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Message from the Director

2020 was a year of enormous challenges. The year started with devastating bushfires, with the ANU campus closed for a few days because of high smoke levels. Weeks later, the campus was closed again because of the severe hailstorm that damaged many cars and buildings. In March, the staff were told to work from home because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Despite all of the unprecedented events, the CAMA network demonstrated that innovation and adaptation to the circumstances were possible. CAMA rose to the challenges and had a highly productive year. A new research program was created to study the implications of COVID-19 for the global and individual economies. The program headed by Renée Fry-McKibbin and Joaquin Vespignani included 57 new research associates. CAMA organised 23 webinars and recorded 111 papers published in the CAMA Working Paper Series in 2020.

I want to thank all CAMA members and friends for the support through this challenging year. CAMA is a global network of researchers. CAMA's success draws directly on researchers' active participation – researchers who believe in excellence in research and public policy and the importance of contributing to public goods.

Warwick McKibbin

Director, Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis

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Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis – an overview

The Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) is located in Crawford School of Public Policy at The Australian National University. It was established in 2003 to bring together economists working on applied macroeconomic and financial market issues throughout Australia and worldwide. CAMA's objectives are to advance research and postgraduate training in applied macroeconomic and financial issues.

CAMA was founded by Professor Warwick McKibbin, who is also the current director. The deputy director is Professor Ippei Fujiwara. Former directors include Professor Renée Fry-McKibbin and Professor Shaun Vahey, and deputy directors include Professor Heather Anderson, Professor Mardi Dungey and Professor Renée Fry-McKibbin.



Research programs

The centre's research activities are built around a series of research programs headed by a program director (or directors). The program director is responsible for organising research in the area of the program. Proposals for new programs are welcome and will be considered by the executive committee. Suggestions should be directed to the CAMA director. It is envisaged that programs will be active for three years after which they are reviewed for activity, relevance and contributions to the academic and policy communities.

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Behavioural macroeconomics and complexity

Directors	Corrado Di Guilmi and Timo Henckel
Research Advisor	Prof Dr Cars H Hommes
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

Behavioural macroeconomics seeks to refine our understanding of the discipline by accounting for relevant features of human behaviour that are absent in the standard economics framework. Instead of assuming a hyper-rational representative agent, the basis for analysis are empirically well-documented psychological and sociological factors such as cognitive bias, fairness concerns, herding, and social status. Acknowledging the growing econometric and experimental evidence that human behaviour often fails the predictions of the rational expectations, full-information paradigm, this research program provides an umbrella for all research dedicated to melding the insights from behavioural economics and psychology with modern macroeconomics in a sound and rigorous way.

An integral part of this research agenda is the problem of aggregation and the presence of agent heterogeneity, which considers the economy as an adaptive nonlinear network that generates complex, emergent behaviour. Salient features of this approach include dispersed interaction of agents, multiple levels of organisation and interaction, bounded rationality, continual adaptation of agents' behaviours, actions and strategies, deep, unquantifiable uncertainty and persistent out-of-equilibrium dynamics.

The emphasis is both on theoretical and empirical models:

- Theoretical behavioural models will analyse the positive and normative macroeconomic implications of behavioural phenomena including, for example, prospect theory, hyperbolic discounting, adaptive learning, bounded rationality, habit/status concerns, money illusion, and endowment effects. Models of complexity analyse the properties of emergent behaviour, with a large emphasis on solution and simulation methods, including combinatorial mathematics, statistical mechanics and nonlinear computational algorithms. Many of these fall under the heading of agent-based models.
- Empirical models will use behavioural theory and complexity models to improve our statistical understanding and forecasting abilities of the macroeconomy and to analyse policy regimes and institutional features. These models are not only supposed to refine our understanding of individual choice but also help us understand and design better economic institutions and enhance overall welfare analysis.

The program seeks to foster a strong and growing network of researchers enthusiastic about behavioural macroeconomics and complexity. Activities will include workshops/conferences, collaboration with other CAMA research programs, and graduate courses/seminars on this topic.

Climate change and energy

Directors	Barbara Buchner and Warwick McKibbin
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

Rapid global economic growth, particularly in China and India, has important implications for global energy use as well as causing a rapid rise in greenhouse gas emissions with implications for climate change. This program focuses on the importance of energy use and climate change as well as the associated policy responses on the macro-economy.

This program focuses on:

- methodologies for projecting long-term energy use and carbon dioxide emissions
- the relationship between macroeconomic performance and energy use
- the role of relative prices in energy demand and macroeconomic outcomes

- the macroeconomic consequences of alternative energy policies
- the macroeconomic consequences of alternative climate change strategies and
- the design and impact of alternative emission permit trading systems.

Collaborative work in this project is linked to the ANU Climate Change Institute and the ANU Energy Change Institute.

The Climate Change and Energy program of CAMA is included in the Think Tank Map.

Commodities and the macroeconomy

Directors	Paul Cashin and Renée Fry-McKibbin
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

The implications of demand for resources by emerging market economies and understanding the special features of commodity economies are currently issues for policymakers and investors. Emerging markets in particular are an important driver of the most recent commodity price cycle. This program seeks to understand commodity cycles and their financial market and macroeconomic effects, as well as the interactions between the three from both an emerging and developed country perspective.

The program focuses on:

- understanding trends and cycles in commodity markets
- currency, equity and commodity market linkages
- global business cycle linkages and the role of emerging markets
- oil price shocks and their transmission through the macroeconomy
- food price shocks and their pass through to the macroeconomy and poverty implications
- policy responses to relative price movements
- the macroeconomics of sovereign wealth funds.

COVID-19 and the macroeconomy

Directors	Renée Fry-McKibbin and Joaquin Vespignani
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

The 2020 outbreak of COVID-19 is a truly global shock, unlike any seen before. The public health policies implemented to contain the virus have significantly disrupted the global economy through both supply and demand channels and have substantially affected global financial markets. Governments, central banks, and international financial organizations such as the IMF and the World Bank have stepped up to support the economy with fiscal and monetary stimulus and a substantial increase in the government debt burden. However, the unfolding of COVID-19 is greatly uncertain. Health and hence

economic outcomes appear to be vastly different across countries and even within states within countries. What is certain is that the global economy has fundamentally changed.

The program aims to understand the global and country-specific financial market and macroeconomic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program will provide a forum to explore the new financial market and economic linkages between countries and the potential mechanisms of recovery from the crisis. The aim is to inform policymakers in both emerging and developed economies and to enhance academic research as the world seeks to recover from this crisis.

The program focusses on:

- The global macroeconomics consequences of the pandemic
- New channels of transmission of the international financial market and economic shocks
- Fiscal policy responses to the pandemic
- Conventional and unconventional monetary policy responses to the pandemic
- The interaction between fiscal and monetary policy in mitigating the effects of the pandemic
- Commodity prices and the coronavirus pandemic
- The COVID-19 and income and intergenerational inequality
- Macroeconomic effects of changes in agents' behaviour and modes of interaction
- Short-term and long-term impacts on the labour market

Finance and the macroeconomy

Directors	Matthew Greenwood-Nimmo and Renée Fry-McKibbin
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

Financial market developments impact directly and indirectly on real economy outcomes, particularly in the short term, and developments in the macroeconomy affect financial markets, systems and institutions. This program brings together work on financial interactions with an assessment of the impact of markets and institutions on the economy and implications for policy. It includes assessment of broader trends in the macroeconomy and finance. Areas of investigation include:

- the role of international financial markets in transmitting shocks between economies, including during periods of financial stress
- regional and global financial cooperation and architecture, with a particular focus on East Asia
- financial markets, institutions and systems, including the integration of financial markets, electronic finance, harmonisation of financial systems and the nexus between finance and economic growth and development

• policy dialogue and the interaction between policy decisions, such as fiscal and monetary policy and structural policies, and financial development, including a focus on East Asia.

