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PROGRAM¹

Monday, November 9		
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.		Administrative Briefing Conducted by Ms. Tamara Tsikhistavi Program Officer, Joint Vienna Institute (JVI)
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.		Opening Session: Introductory Remarks Session conducted by Mr. Norbert Funke, Director, Joint Vienna Institute (JVI); and Mr. Ray Brooks, Chief, European and Middle Eastern Division, Institute for Capacity Development (ICD)
9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.		Course Introduction and Quiz Session conducted by Mr. Brooks; Mr. Fukac, Consultant, and Mikhail Pranovich, Economist, JVI
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.		Coffee Break
10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-1	Monetary Policy Frameworks and Exchange Rate Regimes Lecture by Mr. Brooks - What are the goals of monetary policy? - Alternative monetary and exchange rate policy frameworks - How to choose a monetary and exchange rate framework
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	L-2	Concepts, Measurement, and Determinants of Inflation Lecture by Mr. Fukac - Measuring headline and core inflation rates - How economic models explain inflation - Determinants of inflation
3:45 p.m5:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.	W-1	Choosing a Monetary Policy Framework and Exchange Rate Regime Welcome Reception

¹ Unless otherwise stated, coffee breaks will be held from 10:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m. and from 3:30-3:45 p.m.

Tuesday, November 10		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-3	 Exchange Rates: Concepts, Measurement, and Assessments of the Equilibrium Exchange Rate Lecture by Mr. Pranovich Exchange rate concepts: bilateral vs. multilateral, nominal vs. real Measures of price competitiveness: practical considerations Equilibrium real exchange rate and long-run trends in real exchange rates Assessment methodologies: CGER and EBA
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-2	Workshop on Estimating the Equilibrium Real Exchange Rates - Application of the CGER and EBA methodologies for exchange rate assessments
Wednesday, November 1	1	
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-4	 The Monetary Policy Transmission Mechanism Lecture by Mr. Brooks Transmission mechanism observations Transmission mechanism channels (interest rate, exchange rate, asset prices, and credit) Some issues faced in practice
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-3	Workshop on Diagnosing Inflation Discuss recent trends in inflation and evaluate prospective inflation in Chile
Thursday, November 12		
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	L-5	 Forward Looking Monetary Policy Frameworks Lecture by Mr. Brooks What is a forward-looking framework? Inflation forecast targeting—what is it and why was it adopted? Operational and design issues (dealing with oil price shocks, forex intervention as an instrument) Case studies (Armenia, Chile, New Zealand)
10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	L-6	 Monetary Policy Instruments Lecture by Mr. Pranovich Definitions of instruments: direct and indirect instruments Types, pros and cons of direct instruments Subordination of policy objectives: the link between policy instruments and operating objectives Implementation framework: standing facilities, open market operations and required reserves

2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	L-7	Introduction to a Small Macro Model Lecture by Mr. Fukac - Structural model as a story-telling tool - Structure of a stylized small open economy model - Exchange rate regimes and monetary policy rules - First steps in making the model operational in a policy environment
Friday, November 13		
9:00 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.	L-8	Capital Flows: Macroeconomic Implications and Monetary and Exchange Rate Policy Responses Lecture by Ms. Fukac - Capital flows to emerging markets: empirical facts - Capital inflows. Problems and policies to address them - Capital outflows. Sudden stops and policies to address them
10.45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	W-4	Case Study on Strategy for Dealing with a Surge in Capital Inflows - Discussion of Thailand's experience with using capital controls to stabilize its economy during 2006-07
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	O-1	Preparation for Debates On Key Issues, followed by three 20-minute debates
Monday, November 16		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-9	Lessons for Monetary and Macroprudential Policies from the Recent Crisis Lecture by Mr. Fukac Consensus Before the Crisis Lessons from the Crisis New Proposals for Monetary Policy The Interaction of Monetary and Macroprudential Policies
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-5	Case Study on Strategies for Monetary and Exchange Rate Policy in the Aftermath of Capital Outflows - Discussion of alternative monetary and exchange rate policy responses to sudden capital outflows using the experience of two New Member States during the global financial crisis (2008–2010)

Tuesday, November 17		
9:00 a.m. – 11:15 p.m.	L-10	 Consistency of Exchange Rate and Monetary Policy Objectives Lecture by Mr. Pranovich Consistency of the REER trend, inflation and nominal exchange rate objectives; Real UIP: consistency of the REER trend, interest rate differential and sovereign premium The long run trends and the steady state in a Small Structured Model Trend-cycle decomposition: filtration
11:15 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis Discuss the scope for monetary policy in the Czech Republic and Georgia using a simple reduced-form, new-Keynesian model: prepare a medium-term inflation forecast and discuss the setting of the monetary stance
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis (continued)
Wednesday, November 18	8	
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-11 W-6	Credibility, Expectations, and Central Bank Communication Policy Lecture by Mr. Brooks - What is the role of expectations? - Good communication practices - Case studies Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis (continued)
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis (continued)
Thursday, November 19		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis (continued)
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.		Quiz
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis (continued)
3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-6	Workshop on Using a Model for Monetary Policy Analysis: Group Presentations
		Farewell Dinner (7:00 pm)
Friday, November 20		
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.		Monetary Policy Design and Implementation in Georgia Seminar by Mr. Archil Imnaishvili National Bank of Georgia
10:45 a.m. – 11:30p.m.		Closing Session and Presentation of Certificates (includes evaluation)