

Melbourne Institute Macroeconomic Policy Meetings

October 5-6, 2016

CALL FOR PAPERS

The **Melbourne Institute Macroeconomic Policy Meetings** aim to foster discussion on “hot issues” in macroeconomic policy by involving leading scholars conducting research with state-of-the-art theoretical and/or empirical tools.

The 2016 edition of the Meetings will focus on the macroeconomics of uncertainty and volatility. Many policymakers and researchers believe that uncertainty has been one of the major driving forces in the recent Global Financial Crisis and have proposed possible interpretations on the transmission channels interlinking uncertainty and the economy. The Meeting aims at gathering academic researchers and economists working in policy circles to advance our understanding on the role of uncertainty as a driver of business cycle fluctuations and on the design of optimal monetary and fiscal policies in the presence of changes in uncertainty and volatility. **The Meeting will feature presentations and discussions of scientific papers as well as a panel discussion on "Uncertainty and Policies in Australia and the Rest of the World".**

Nicholas Bloom (Stanford University) will deliver a keynote speech and will also act as one of the panelists.

The Organizing Committee invites submission on the following topics (among others):

- Transmission channel of uncertainty shocks;
- Measurement of uncertainty;
- Economic Policy Uncertainty as a driver of the business cycle;
- Domestic vs. global uncertainty;
- Uncertainty in small open economies;
- Optimal monetary and fiscal policy in the presence of uncertainty.

Paper submission procedure. Papers should be sent to Efrem Castelnuovo no later than **April 15, 2016** at the following account: efrem.castelnuovo@unimelb.edu.au . Authors of accepted papers will be notified by May 15, 2016.

Expenses. There is no participation fee. It is expected that participants will cover their own travel and accommodation costs.

Further information about the Melbourne Institute Macroeconomic Policy Meetings can be found at <https://sites.google.com/site/efremcastelnuovo/home/melbourne-institute-macroeconomic-policy-meetings>

Organizing Committee

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