Globalisation and trade

Directors	Martin H Davies and David Vines
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

The linkages between countries are influenced by their macroeconomic policies. These policies can be conducted so as to reduce risks and increase the likelihood of good outcomes.

The objective of this program is to undertake research into the design of policies in three areas. The first of these is the overall framework of macroeconomic policy, including the extent to which policy can influence exchange rates in a world of a high degree of capital mobility, and the integration of fiscal and monetary policy in the management of the economy. The second is the extent to which the financial system can be regulated so as to minimise the risk of currency and financial crises and to lessen the costs of such crises as occur. The third is the way in which the liberalisation of international trade can be managed so as to avoid the growth of preferential discrimination between countries and the growth of discriminatory trading blocs.

Research in this program will also be conducted into the connection between these areas: the extent to which trade liberalisation strategies demand a change to exchange rate strategies and the extent to which the need to minimise the risks of financial crises has implications for exchange rate strategies.

Growth, demographics and productivity

Directors	Bruce Chapman and Creina Day
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

The growth, demographics and productivity program promotes understanding of the economic growth processes for developing and developed countries. Growth in per capita output comprises growth in "three P's", productivity, participation and population, which provide the following key areas of focus:

How do research and development (R&D) and investment in human capital sustain economic growth in OECD countries? Can policies enhance long run growth prospects? What lessons and evidence relevant to developing countries does the experience of OECD countries provide? What role do institutions play in facilitating innovation and education-led growth? What are potential drags on economic growth in the form of demographic change, finite resources, trade and macroeconomic policies?

Understanding changes in patterns and determinants of labour input. How do gender wage gaps, retiring cohorts, and immigration affect labour markets? What role does education play in labour productivity? Can we identify policies to promote labour force participation and productivity?

The world's population doubled twice in the twentieth century, but is not expected to double once this century. What are the economic determinants and consequences of changes in fertility, life expectancy and demographic structure? Are these changes inevitable? How does demographic change benefit economies? What are the challenges facing ageing economies? What policies reconcile demographic change with productivity growth and employment?

Macroeconomic policy frameworks

Directors	Ippei Fujiwara and Toshitaka Sekine
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

Considerable progress has been made over the past 20 years in developing robust monetary and fiscal policy frameworks. For many countries these have been aimed at maintaining low and stable inflation over the medium term, and public debt sustainability over the medium to long term. Associated implications and areas of importance have been less well developed.

This program brings together analytical and policy researchers interested in evaluating and advancing work in areas such as:

- the implications of medium-term fiscal and monetary policy frameworks for: the volatilities of output, interest rates and exchange rates; short-run stabilisation policies; intergenerational balance; financial stability; and external stability
- the role of governance procedures and associated institutional frameworks in sustaining the credibility of fiscal and monetary policy frameworks, including the relative roles for policy coordination and operational independence, and the role of enforcement rules in fiscal policy frameworks
- macroeconomic policy frameworks for sustainable growth and employment and
- appropriate policy frameworks for common currency regimes.

Macroeconomic theory

Directors	Bruce Preston
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

This program brings together various research agendas in the area of theoretical macroeconomics. The emphasis is on (i) the construction of macroeconomic models that have specific decision-theoretic foundations and equilibrium concepts; and/or (ii) the use of such models to understand observed economic phenomena, analyse policy regimes and other institutional features; and/or (iii) research that refines and expands the set of tools for undertaking research in (i) and (ii).

Research in this area includes equilibrium business cycle theories, growth theory, recursive policy games, recursive contract theory, dynamic public finance, international macroeconomics, expectations modelling and learning, sunspots and multiple equilibria in general equilibrium, search theoretic foundations of labour markets and monetary theory, and dynamic political economics.

The program's activities include:

- the annual Australasian Workshop in Macroeconomic Dynamics (WMD)
- Macroeconomics Study Group
- occasional advanced workshop/courses featuring experts in the relevant field.

Model uncertainty and macro-econometrics

Directors James Morley and Benjamin Wong	
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

This program focuses on the role of model uncertainty in empirical macroeconomics. This literature treats the 'true' model as an unobservable - an admission that has implications for many areas of macroeconomic analysis and has generated two distinct research sub-programs. One represents a renewed interest in model evaluation, comparison, selection and combinations when model misspecification is explicitly recognised. A second sub-program is based on accounting for model uncertainty explicitly in constructing predictive densities for objects of economic interest, conducting statistical inference and evaluating policies.

Multi-country models and methods

Directors Ippei Fujiwara and Warwick McKibbin	
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates

Countries are linked through trade flows and asset markets. The modelling of these interactions has been undertaken in large-scale model such as: computable general equilibrium models (for trade); large-scale macro-econometric models (aggregated trade and capital flows); and intertemporal general equilibrium models (trade detail and asset flows). There is also an emerging literature of smaller theoretical simulation models particularly of real business cycle and new Keynesian theories which attempt to understand global interdependence better. This program will bring together researchers interested in the linkages between countries and how these linkages impact on our understanding of economic outcomes in small open and large open economies.

Open economy macroeconomics

Directors	Martin Berka and Christoph Thoenissen	
Research Advisor	Michael B Devereux, Charles Engel, and Maurice Obstfeld	
Research Associates	See complete list under Staff and Associates - Research Associates	

The objective of the Open Economy Macroeconomics (OEM) program is to further the development and testing of optimization-based OEM frameworks. The main focuses of interest of the program are:

- international transmission mechanisms in OEM frameworks
- international relative prices and the international transmission of shocks
- cooperation and monetary and fiscal stabilisation policies in OEM frameworks.

CAMA RBA Shadow Board

On the first Tuesday of every month (except in January) the Board of the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) meets to decide on a target for the cash rate. This decision is highly significant for the wider economy and is therefore closely monitored by the financial markets.

The CAMA RBA Shadow Board consists of nine voting members and one non-voting chair, all distinguished macroeconomists, who offer their own policy recommendations one day before the official RBA decision.

A novel feature of the CAMA RBA Shadow Board is the requirement that members offer their policy recommendations probabilistically. When a central bank sets the preferred target cash rate, the decision necessarily constitutes a compromise, a careful balancing and weighting of all salient upside and downside risks. The imprecision stems from the uncertainties associated with real-time measurements, latent variables, model type, model parameters and the inherently unpredictable nature of the macroeconomy. Whatever rate the central bank sets, there is a considerable probability that a different rate would be more appropriate. Nevertheless, most central banks provide little quantifiable information on the uncertainty confronting policymakers. Conventional central bank communication of interest rate setting does not formalise risk considerations and the probability of extreme events. The probability that the interest rate should be substantially different from the 'most preferred' target rate receives little attention. Central banks currently record formally neither the uncertainty experienced by individual board members, nor by the board as a whole.

