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Essays on Inflation and Indexation

This report evaluates the IMF's economic research activities and whether they contribute successfully to the objectives of the organisation. It considers five basic issues central to the research process which relate to: organisational structure, culture, incentives and accountability, resource allocation and dissemination. The report concludes that there is room for improvement, and makes a number of recommendations which include setting priorities for research activities, and improving incentives and accountability in the research process.

The Inflation-Targeting Debate

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity: Spring 2008

This is the first comprehensive study in the context of EMDEs that covers, in one consistent framework, the evolution and global and domestic drivers of inflation, the role of expectations, exchange rate pass-through and policy implications. In addition, the report analyzes inflation and monetary policy related challenges in LICs. The report documents three major findings: In First, EMDE disinflation over the past four decades was to a significant degree a result of favorable external developments, pointing to the risk of rising EMDE inflation if global inflation were to increase. In particular, the decline in EMDE inflation has been supported by broad-based global disinflation amid rapid international trade and financial integration and the disruption caused by the global financial crisis. While domestic factors continue to be the main drivers of short-term movements in EMDE inflation, the role of global factors has risen by one-half between the 1970s and the 2000s. On average, global shocks, especially oil price swings and global demand shocks have accounted for more than one-quarter of domestic inflation variatio--and more in countries with stronger global linkages and greater reliance on commodity imports. In LICs, global food and energy price shocks accounted for another 12 percent of core inflation variatio--half more than in advanced economies and one-fifth more than in non-LIC EMDEs. Second, inflation expectations continue to be less well-anchored in EMDEs than in advanced economies, although a move to inflation targeting and

better fiscal frameworks has helped strengthen monetary policy credibility. Lower monetary policy credibility and exchange rate flexibility have also been associated with higher pass-through of exchange rate shocks into domestic inflation in the event of global shocks, which have accounted for half of EMDE exchange rate variation. Third, in part because of poorly anchored inflation expectations, the transmission of global commodity price shocks to domestic LIC inflation (combined with unintended consequences of other government policies) can have material implications for poverty: the global food price spikes in 2010-11 tipped roughly 8 million people into poverty.

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity

Publisher Description

Productivity Growth, Inflation, and Unemployment

While there is ample evidence that high inflation is harmful, little is known about how best to reduce inflation or how far it should be reduced. In this volume, sixteen distinguished economists analyze the appropriateness of low inflation as a goal for monetary policy and discuss possible strategies for reducing inflation. Section I discusses the consequences of inflation. These papers analyze inflation's impact on the tax system, labor market flexibility, equilibrium unemployment, and the public's sense of well-being. Section II considers the obstacles

facing central bankers in achieving low inflation. These papers study the precision of estimates of equilibrium unemployment, the sources of the high inflation of the 1970s, and the use of non-traditional indicators in policy formation. The papers in section III consider how institutions can be designed to promote successful monetary policy, and the importance of institutions to the performance of policy in the United States, Germany, and other countries. This timely volume should be read by anyone who studies or conducts monetary policy.

Handbook of Monetary Policy

This paper empirically investigates the monetary impact of banking crises in Chile, Colombia, Denmark, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, and Uruguay during 1975-98. Cointegration analysis and error correction modeling are used to research two issues: (i) whether money demand stability is threatened by banking crises; and (ii) whether crises lead to structural breaks in the relation between monetary indicators and prices. Overall, no systematic evidence that banking crises cause money demand instability is found. The paper also analyzes inflation targeting in the context of the IMF-supported adjustment programs.

Cosmological Inflation and Large-Scale Structure

The Great Inflation

Papers and Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the American Economic Association

Controlling inflation is among the most important objectives of economic policy. By maintaining price stability, policy makers are able to reduce uncertainty, improve price-monitoring mechanisms, and facilitate more efficient planning and allocation of resources, thereby raising productivity. This volume focuses on understanding the causes of the Great Inflation of the 1970s and '80s, which saw rising inflation in many nations, and which propelled interest rates across the developing world into the double digits. In the decades since, the immediate cause of the period's rise in inflation has been the subject of considerable debate. Among the areas of contention are the role of monetary policy in driving inflation and the implications this had both for policy design and for evaluating the performance of those who set the policy. Here, contributors map monetary policy from the 1960s to the present, shedding light on the ways in which the lessons of the Great Inflation were absorbed and applied to today's global and increasingly complex economic environment.

"La Caixa" Economic Papers

The Brookings Papers on Economic Activity, long one of Brookings's signature publications, has new leadership. The three incoming editors have all made outstanding contributions to economic research, economic policymaking, and the communication of

economic ideas to a broad audience. They will ensure that BPEA continues to be a central meeting place for leading scholars analyzing important economic problems. The new editorial team will retain BPEA's focus on empirical research of current issues in macroeconomics and economic policy, emphasizing real-world events and institutions. The journal will uphold its tradition of excellence in areas such as fiscal and monetary policy, labor markets, wages and prices, the distribution of income and wealth, international capital flows, and international trade and development.

