



Lecture on "Time-varying Fiscal Foresight" by Professor Junjie Guo

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Abstract:

Fiscal foresight displays substantial time variability. Using Survey of Professional Forecasters data, we establish five stylized facts related to the forecast errors and disagreements regarding future discretionary government spending. A simple noise representation of fiscal foresight can capture all stylized facts. While properties of forecast errors help identify the foresight horizon and intensity, disagreements shed light on the stochastic volatility component of fiscal foresight. We design a new definition of fiscal multipliers to accommodate fiscal foresight. Independent of the underlying active/passive monetary-fiscal regimes, time-varying fiscal foresight has profound implications on government spending multipliers.

About the Speaker:

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