Each member of the CAMA RBA Shadow Board records the uncertainty by giving probabilistic assessments of the appropriate (target) interest rate for each round. The higher the percentage attached to a given interest rate, the more confident the member is that this rate is the appropriate target.

The aim of the CAMA RBA Shadow Board is to:

- 1. foster a lively and informed debate in the community about each interest rate decision and about macroeconomics more generally
- 2. show how individual policymakers can quantify the uncertainty surrounding a preferred target cash rate and how these uncertainties may be aggregated to provide a probabilistic collective view
- 3. generate data on probabilistic monetary policy decision-making that may be used in future research.

It is important to note that this project is not aimed at predicting RBA Board behaviour. In common with shadowing exercises in other countries (e.g. the US Shadow Open Market Committee), this is a normative exercise in stating the most suitable interest rate for current and expected economic conditions, not forecasting what the RBA will actually do.

The CAMA RBA Shadow Board (initially going by the name of PRO-POL) was conceived in August 2011 by Dr Timo Henckel, Professor Shaun Vahey, and Dr Elizabeth Wakerly, all of CAMA. Until June 2013 the logistics were handled by Mr Damien Hughes and Dr Elizabeth Wakerly.

Current members

Sally M Auld



Sally Auld is chief investment officer at JBWere. Sally completed her Bachelor and Master degree in economics at Sydney University with First Class Honours and the University Medal. Sally went on to complete a Doctor of Philosophy in economics at Oxford University. She is currently Deputy Chair of the Council of The Women's College, within the University of Sydney, and sits on the Board of Equality Australia. Auld joined J.P. Morgan in September 2008 as head of fixed income and FX strategy for

Australia and New Zealand. She was responsible for views on the Antipodean economic and policy outlook as well as strategic and tactical trade recommendations in Antipodean

interest rate and FX markets. Previously, Auld was co-head of economics and interest rate research at ANZ and commenced her career as an interest rate strategist at Credit Suisse.

Paul Bloxham



Paul Bloxham is Chief Economist for HSBC in Australia and New Zealand. Prior to joining HSBC, Paul Bloxham was an economist within the Reserve Bank of Australia's Economic Analysis Department where he headed up the overseas economies and financial conditions sections, as well as working on domestic forecasting and prices. Bloxham has published a number of papers, including on household finances, asset prices and monetary policy. He is also a regular commentator on local and

international business television and a frequent contributor of opinion editorials to the Australian newspapers. He holds a Master degree in public financial policy from the London School of Economics.

Renée Fry-McKibbin



Renée Fry-McKibbin is a Professor of Economics in the Crawford School of Public Policy. She is the Co-Director of the Finance and Macroeconomy Program and the Commodities and the Macroeconomy within CAMA, and a research associate of the Research Project in Forecasting at George Washington University, the National Centre for Econometric Research (NCER) and the Norwegian Centre for Macroeconomic and Petroleum Analysis (CAMP). Renée was Associate Dean Research of the College of

Asia & the Pacific at ANU from 2014 to May 2018. In 2012 she was appointed to the advisory board of the Australian Defence College (ADC). She is an associate editor for the *Journal of Banking and Finance and Finance Research Letters*, as well as a co-editor of the *Economic Record*. She has been a visiting scholar or consultant to the European Central Bank, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, the International Monetary Fund, the Bank of England, the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Federal Treasury, AUSAID, the New Zealand Treasury and the Reserve Bank of New Zealand.

Timo Henckel



Timo Henckel (non-voting chair) is a Senior Lecturer in the Research School of Economics at ANU College of Business and Economics. He is also a CAMA Research Fellow and director of CAMA's "Behavioural Macroeconomics and Complexity" research program. His research spans the fields of behavioural economics, monetary economics, international macroeconomics, and experimental economics, with a particular focus on financial crises, bubbles and central bank policy. He appears frequently in

the media and has written numerous policy briefs. Dr Henckel holds a PhD from the London School of Economics.

Mariano Kulish



Mariano Kulish received his PhD in economics from Boston College in 2005. His research interests include macroeconomics, monetary economics and applied econometrics with a focus on understanding the behaviour of economies undergoing structural changes. Mariano has developed new techniques to solve and estimate rational expectations models with structural changes and has applied them to policy-relevant settings, such as the recent period of monetary policy with zero interest

rates, disinflation policies, and the impact of commodity price fluctuations in Australia. Mariano has published in international economics journals such as the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, the *Journal of Monetary Economics*, the *Journal of International Economics*, the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, the *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, and the European Economic Review*.

Guay Lim



Guay Lim is a Professorial Research Fellow at the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economics and Social Research and an Adjunct Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Melbourne. Her research interests are in quantitative macroeconomics and macroeconometrics and her papers have been published in major international journals. She has held visiting research positions at the IMF, ECB, RBNZ, Osaka University, Brown University, Georgetown University and Fordham University. Guay is

also the head of the Macroeconomics Unit at the Melbourne Institute and they publish indicators of activity about the Australian economy on a regular basis.

Warwick McKibbin



Professor Warwick McKibbin has a Chair in Public Policy in the ANU Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) in Crawford School of Public Policy at The Australian National University (ANU). He is also an ANU Public Policy Fellow; a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Social Sciences; a Distinguished Fellow of the Asia and Pacific Policy Society; a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington D.C (where he is co-Director of the Climate and Energy Economics Project)

and President of McKibbin Software Group Inc. Professor McKibbin was foundation Director of the ANU Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis and foundation Director of the ANU Research School of Economics. He was also a Professorial Fellow at the Lowy Institute for International Policy for a decade from 2003 where he was involved in its design and development. Professor McKibbin served for a decade on the Board of the Reserve Bank of Australia (the Australian equivalent of the Board of Governors of the US Federal Reserve) until July 2011. He has also served as a member of the Australian Prime Minister's Science, Engineering and Innovation Council, and on the Australian Prime Minister's Taskforce on Uranium Mining Processing and Nuclear Energy in Australia.

James Morley



James Morley is Professor of Macroeconomics at the University of Sydney. He received his PhD from the University of Washington in 1999 and was previously at Washington University in St. Louis and the University of New South Wales, most recently as Associate Dean (Research) of the UNSW Business School from 2014-2017. He is an Academic Fellow of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand and has been a visiting scholar at various policy institutions worldwide, including the Bank of Canada, Bank Negara

Malaysia, and the Bank for International Settlements. He is a former President of the Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics and is currently Co-Editor of the Economic Society of Australia's journal *The Economic Record*. His research focuses on the empirical analysis of business cycles, stabilisation policy, and sources of persistent changes in macroeconomic and financial conditions.

John Romalis



John Romalis studies international economics and macroeconomics. Romalis has published well-known papers on the determinants of international trade, and on the economic effects of tax and trade policy in journals such as the *American Economic Review*, the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, and the *Journal of the European Economic Association*. Romalis has three main current lines of research. He studies the trade and welfare implications of tariff reductions

since the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations. A second line of research studies the causes of the collapse of international trade during the recent global recession. Finally, Romalis studies how firms engaged in international competition determine the quality and price of their products.

