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# 14th ANNUAL NBER-CEPR-TCER CONFERENCE

Issues in Fiscal Adjustment

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# **PROGRAM**

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13:

**9:20 AM** Welcome, Organizers

Chair of the Morning Session: Takeo Hoshi, University of California, San Diego and TCER

9:30 AM CATHERINE BRUNO, IDEI

FRANCK PORTIER, University of Toulouse, GREMAQ, IDEI, and CEPR *Tax Pot Episodes in OECD Countries: Where, When, and to What End?* 

Discussants: TAKATOSHI ITO, Hitotsubashi University, NBER, and TCER

KENT SMETTERS, University of Pennsylvania and the U.S.

Treasury

**10:30 AM** Coffee Break

11:00 AM SANTANU CHATTERJEE, University of Georgia

STEPHEN TURNOVSKY, University of Washington

Spending the US Government Surplus: A Numerical Analysis of the Policy Options

Discussants: TOSHIHIRO IHORI, University of Tokyo and TCER

SHIN'ICHI FUKUDA, University of Tokyo and TCER

**12:00 PM** Lunch

Chair of the Afternoon Session: Toshihiro Ihori, University of Tokyo and TCER

1:30 PM ALBRECHT RITSCHL, Humboldt Universitat zu Berlin and CEPR

Deficit Spending in the Nazi Recovery, 1933-1938: A Critical Reassessment

Discussants: TETSUJI OKAZAKI, University of Tokyo and TCER

SADAO NAGAOKA, Hitotsubashi University and TCER

**2:30 PM** Coffee Break

**3:00 PM** RYUTA RAY KATO, Shiga University

Government Deficits, Public Investment and Public Capital in Aging Japan

Discussants: MAKOTO SAITO, Hitotsubashi University and TCER

### TAKEO HOSHI, University of California, San Diego

**4:00 PM** Coffee Break

**4:30 PM** KENNETH KUTTNER, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

ADAM POSEN, Institute of International Economics

Getting Off (Too) Easy: Japanese Fiscal Policy and Savers' Lack of Response

Discussants: TSUTOMU WATANABE, Hitotsubashi University and TCER

NAOYUKI YOSHINO, Keio University and TCER

**5:30 PM** Adjourn

**6:00 PM** Group Dinner at Gol den Ni ra-Manj yuh

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14:

Chair of the Final Session: Fumio Hayashi, University of Tokyo and TCER

**9:10 AM** TOSHIHIRO IHORI, University of Tokyo and TCER

TAKERO DOI, Keio University

Fiscal Reconstruction and Local Interest Groups in Japan

Discussants: KENT SMETTERS, University of Pennsylvania and the U.S.

Treasury

HIDEKI KONISHI, Gakushuin University and TCER

**10:10 AM** Coffee Break

**10:30 AM** JÜRGEN VON HAGEN, Universitat Bonn and CEPR

ANDREW HUGHES HALLETT, Strathclyde University and CEPR

ROLF STRAUCH, Universitat Bonn and CEPR

Budgetary Consolidation in Europe

Discussants: SAHOKO KAJI, Keio University

ADAM POSEN, Institute of International Economics

11:30 AM YASUSHI IWAMOTO, Kyoto University

The Fiscal Investment and Loan Program in Transition

Discussants: MITSUHIRO FUKAO, Keio University and TCER

TAKERO DOI, Keio University

**12:30 PM** Lunch

**2:00 PM** Adjourn

#### **List of Participants**

Nobuo Akai, Kobe University of Commerce

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Mitsuhiro Fukao, Keio University

Shin'ichi Fukuda, University of Tokyo

Jürgen von Hagen, Universität Bonn

Fumio Hayashi, University of Tokyo

Takeo Hoshi, University of California, San Diego

Toshihiro Ihori, University of Tokyo

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