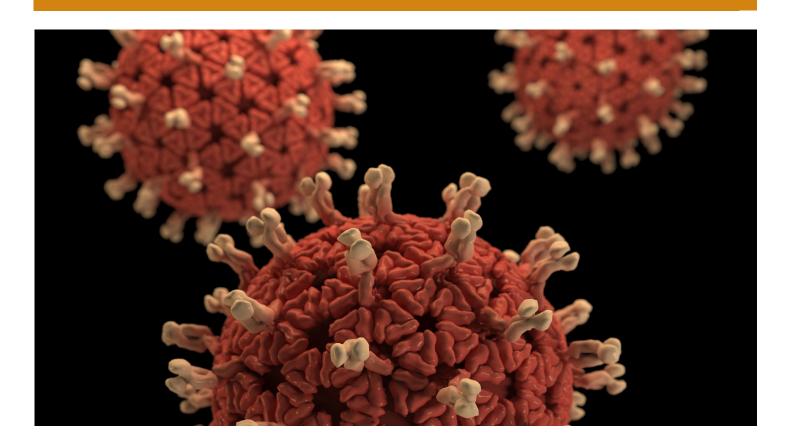
# COVID-19 AND POLICY CHOICES CENTRE FOR APPLIED MACROECONOMIC ANALYSIS



### Program

Countries have adopted wide-ranging policy responses to the COVID-19 outbreak prompting debate about the trade-offs between economic activity, a healthy population, and individual freedoms. Daniel Rees (Bank for International Settlements), Hilde Bjornland (BI Norges Business School), and James Morley (University of Sydney) will share their views on the trade-offs between growth, population containment, and health in a COVID world in a panel discussion on June 4, 2020.

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#### Panel: COVID-19 and policy choices

5:15 pm AEST Chair Renée Fry-McKibbin, CAMA, Crawford School of Public

Policy, ANU

5:20 pm AEST Panellists

Daniel Rees, Senior Economist, Bank for International

Settlements, Basel, Switzerland

Hilde Bjornland, Professor of Economics, BI Norges Business

School and CAMA

James Morley, Professor of Economics, University of Sydney

and CAMA

6:25 pm AEST Discussion

6:45 pm AEST Close

### **Biographies**

#### **Hilde Bjornland**

Hilde C. Bjørnland is Provost for Research and Academic Resources and Professor of Economics at the BI Norwegian Business School. She holds a Master of Science in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics from London School of Economics, and a PhD (Dr.Polit) in Economics from the University of Oslo. She was awarded His Majesty, The King of Norway's Gold medal for the Ph.D. thesis in social Sciences. Bjørnland is the Director of the research centre CAMP (Centre for Applied Macroeconomics and commodity Prices) at the BI Norwegian Business School and she holds a position as a scientific advisor to the Research Department of Norges Bank. She is elected President of the Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE) and she is research associate of the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) at the Australia National University. Bjørnland is on the editorial board of Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics and she is a guest editor for Energy Economics. She is also member of the Norwegian government appointed expert group assessing the economic consequences of COVID-19.

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#### Renee McKibbin

Renée Fry-McKibbin is a Professor of Economics in the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University, and Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences. She directs three research programs in the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA). These are' COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy', 'Finance and the Macroeconomy' and 'Commodities and the Macroeconomy.' She holds the position of Research Associate in the Research Project in Forecasting at George Washington University as well as in the Norwegian Centre for Macroeconomic and Petroleum Analysis. She is a committee member for the UK Money, Macro and Finance Society, and a board member of the Australasian Macroeconomics Society. She is Co-editor of the Economic Record and Associate Editor of International Review of Economics and Finance, and Finance Research Letters.

#### **James Morley**

James Morley is Professor of Macroeconomics at the University of Sydney and Co-Director of the "Global Perspectives on Economic Policy" initiative for the Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences. He is a Fellow of the International Association for Applied Econometrics and Co-Editor of The Economic Record. His research is on the empirical analysis of business cycles, stabilization policy, and sources of persistent changes in macroeconomic and financial conditions.

#### **Daniel Rees**

Daniel is a Senior Economist in the Monetary and Economic Department of the Bank for International Settlements. Prior to joining the BIS, he was head of the Macroeconomic Modelling section at the Reserve Bank of Australia where he oversaw the development of the RBA's core macroeconomic model, MARTIN. His research focuses on applied macroeconomics, with a focus on the consequences of structural change, commodity markets, and the modelling of the Australian economy.