After completing degrees in economics and in law, Romalis worked negotiating contracts governing swaps and other derivatives for a commercial bank, and then moved to the economics research department in Australia's central bank. After completing his PhD in economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he joined the University of Chicago Booth faculty in 2001. John Romalis has also served as a Resident Scholar for the International Monetary Fund, has been a Faculty Research Fellow for the National Bureau of Economic Research, and had appointments at Princeton University and The Australian National University. In 2013 John Romalis moved to The University of Sydney where he was appointed the Sir Hermann Black Chair of Economics.

Jeffrey Sheen



Jeffrey Sheen is a Professor of Economics at Macquarie University. He has been on the faculty of the Universities of Manchester, Essex and Sydney, and has had a visiting appointment at the Reserve Bank of Australia. He has published his research in major international journals, and his interests span international economics, macroeconomics, labour and international finance. He obtained his PhD at the London School of Economics.

Past members

Mark Crosby (August 2011-December 2019)



Mark Crosby is Dean of the Global Master of Business Administration (GMBA) and interim Dean of the Global Bachelors of Business Administration (GBBA) effective 17 October 2011. Dr Crosby has held academic appointments at the University of Toronto, the University of New South Wales, and the University of Melbourne, where he was most recently the Associate Dean (International) at the Melbourne Business School. Dr Crosby has co-authored a widely-used textbook on

macroeconomics, and publishes regularly in academic journals, contributes articles to the media, and has written a number of book chapters. Besides his university activities, Dr Crosby has worked or consulted widely for government and private enterprises including the World Bank, the Hong Kong Institute for Monetary Research, the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the South African Treasury, the Center for Strategic and Policy Studies in Brunei, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Reserve Bank of New Zealand, and BHP Billiton. Most recently he completed a project on South Africa's current account deficit and a project on diversifying Brunei's economy. He is a frequent guest on ABC TV and writes regularly for Australian newspapers.

Mardi Dungey (August 2011-December 2018)



Mardi Dungey was Professor of Economics and Finance at the University of Tasmania, a Senior Research Associate at the Centre for Financial Analysis and Policy at the University of Cambridge and Adjunct Professor at the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Policy at The Australian National University. Mardi moved to the University of Tasmania in October 2008, from a position as the Deputy Director of the Centre for Financial Analysis and Policy at the University of Cambridge. Prior to that she has held

academic positions at The Australian National University and La Trobe University. She also worked at Econtech Consulting Group and the Reserve Bank of Australia, and held visiting positions at the IMF, University of Cambridge, Princeton University, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and Australian and New Zealand Treasuries. She spoke regularly to international forums on her research and held a number of competitive grants. Mardi was a co-editor of the *Economic Record* and an Associate Editor of the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, the *Journal of Asian Economics*, and the *Journal of Banking and Finance*.

Saul Eslake (August 2011-June 2014)



Saul Eslake has been Chief Economist at Bank of America Merrill Lynch Australia since December 2011. He was previously a Program Director with the Grattan Institute (a non-aligned think tank affiliated with Melbourne University) and, between 1995 and 2009, Chief Economist at ANZ Bank. He is also a non-executive director of Hydro Tasmania, and a member of the National Housing Supply Council and the Australian Statistics Advisory Council.

Bob Gregory (August 2011-May 2018)



Professor Gregory has held positions at the University of Melbourne, London School of Economics, Australian National University, Industries Assistance Commission, Northwestern University, and visiting positions at Harvard University, the University of Chicago and University College London.

He has been closely involved in the analysis and development of Australian economic policy; a member of the Board of Management at the

Australian Institute of Family Studies, principal consultant in a series of government Aged Care Reviews, member of the committee that recommended the introduction of student income contingent loans, member of the Board of the Reserve Bank of Australia and the Australian Sciences and Technology Council. Professor Gregory has been awarded the Order of Australia Medal and has an honorary doctorate from the University of Melbourne.

Mark Thirlwell (August 2011-September 2013)



Mark Thirlwell is Director of International Economy Program and Fellow of G20 Studies Centre. Mark has been tracking global economic trends since he joined the Bank of England's International Divisions in 1990 where he worked as part of the Whitehall Economists Subgroup, coordinating the forecasting of major emerging markets across the Bank, Treasury, the FCO and other stakeholders. Mark subsequently joined J P Morgan as a Vice President in Economic Research with responsibility for Central Europe. Before joining Lowy, he served as Senior Economist at Australia's

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation, working on sovereign risk with a particular focus on East Asia.

Shaun Vahey (August 2011-May 2013)



Shaun Vahey is Professor at Warwick University and a Research Associate at CAMA (ANU) in the Model Uncertainty and Macro-Econometrics program. His current research interests include: empirical macro, time series econometrics with macro and financial variables, and some data science. He is a regular co-organizer of the Real-time Economics Conference which runs annually (usually) at FRB Philadelphia and other central banks since 2001. Shaun's previous employers include Cambridge University (Christ's College), Melbourne University, the Reserve Bank of New Zealand, Norges Bank and the Bank of England. His research has been published in

academic journals including the *American Economic Review*, the *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, the *Journal of Applied Econometrics* and the *Economic Journal*. Shaun has previously acted as a consultant with The Money Cloud, The Coefficiency Lab, the ACCC, Citadel Group, Rio Tinto, Norges Bank and RBNZ.

Shaun Vahey was a voting member from August-December 2011 and the inaugural chair until May 2013.

Publications



The CAMA Working Paper Series covers a broad range of topics in one of the eleven areas covered by the CAMA research programs. The working papers are available online and through RePec (Research Papers in Economics) and SSRN (Social Science Research Network).

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CAMA seminars

Tipping, the optimal carbon price and weighing cows, geoengineering and coal

Date: 29 January

Presenter: Anthony Wiskich (CAMA, PhD Student)

In this seminar, Anthony Wiskich describes an integrated assessment model with an unknown temperature threshold where severe and irreversible climate impacts, called a tipping point, occurs.

The possibility of tipping leads to the following linked outcomes: a prolonged period of peak temperature; a rebound in emissions prior to and during peak temperature; and a fall in the optimal carbon tax as a ratio of output prior to and during peak temperature. Although tipping can occur in any period where temperature rises to a new maximum, the optimal carbon price can be calculated from future temperature outcomes conditional on no tipping. Learning that tipping has not occurred lowers the tax. Optimal prices for short-lived mitigation actions such as methane abatement and geoengineering are compared with long-lived carbon mitigation. The use of geoengineering can lower the initial carbon tax and extend the life of the tax.

Does gender affect innovation, credit access and environmental outcomes?

Date: 29 January

Presenter: Hang Hoang (CAMA, PhD Student)

Despite the claims that women fail to access education, job opportunities and political responsibility compared with men, the role of women has gradually changed and there has been a significant increase in the number of women entrepreneurs recently.

Using the data from Vietnam SMEs for the period from 2007 to 2015 and fixed effect estimations, Hang Hoang explores the effects of gender on SME activities in three dimensions: innovation, credit access and environmental outcome. The results found by the author provide evidence that there are no gender differences in firm innovation and environmental outcomes, but that a gender gap plays a role in access to credit.

