

CReMFi – EMF WORKSHOP

Friday 15th May at 14.00

Arts 2 Building, Room 3.20, QMUL Mile End Campus

“Macroeconomic Forecasting: does current academic research have any useful lessons for professional forecasters?”

The Centre for Research in Macroeconomics and Finance (CReMFi) at the School of Economics and Finance in Queen Mary, and the Economic Modelling and Forecasting (EMF) Group at Warwick Business School (WBS) are organizing the workshop which aims to gather macroeconomic forecasters from government institutions, the City and academia to discuss practices and methods for macroeconomic forecasting.

In addition to presentations from both CReMFi and EMF/WBS members on their innovative approaches to popularize state-of-art macroeconomic forecasting models and methods, the workshop will include an academic paper by Prof. Massimiliano Marcellino (Bocconi). The workshop will end with a round table of practitioners and academics on “the Future of Macroeconomic Forecasting”.

Schedule:

14:00 – 14:45 – Disseminating State-of-Art Forecasting Methods: the WBS forecasting System and comparemacroforecasts.org website.

14:45-15:30 – Prof. Massimiliano Marcellino (Bocconi): “Nowcasting economic conditions: an international comparison”.

Tea Break – refreshments served in the ground floor foyer.

15:50-17:00 – Round Table on the Future of Macroeconomic Forecasting, coordinated by Prof. Martin Weale (BoE/QMUL) and with participation of Prof. James Mitchell (Warwick), Mr. Tom Pybus (Office for Budget Responsibility), Simon Price (Bank of England).

Reception (wine + canapés) served in the Foyer.

Organisers: Ana Galvao Ferreira (WBS), Haroon Mumtaz (QMUL), George Kapetanios (QMUL)

To reserve a place please contact Elizabeth Price (e.a.price@qmul.ac.uk) by noon on Thursday 14th May