Background Paper on Impact of Inflation on Retired Persons

A thorough and up-to-date graduate textbook on the most promising theory of the universe - inflationary cosmology.

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Handbook of Monetary and Fiscal Policy

Over the past fifteen years, a significant number of industrialized and middle-income countries have adopted inflation targeting as a framework for monetary policymaking. As the name suggests, in such inflation-targeting regimes, the central bank is responsible for achieving a publicly announced target for the inflation rate. While the objective of controlling inflation enjoys wide support among both academic

experts and policymakers, and while the countries that have followed this model have generally experienced good macroeconomic outcomes, many important questions about inflation targeting remain. In *Inflation Targeting*, a distinguished group of contributors explores the many underexamined dimensions of inflation targeting—its potential, its successes, and its limitations—from both a theoretical and an empirical standpoint, and for both developed and emerging economies. The volume opens with a discussion of the optimal formulation of inflation-targeting policy and continues with a debate about the desirability of such a model for the United States. The concluding chapters discuss the special problems of inflation targeting in emerging markets, including the Czech Republic, Poland, and Hungary.

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity: Fall 2009

Determinants of Inflation in the Euro Area

"This is the most comprehensive and authoritative account of the great German inflation from 1914 to 1923." - Henry Hazlitt As an Austrian study of hyperinflation, this study has never been surpassed. The same is true of the detailed examination of the rise of hyperinflation in Germany in the interwar period: there is not anything more authoritative. It is a huge study, 466 pages, with a fantastic amount of data and statistical analytics. But the narrative too is

very exciting and infused with a thoroughly Austrian understanding of the impact of dramatic monetary expansion. It affects not only prices but also capital structures, political events, and the structure of society itself. Hitler did not emerge in a vacuum. Bresciani-Turroni covers the essential prehistory of a world-wide calamity. This volume is thorough, authoritative, and riveting in every respect - the achievement of a lifetime to last the ages.

IMF Staff Papers, Volume 49, No. 3, 2002

Inflation is regarded by the many as a menace that damages business and can only make life worse for households. Keeping it low depends critically on ensuring that firms and workers expect it to be low. So expectations of inflation are a key influence on national economic welfare. This collection pulls together a galaxy of world experts (including Roy Batchelor, Richard Curtin and Staffan Linden) on inflation expectations to debate different aspects of the issues involved. The main focus of the volume is on likely inflation developments. A number of factors have led practitioners and academic observers of monetary policy to place increasing emphasis recently on inflation expectations. One is the spread of inflation targeting, invented in New Zealand over 15 years ago, but now encompassing many important economies including Brazil, Canada, Israel and Great Britain. Even more significantly, the European Central Bank, the Bank of Japan and the United States Federal Bank are the leading members of another group of monetary institutions all considering or implementing

moves in the same direction. A second is the large reduction in actual inflation that has been observed in most countries over the past decade or so. These considerations underscore the critical - and largely underrecognized - importance of inflation expectations. They emphasize the importance of the issues, and the great need for a volume that offers a clear, systematic treatment of them. This book, under the steely editorship of Peter Sinclair, should prove very important for policy makers and monetary economists alike.

Inflation Expectations

Inflation in Emerging and Developing Economies

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity: Spring 2009

This paper explores sources of the output collapse in Russia during transition. A modified growth-accounting framework is developed that takes into account changes in factor utilization that are typical of the transition process. The results indicate that declines in factor inputs and productivity were both important determinants of the output fall. The paper analyzes the behavior of real commodity prices over the 1862-1999 progress. It also examines whether average stocks of health and education are converging across countries, and calculates the speed

of their convergence using data from 84 countries for 1970-90.

Papers and Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

Recent literature suggests that long-run averages of growth and inflation are only weakly correlated and such correlation is not robust to exclusion of extreme inflation observations; inclusion of time series panel data has improved matters, but an aggregate parametric approach remains inconclusive. We propose a nonparametric definition of high inflation crises as periods when inflation is above 40 percent annually. Excluding countries with high inflation crises, we find no evidence of any consistent relationship between growth and inflation at any frequency. However, we find that growth falls sharply during discrete high inflation crises, then recovers surprisingly strongly after inflation falls. The fall in growth during crisis and recovery of growth after crisis tend to average out to close to zero (even slightly above zero), hence the lack of a robust cross-section correlation. Our findings could be consistent either with trend stationarity of output, in which inflation crises are purely cyclical phenomena, or with models in which crises have a favorable long-run purgative effect. Our findings do not support the view that reduction of high inflation carries heavy short-to-medium run output costs.

Background paper on impact of inflation on retired persons

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Reducing Inflation

The Inflation-Targeting Debate

This Treatise On Inflation Accounting Provides A Detailed Treatment Of Concepts And Techniques Of Inflation Accounting. It Gives A Clear Understanding Of Accounting Data And Their Limitations During Inflation. In This Context, An Attempt Is Made To Underline The Importance Of Inflation Accounting With Particular Reference To A Case Study Of Selected Units.