The heterogeneous effects of global and national business cycles on employment in U.S. states and metropolitan areas

Date: 5 March

Presenter: Alexander Chudik (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas)

The growth of globalisation in recent decades has increased the importance of external factors as drivers of the business cycle in many countries. Globalisation affects countries not just at the macro level but at the level of states and metro areas as well. The paper presented in this seminar isolates the relative importance of global, national and region-specific shocks as drivers of the business cycle in individual US states and metro areas. The author finds about two thirds and a half of the employment fluctuations in US states and metro areas, respectively, are explained by the global and national shocks lumped together. The split between the importance of the global and national shocks is about 50:50, based on the standard identification scheme in the literature.

CAMA webinars

Remittance trap: myth or reality? Threshold study of remittances and growth

Date: 2 April

Presenter: Sud Dahal (CAMA, PhD Student)

Studies on remittances concentrating on the microeconomic implications have broadly reached a consensus that remittances have a welfare-enhancing effect. They lift people out of poverty, have a direct beneficial impact on the health and education of migrant families and increase consumption. However, other studies have shown that high remittances can lead to a trap at the macroeconomic level as collectively, they fail to contribute to the longer-term growth of a country. The paper presented in this seminar revisits this debate on the remittance and growth nexus, examining whether there is a 'remittance trap' or 'threshold' above which remittances start to have a negative effect on growth. Using different empirical approaches based on a large panel dataset of 70 countries between 1970-2018, the study finds that at high levels of remittances appear to be associated with less growth.

Macroeconomic and environmental implications of a demographic transition in a life-cycle model

Date: 7 May

Presenter: Tsendsuren Batsuuri (CAMA, PhD Student)

This seminar investigates the macroeconomic and environmental implications of a demographic transition combining a tractable life-cycle model with an energy-dependent production function widely used for climate policy. Simulations show that demographic

transitions can have a significant impact on a country's economic growth and CO2 emissions both in the short and the long run, even in a gradual and slow transition scenario. Specifically, during the transition, a demographic transition can increase CO2 emissions by increasing capital accumulation, energy intensity of the economy, labour force participation, and by increasing prime-age workers in the workforce. Furthermore, the effect of the demographic transition is non-linear, and it will eventually disappear as both fertility and mortality patterns converge to low levels. These findings have several policy implications. First, it implies that when the countries are at different stages of their demographic transition, comparing countries' efforts to reduce their carbon emissions under the Paris Agreement will be complicated. Second, there may be no free lunch in reducing CO2 emissions as the decline in population growth rate, and the population aging may not produce emissions reductions as often told in popular narratives. This study highlights the importance of incorporating demographic considerations into climateeconomy models and proposes an appropriate modelling framework.

Demographic impacts on life cycle portfolios and financial market structures

Date: 14 May

Presenter: Phitawat Poonpolkul (CAMA, PhD Student)

The paper presented in this seminar provides a framework to endogenise rates of return for risk-free bonds and risky capital in an overlapping generation model, where the return on capital is endogenised by introducing idiosyncratic production shocks to avoid computation challenges associated with aggregate production shocks in the literature. The framework enables the interaction between financial markets and macroeconomic conditions in a production economy. Based on this framework, the paper presented in this seminar first examines life-cycle portfolio choice in a steady state, and illustrates that several factors such as borrowing costs, labour income and production risk play important roles in life-cycle portfolios. The paper then shows that population aging has important impacts on macroeconomic conditions, life-cycle behaviours and financial market structures. More specifically, population aging results in higher capital-labour ratios, and pushes down the rates of return on both assets. The bond market shrinks significantly, and capital decreases if the fertility rate declines but increases if the mortality rate declines, leading to structural change in the financial market. The author concludes that the impacts on life-cycle variables are quite different in the fertility and mortality cases particularly at the late stage of life.

Climate hysteresis and monetary policy

Date: 1 July Presenter: Augustus Panton (CAMA, PhD Student)

Since the birth of the natural rate hypothesis, the conventional notion that short-term output simply fluctuates around a relatively stable long-term trend became the norm in modern macroeconomics, including in the standard New Keynesian DSGE model. However, the global financial crisis (GFC) led to a serious rethinking of this norm, giving rise to the re-emergence of the Blanchard-Summers' hysteresis debate and a new business cycle paradigm in which the short-term output effects of financial crises permanently feed into long-term growth trends. Using a Bayesian-estimated structural multivariate filtering model calibrated to data for Australia and the United States, the innovation of the paper presented by Augustus in this webinar is the incorporation of climate hysteresis into the estimation of potential output and the output and unemployment gaps. The results suggest non-trivia implications for monetary policy in a carbonconstrained world. Not only are the model-based estimates of potential output and NAIRU more volatile with climate shock persistence, the climate-neutral output and unemployment gap estimates are much smaller than conventional estimates, with different implications for inflation signals during the upturn or downturn of the business cycle. For economies that are more susceptible to disruptive climate shocks, especially in the developing world, an environment in which both demand conditions and the underlying supply potential are rapidly changing will severely complicate the conduct of forward-looking macroeconomic policy.

Age-dependent risk aversion: Re-evaluating fiscal policy impacts of population ageing

Date: 24 September

Presenter: Phitawat Poonpolkul (CAMA, PhD Student)

The study presented in this webinar revisits optimal fiscal policies in response to population ageing by introducing an age-dependent increasing risk aversion assumption into an OLG model with risk-sensitive preferences to factor in the welfare cost of the policy-induced uncertainties.

The findings suggest that, based on future generations' welfare, financing population ageing by either a social security benefit reduction or an extension of the retirement age may not be as strongly preferred over a payroll tax increase as prior studies have suggested because of the detrimental welfare impacts from the consequent increase in uncertainties. Varying risk aversion also emphasizes the role of precautionary savings that causes individuals to respond slightly differently to changes in demographic structures and price variables. This, in turn, influence the redistribution of life-cycle variables and transition dynamics of aggregate variables.

Commodity-induced capital shortfall and survival of renewable and non-renewable resource firms

Date: 15 October

Presenter: Denny Irawan (CAMA, PhD Student)

The study presented in this seminar modifies the Systemic Risk Index (SRISK) by Brownlees and Engle (2017) to measure potential capital shortfall of natural resource companies and how it is affected by the fluctuation of the commodity price cycle and business cycles, and whether macroeconomic uncertainties can explain firms failure probability. As an addition to standard market beta, this study also employs commodity beta to calculate potential capital shortfall.

Thus, there are two SRISKs calculated in this study. The first is the standard Market SRISK (MSRISK), and the second is the Commodity SRISK (CSRISK). The results found by the authors suggest that CSRISK can capture the capital shortfall of the sample with a similar pattern as MSRISK, but with an average 15 per cent higher level of capital shortfall. This finding strongly indicates that MSRISK might underestimate potential capital shortfall, especially for sectors that are more sensitive to commodity price instead of stock market indices. Furthermore, the results from the Panel Vector Autoregressive (PVAR) suggest procyclical responses of capital shortfall toward shocks of global business cycles and uncertainties. The last analysis suggests that macroeconomic uncertainties positively increase firms' failure probability. Meanwhile, business cycles have mixed and sector-specific results.

