

Bentsen Jr. Chair, University of Texas at Austin

**Robert A. Johnson**, Executive Director, Institute for New Economic

**Thinking** 

**Alex J. Pollock**, Resident Fellow, American Enterprise Institute for

Public Policy Research

**3:45–4:15 p.m.** SPEAKER: **Martin Mayer**, Guest Scholar, The Brookings Institution

**4:15–5:15 p.m.** RECEPTION

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