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## ECONOMIC ADVISORY PANEL MEETING

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**Federal Reserve Bank of New York**  
33 Liberty Street, New York, New York  
Benjamin Strong Room, 10<sup>th</sup> floor  
Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Coffee

10:30 a.m. Discussion on “Monetary Policy under Heightened Uncertainty,” introduced by Kristin Forbes. Questions to be discussed include, but are not limited to

- What are the major sources of uncertainty that are relevant for monetary policy? How can they be measured?
- How should monetary policy be designed in an uncertain environment?

Background references

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- Deepa Datta, Juan M. Londono, Bo Sun, Daniel Beltran, Thiago Ferreira, Matteo Iacoviello, Mohammad R. Jahan-Parvar, Canlin Li, Marius Rodriguez, and John Rogers (2017). “Taxonomy of Global Risk, Uncertainty, and Volatility Measures.” *International Finance Discussion Papers 1216*.
- Sydney Ludvigson, Sai Ma, and Serena Ng (forthcoming). “Uncertainty and Business Cycles: Exogenous Impulse or Endogenous Response?” *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*.

11:30 a.m. Discussion on “Financial Conditions and the Real Economy,” introduced by Simon Gilchrist. Questions to be discussed include, but are not limited to

- What do asset prices tell us about financial conditions?
- Do financial conditions predict real activity?
- What is the effect of changes in financial conditions on the real economy?
- What is the effect of monetary policy on financial conditions?

Background references

- Simon Gilchrist and Egon Zakrajsek (2012) “Credit Spreads and Business Cycle Fluctuations.” *American Economic Review*, 102(4): 1692-1720.
- Mark Gertler and Simon Gilchrist (2019) “The Channels of Financial Distress During the Great Recession: Some Evidence on the Aggregate Effects,” working paper, New York University.
- David López-Salido, Jeremy C. Stein, and Egon Zakrajšek (2017) “Credit-Market Sentiment and the Business Cycle.” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 132(3): 1373-1426.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon, Northwest Conference Room, 10<sup>th</sup> floor

2:00 p.m. Adjourn

For background on the current state of the economy, please refer to the New York Fed Staff’s [U.S. Economy in a Snapshot, Nowcasting Report](#), and [Underlying Inflation Gauge \(UIG\) Measures](#), as well as to the estimates of the Natural Rate of Interest and related variables from the Laubach-Williams and Holston-Laubach-Williams models presented [here](#).