The impact of excess reserves on the effectiveness of monetary policy transmission in Papua New Guinea

Date: 29 October

Presenter: Thomas Wangi (CAMA, PhD Student)

The banking system in Papua New Guinea has recorded extraordinary growth of excess reserves in recent years. The accumulation of high levels of excess reserves may have undesired implications on the effectiveness of monetary policy transmission. Hence, the paper presented in this seminar employs the structural VAR model to measure the effects of the structural one-standard-deviation shock to excess reserves on the lending rate, the private sector loans, the exchange rate, the CPI and real GDP using monthly data from January 2002 to December 2017.

The results found by the author show that the monetary policy shocks appear to be less efficient in influencing the outcome variables through the interest rate channel, especially the CPI and real GDP in the short horizon. Similarly, in the long run, the response of real GDP to the shocks is not consistent with theoretical expectations. The negligible effects establish that the existence of excess reserves weakens the transmission of monetary

policy in Papua New Guinea. The study suggests that in order to reduce excess reserves in the banking system, the central bank should consider policy interventions such as increasing the cash reserve requirement, raising the policy rate and improving the financial market system.

CAMA global webinars

Launch COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy Research Program

Date: 19 May 2020

Speakers: Creina Day (Australian National University), Francesco Ravazzolo (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy), Anella Munro (Asia School of Business, Malaysia), Joaquin Vespignani (University of Tasmania) and Warwick McKibbin (Australian National University)

To celebrate the launch of the new research program "COVID-19 and the macroeconomy" in the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis a Zoom panel is planned for Tuesday, May 19, 2020. Warwick McKibbin will present his new results with Roshen Fernando on the global economic consequences of the pandemic based on new data on how the crisis is unfolding. Renée Fry-McKibbin will then Chair a panel consisting of CAMA research associates Creina Day (Australian National University), Francesco Ravazzolo (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy), Anella Munro (Asia School of Business, Malaysia), Joaquin Vespignani (University of Tasmania) and Warwick McKibbin in a discussion of the longer-term issues going forward for the macroeconomy as the world recovers from the pandemic and economic crisis.

Testing responses through agent-based epidemiology (TRACE)

Date: 28 May 2020

Speaker: Ross Hammond, Brookings Institution, Washington DC

TRACE (Testing Responses through Agent-based Computational Epidemiology) is an agent-based computational model developed by a team from Brookings and Washington University in St. Louis, with the specific goal of providing insights into how policies that use testing and contract tracing might help contain the COVID-19 pandemic. It draws on the extensive body of evidence about both the current and past epidemics, and is also designed to manage a high degree of remaining uncertainty about some of the parameters it uses.

COVID-19 and policy choices

Day: 4 June 2020

Speakers: Daniel Rees (Bank for International Settlements), Hilde Bjornland (BI Norwegian Business School), James Morley (University of Sydney)

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 Norwegian 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-19 world in a panel discussion on June 4, 2020.

Nowcasting the output gap

Day: 11 June 2020

Speaker: Benjamin Wong, Monash University

In this seminar Benjamin Wong will propose a way to directly nowcast the output gap using the Beveridge-Nelson decomposition based on a mixed-frequency Bayesian VAR. The mixed-frequency approach produces very similar estimates of the U.S. output gap to those based on a quarterly model, but it is able to provide timely updates to estimates within a quarter as higher-frequency data become available. The author finds that the output gap nowcasts are much more reliable than those for output growth, with monthly indicators for a credit risk spread, consumer sentiment, and initial claims containing particularly useful information about the output gap. An out-of-sample analysis of the COVID-19 crisis anticipates huge declines in the US output gap in the first half of 2020 before quarterly real GDP is observed, with a scenario nowcast given data up to April 2020 implying an output gap of -28.8 per cent in 2020Q2.

Financial uncertainty and real activity: The good, the bad, and the ugly

Day: 18 June 2020 Speaker: Giovanni Caggiano, Monash University

The paper presented in this seminar quantifies the finance uncertainty multiplier (i.e., the magnifying effect of the real impact of uncertainty shocks due to financial frictions) by relying on two historical events related to the US economy, i.e., the large jump in financial uncertainty occurred in October 1987 (which was not accompanied by a deterioration of the credit supply conditions), and the comparable jump in financial uncertainty in September 2008 (which went hand-in-hand with an increase in financial stress). Working with a VAR framework and a set-identification strategy which focuses on - but it is not limited to - these two dates, Giovanni estimates the finance uncertainty multiplier to be equal to 2, i.e., credit supply disruptions are found to double the negative output response

to an uncertainty shock. The author then employs the model to estimate the overall economic cost of the COVID-19 uncertainty shock under different scenarios. The results point to the possibility of a cumulative yearly loss of industrial production as large as 31 per cent if credit supply gets disrupted. Liquidity interventions that keep credit conditions as healthy as they were before the COVID-19 uncertainty shock are found to substantially reduce such loss.

Global economic impacts of COVID-19

Day: 25 June 2020

Speakers: Ayhan Kose (World Bank), John Bluedorn (IMF) and Warwick McKibbin (ANU)

The World Bank recently released the *Global Economic Prospects Report*, and the IMF will release its *World Economic Outlook Report* on the day of this webinar. Both focus on the economic impacts of COVID-19 on the global economy. Meanwhile, Roshen Fernando and Warwick McKibbin have updated their scenarios of the progression of the pandemic on economic outcomes. Join the panel discussion featuring Ayhan Kose of the World Bank, John Bluedorn of the IMF and Warwick McKibbin from the ANU as they share their insights into likely economic outcomes of COVID-19.

Deploying stimulus for a better world

Day: 02 July 2020

Speakers: Barbara Buchner (Climate Policy Initiative), Frank Jotzo (ANU) and Adele Morris (Brookings Institution)

Economic recovery from COVID19 will require a massive global stimulus. Join Barbara Buchner (Climate Policy Initiative), Frank Jotzo (ANU) and Adele Morris (Brookings Institution) in a discussion on how the required stimulus presents an opportunity for governments to address the pressing need for solutions to climate change, while at the same time supporting economic recovery.

Checking the path towards recovery from the COVID-19 response

Day: 09 July 2020

Speakers: Enrique Martinez-Garcia (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas)

The paper presented in this seminar examines the impact of the behavioural changes and governments' responses to the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic using a unique dataset of daily private forecasters' expectations on a sample of 32 emerging and advanced economies from January 1 till April 13, 2020. Enrique documents three important lessons from the data: First, there is evidence of a relation between the stringency of the policy interventions and the health outcomes consistent with slowing down the spread of the pandemic. Second, the author finds robust evidence that private forecasters have come to anticipate a sizeable contraction in economic activity followed by a check mark recovery as

a result of the governments' increasingly stringent response. The evidence suggests also that workplace restrictions have further contributed to the downturn and to the subsequent sluggish recovery—opening up the question about the costs of tighter work restrictions. Finally, the author argues inflation expectations have not changed significantly so far. Through the lens of the neoclassical growth model, these changes in macro expectations can result from the resulting work disruptions and the potential productivity slowdown from the gradual de-escalation of the confinement.