Paper-money Inflation in France

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity (BPEA) provides academic and business economists, government officials, and members of the financial and business communities with timely research on current economic issues. Contents: Editors' Summary Heeding Daedalus: Optimal Inflation and the Zero Lower Bound By John C. Williams The Age of Reason: Financial Decisions over the Life Cycle and Implications for Regulation By Sumit Agarwal, John C. Driscoll, and Xavier Gabaix Interpreting the Unconventional U.S. Monetary Policy of 2007-09 By Ricardo Reis By How Much Does GDP Rise If the Government Buys More Output? By Robert E. Hall When the North Last Headed South: Revisiting the 2930s By Carmen M. Reinhart and Vincent R. Reinhart

What You Should Know about Inflation

Examines the politics of economic policy, focusing on forecasting, inflation, interest rates, market

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Inflation Crises and Long-run Growth

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Essays on Exchange Rate-based Stabilization and Inflation Convergence

This first issue of Volume 51 for 2004 includes a new paper by Peter B. Clark and Jacques J. Polak, along with a tribute from the Editor to Mr. Polak in honor of his 90th birthday. This issue also launches a new featured section, "Data Issues," which will be devoted in future issues to on-going discussions of the latest in econometric and statistical tools for economists, data puzzles, and other related topics of interest to researchers.

Economic Adjustment and Reform in Low-Income Countries (ESAF Review

Background Papers)

While inflation differentials in a monetary union can be benign, reflecting a catch-up process, or an adjustment mechanism to asymmetric shocks or different business cycles, they may also indicate distortions related to inefficiencies in domestic product and labor markets that amplify or make more persistent the impact of shocks on inflation. The paper examines the determinants of inflation differentials in the euro area, with emphasis on the role of country specific labor and product market institutions. The analysis uses a traditional backward-looking Phillips curve equation and augments it to explore the role of collective bargaining systems, union density, employment protection, and product market regulation. The model is estimated over a panel dataset of 10 euro area countries over the period 1983-2007. Results show that high employment protection, intermediate coordination of collective bargaining, and high union density increase the persistence of inflation. Oil and raw materials price shocks are also more likely to be accommodated by wage increases when the degree of coordination in collective bargaining is intermediate. These results are robust to different estimation methods, model specifications, and outliers. The paper suggests that reforming labor market institutions may improve the functioning of the euro area by reducing the risk of persistent inflation differentials.

Economics of Inflation

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Brookings Papers on Economic Activity, 2000

The Enhanced Structural Adjustment Facility (ESAF) is the centerpiece of the International Monetary Fund's strategy to provide assistance on concessional terms to low-income member countries that are undertaking important macroeconomic adjustment and structural reforms. By February 1999, a total of SDR 7 billion (about US\$9 billion) had been distributed under 79 ESAF arrangements to 51 developing countries. Edited by Hugh Bredenkamp and Susan Schadler, this volume features internal IMF staff assessments of the ESAF and provides an historical account of policies implemented and outcomes achieved under ESAF-supported programs.

Inflation News and Euro Area Inflation Expectations

Do euro area inflation expectations remain well-anchored? This paper finds that the protracted period of low (and below-target) inflation in the euro area since 2013 has weakened their anchoring. Testing their sensitivity to inflation and macroeconomic news, this paper expands existing results in two key dimensions. First, by analyzing all available (advanced) inflation releases. Second, the reactions of expectations are investigated at daily, time-varying and intraday frequency regressions to add robustness to our conclusions. Results point to a significant impact of inflation news over recent years that had not been observed before in the euro area.

Inflation

Papers and Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States

Research Activities of the International Monetary Fund, January 1991-December 1999

This volume presents the latest thoughts of a brilliant group of young economists on one of the most persistent economic problems facing the United

States and the world, inflation. Rather than attempting an encyclopedic effort or offering specific policy recommendations, the contributors have emphasized the diagnosis of problems and the description of events that economists most thoroughly understand. Reflecting a dozen diverse views—many of which challenge established orthodoxy—they illuminate the economic and political processes involved in this important issue.

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity 1999

Published twice year, BPEA offers authoritative, in-depth research on economic development for economists, government officials, and members of the financial and business communities. For nearly thirty years, BPEA has been an indispensable source for scholars and policymakers seeking objective analysis of major macroeconomic issues. Contents include: " Raising the Speed Limit: U.S. Economic Growth in the Information Age." Dale W. Jorgenson and Kevin J. Stiroh " Roots of the Recent Recoveries: Labor Reforms or Private Sector Forces?" Jean-Paul Fitoussi, David Jestaz, Edmund S. Phelps, and Gylfi Zoega " Near-Rational Wage and Price Setting and the Optimal Rates of Inflation and Unemployment." George A. Akerlof, William T. Dickens, and George L. Perry " The Stock Market and Investment in the New Economy: Some Tangible Facts and Intangible Fictions." Stephen R. Bond and Jason G. Cummins

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