Data, data science and COVID-19

Day: 16 July 2020

Speakers: Anthony Goldbloom (CEO and founder of Kaggle, the world's largest machine learning community), David Gruen (Australian Statistician and Agency Head of the Australian Bureau of Statistics), and Tara Sinclair (Associate Professor at George Washington University and Senior Fellow of the Indeed Hiring Lab)

The pace of evolution of COVID-19 has meant the need for new data and methods of analysing data more urgently than ever before. Our speakers are Anthony Goldbloom (CEO and founder of Kaggle, the world's largest machine learning community), David Gruen (Australian Statistician and Agency Head of the Australian Bureau of Statistics), and Tara Sinclair (Associate Professor at George Washington University and Senior Fellow of the Indeed Hiring Lab). Kaggle sets challenges related to COVID-19 for the machine learning community to solve, including a challenge sponsored by the White House. The Australian Bureau of Statistics has rapidly developed new statistical products to meet critical COVID-19 information needs, and economists and policymakers are looking to private sector data, such as real-time granular data on the labour market, for timely insights in these unprecedented times. Our speakers will share their substantial experience in their critical roles being on the frontline of COVID-19 and managing data.

International economic cooperation post Covid-19: A discussion panel

Day: 23 July 2020

Speakers: Cameron Hepburn (Oxford University), Beata Javorcik (Oxford University), Warwick McKibbin (ANU) and Christopher Adam (Oxford University)

In the current global crisis, many people have called for the kind of international economic cooperation evident during and after the Global Financial Crisis, cooperation which has been sadly lacking since the outbreak of the COVID-19 epidemic. But what would such cooperation involve? Our four speakers will aim to provide some answers, drawing on papers forthcoming in a special issue of the Oxford Review of Economic Policy on COVID-19 Economics (see https://academic.oup.com/oxrep/pages/About). Cameron Hepburn, a former Australian Rhodes Scholar, is Professor of Environmental Economics at Oxford University and Director of Oxford's Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment. He

will speak on climate economics, the possibility of a green post-COVID-19 recovery, and the UN Climate Change Conference, due to take place in Glasgow in November 2021 (COP26). Beata Javorcik is Professor of Economics at All Souls College, Oxford, and currently Chief Economist at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. She will discuss the severe contractions to trade finance already caused by COVID-19 and the resulting reductions in international trade, and will consider the protectionist pressures which COVID-19 is causing and the actions needed at the WTO to prevent these from gathering strength. Warwick McKibbin, AO, FASSA, is Professor of Public Policy and Director of the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis in Crawford School of Public Policy at The Australian National University. He will talk about the enhanced fiscal support which is now required in many emerging market economies, measures which would parallel the fiscal support already provided by most advanced economies, but which financial markets have prevented from taking place. Warwick will also discuss the G20 leadership, and IMF backing, which would be needed if such policies were to be adopted. Christopher Adam is Professor of Development Economics at Oxford University, and a Visiting Scholar at the IMF. He is also a member of the research programme on macroeconomic policy in low-income countries, conducted jointly by the IMF and the UK's Department for International Development. His talk will describe the very difficult macroeconomic adjustment which COVID-19 is forcing on countries in sub-Saharan Africa, and outline the additional aid and debt relief which these countries now desperately need. The Panel will be chaired by David Vines, Director of the Globalisation and Trade program in CAMA, a graduate of Melbourne University, who is Emeritus Professor of Economics at Balliol College in Oxford. At the time of the Global Financial Crisis, he was the Research Director of the European Union's Framework Seven PEGGED Research Programme on Global Economic Governance which brought together a number of economists to provide policy advice during that earlier period of turmoil.

Developing resilience to systemic hazards

Day: 27 August 2020

Speakers: Ann Florini (clinical professor at the Thunderbird School of Global Management, Arizona State University) and Sunil Sharma (distinguished visiting scholar at the Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University, and a senior associate at the Council on Economic Policies, Zurich, Switzerland)

Pandemics like COVID-19, economic crises, and environmental instability hit economies and societies hard, but we cannot predict precisely where or when. As politics, economics and natural systems become more complex, fragile and harder to manage, the world needs to develop strategies for resilience to such systemic hazards. Join Ann Florini and Sunil Sharma in a webinar to consider what principles and practices can build the resilience of our global society so desperately needs.

Japan's economic crisis and recovery

Day: 9 September 2020 **Speakers:** Toshitaka Sekine (Hitotsubashi University) and Sagiri Kitao (University of Tokyo) **Chair:** Ippei Fujiwara

This panel will discuss the economic crisis from the coronavirus pandemic and the recovery strategy for Japan. How does COVID-19 change the economic outlook in Japan? Does a relatively high rate of corporate savings in major Japanese firms put them in a better position than their foreign rivals? Will Japan's large government debt and limited capacity for fiscal expansion constrain the recovery process?

Toshitaka Sekine is a Professor in the Asian Public Policy Program at Hitotsubashi University. Prior to taking up the current position, he spent 33 years as an economist at the Bank of Japan, as well as at the BIS and the IMF. He was the Director-General of the Research and Statistics Department, equivalent to the "Chief Economist" of the Bank of Japan from 2015 until 2019. His research includes inflation dynamics, exchange-rate pass-through, corporate investment, and bank lending behaviour. He received a BA from the University of Tokyo and a DPhil from Oxford University.

Sagiri Kitao is a Professor of Economics at the University of Tokyo. Her main research focus is on macroeconomics, and her research covers topics such as income taxation, wealth distribution and inequality, demographic transitions, and social security reforms. She is the recipient of the Nakahara prize given to the Japanese economist under the age of 45, whose work has gained international recognition in 2016. Previously she worked as Assistant Professor at the University of Southern California's Marshall School of Business and Senior Economist at the Research Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. She received BA in political science from Waseda University, a Master's degree in Public Administration in International Development from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and a Ph.D. in economics from New York University.

This event is hosted by the Australia Japan Research Centre, ANU Japan Institute and the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis.

A counterfactual economic analysis of COVID-19 using a threshold augmented multi-country model

Day: 19 November 2020

Speakers: Hashem Pesaran (University of Southern California)

The paper presented in this seminar develops a threshold-augmented dynamic multicountry model (TGVAR) to quantify the macroeconomic effects of COVID-19. We show that there exist threshold effects in the relationship between output growth and excess global volatility at individual country levels in a significant majority of advanced economies and in the case of several emerging markets.

We estimate a more general multi-country model augmented with these threshold effects as well as long term interest rates, oil prices, exchange rates and equity returns to perform counterfactual analyses. We distinguish common global factors from traderelated spill overs and identify the COVID-19 shock using GDP growth forecast revisions of the IMF in 2020Q1. We account for sample uncertainty by bootstrapping the multicountry model estimated over four decades of quarterly observations.

The results found by the author show that the COVID-19 pandemic will lead to a significant fall in world output that is most likely long-lasting, with outcomes that are quite heterogenous across countries and regions. While the impact on China and other emerging Asian economies are estimated to be less severe, the United States, the United Kingdom, and several other advanced economies may experience deeper and longer-lasting effects. Non-Asian emerging markets stand out for their vulnerability. We show that no country is immune to the economic fallout of the pandemic because of global interconnections as evidenced by the case of Sweden. We also find that long-term interest rates could fall significantly below their recent lows in core advanced economies, but this does not seem to be the case in emerging markets.

Other webinars

COVID-19 webinar: Where to from here? Charting a course for resilience and recovery

Day: 29 April 2020 **Speakers:** Warwick McKibbin (ANU) **Where:** Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences

The global economy and COVID-19

Day: 21 July 2020 **Speakers:** Renee McKibbin (ANU) and Warwick McKibbin (ANU) **Where:** Australian National University

Mason Online Pandemic Modelling Forum: Global Macroeconomic Scenarios of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Day: 9 July 2020 Speaker: Warwick McKibbin (ANU) Where: George Mason University

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Arjuna W Mohottala	The Treasury	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Masayuki Morikawa	METI - Japan	Growth, Demographics and Productivity program
James Morley	The University of Sydney	COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Adele Morris	The Brookings Institution	Climate Change and Energy program
Solmaz Moslehi	Monash University	Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program, Growth, Demographics and Productivity program; and Macroeconomic Theory program
Anella Munro	Reserve Bank of New Zealand	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
James Nason	NC State University	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Rabindra Nepal	Massey University	Climate Change and Energy program
Bao Nguyen	The Australian National University	Commodities and the Macroeconomy program
Charles Nolan	University of Glasgow	Open Economy Macroeconomics program
Sylwia Nowak	International Monetary Fund	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Masao Ogaki	Keio University	Behavioural Macroeconomics and Complexity program
Franziska Ohnsorge	The World Bank	Open Economy Macroeconomics program
Tatsuyoshi Okimoto	The Australian National University	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and Commodities and the Macroeconomy program
Toshihiro Okubo	Keio University	Globalisation and Trade program
Chiara Oldani	University of Viterbo La Tuscia	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Denise Osborn	University of Manchester	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Gulcin Ozkan	The University of York	Open Economy Macroeconomics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Alessia Paccagnini	University College Dublin	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy

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Woong Yong Park	Seoul National University	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Laurent Pauwels	University of Sydney	Open Economy Macroeconomics program, Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Oscar Pavlov	University of Tasmania	Macroeconomic Theory program
Victor Pontines	South East Asian Central Banks (SEACEN)	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Aubrey Poon	University of Strathclyde	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Bruce Preston	University of Melbourne	COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Simon Price	University of Essex	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Christian R Proaño	Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg	Behavioural Macroeconomics and Complexity program
Mala Valliammai Raghavan	University of Tasmania	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and Commodities and the Macroeconomy program
Ronald A Ratti	University of Missouri	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Francesco Ravazzolo	Norges Bank (Central Bank of Norway)	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Eli Remolona	Asia School of Business - Malaysia	Finance and the Macroeconomy program and Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program
Tim Robinson	University of Melbourne	Open Economy Macroeconomics program, Commodities and the Macroeconomy program, and Model Uncertainty and Macro-Econometrics program
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John Romalis	The University of Sydney	Globalisation and Trade program
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Sherrill Shaffer	University of Wyoming	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
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Shuping Shi	Macquarie University	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Kalvinder K Shields	University of Melbourne	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Pierre Siklos	Wilfrid Laurier University	Finance and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Tara M Sinclair	The George Washington University	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
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Peter N Smith	The University of York	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
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John Stachurski	The Australian National University	Macroeconomic Theory program
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David Stern	The Australian National University	Climate Change and Energy program
Andrew Stoeckel	The Centre for International Economics	Commodities and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Rodney Strachan	The University of Queensland	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Satoshi Tanaka	University of Queensland	Macroeconomic Theory program
Kam Ki Tang	University of Queensland	Growth, Demographics and Productivity program
Lei Ming Chrismin Tang	University of Melbourne	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Yuki Teranishi	Keio University	Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program
Susan Thorp	University of Sydney	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Jing Tian	University of Tasmania	Finance and the Macroeconomy program

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Verity Todoroski	The Australian National University	Commodities and the Macroeconomy program
Brian Trung Duc Tran	University of Sydney	Commodities and the Macroeconomy program and Model Uncertainty and Macro-Econometrics program
Chung Tran	The Australian National University	Macroeconomic Theory program
Sirimon Treepongkaruna	The University of Western Australia	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Takayuki Tsuruga	Osaka University	Open Economy Macroeconomics program
Rod Tyers	The University of Western Australia	Multi-Country Models and Methods program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Kozo Ueda	Waseda University	Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program
Lawrence Uren	University of Melbourne	Macroeconomic Theory program
Shaun Vahey	The University of Warwick	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Farshid Vahid	Monash University	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
Abbas Valadkhani	Swinburne University of Technology	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
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Joaquin Vespignani	University of Tasmania	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Vladimir Volkov	University of Tasmania	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Yuichiro Waki	The University of Queensland	Macroeconomic Theory program
Sumila Wanaguru	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Mark Weder	University of Adelaide	Macroeconomic Theory program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Peter Wilcoxen	Syracuse University	Multi-Country Models and Methods program, and Climate Change and Energy program
John C Williams	Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco	Macroeconomic Theory program, and Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics program
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Benjamin Wong	Monash University	Commodities and the Macroeconomy program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
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Alan Woodland	University of New South Wales	Globalisation and Trade program
Tomasz Wozniak	University of Melbourne	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics
Eliza Wu	University of Technology Sydney	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Juanyi (Jenny) Xu	Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Open Economy Macroeconomics program
Ying Xu	The Treasury	Finance and the Macroeconomy program
Akira Yakita	Nanzan University	Growth, Demographics and Productivity program
Akhtar Zaman	Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology	Globalisation and Trade program
Francesco Zanetti	University of Oxford	Macroeconomic Policy Frameworks program
Bo Zhang	Shanghai University	Model Uncertainty and Macro- Econometrics
Jasmine Zheng	Deloitte Access Economics	COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Yixiao Zhou	The Australian National University	Multi-Country Models and Methods program, Globalisation and Trade program, and COVID-19 and the Macroeconomy
Daniel Zizzo	Newcastle University	Behavioural Macroeconomics and Complexity program

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Alexander Chudik

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Funding

The table below summarizes CAMA funding for 2020.

Income	
Student fees	0.00
Other income	434,809.68
Internal sales	0.00
Transfer from other	118,688.00
Internal allocations	35,187.00
Operating grant	0.00
Investment income	0.00
Total Income	588,684.68
Expenses	
Salaries and related costs	469,155.34
Equipment - capital	0.00
Equipment - non-capital	707.27
Scholars expenses	74,784.68
Utilities and maintenance	0.00
Travel field & survey expenses	49,922.64
Expendable research materials	0.00
Contributions	10,000.00
Consultancies	2,800.00
Consumables	13,277.85
Depn & amort	0.00
Internal purchases	5,471.49
Other expenses	7,507.35
Contingency	0.00
Total Expenditure	633,626.62
Current year operating result	(44,941.94)
Transfer inflow/outflow	0.00
Net current year operating result	(44,941.94)
Prior year cash result	283,080.54
Net operating position	238,138.60

CAMA by numbers

In 2020 CAMA:

Published 111 working papers and 6 newsletters

attracted 25 new affiliates

hosted, sponsored or participated in 28 events, including 3 seminars, 23 webinars and 2 conferences

received 1 visitor

was followed by 599 Twitter users

was a team of 227 research associates

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