

Macroeconomics Seminar Series
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Tentative schedule for Fall 2003
This version: October 29, 2003

Thursday, September 11 **Frank Diebold** (University of Pennsylvania)
"Financial Asset Returns, Market Timing, and Volatility Dynamics."
3:30 pm, Federal Reserve Research Conference Room

Thursday-Friday, October 16-17 **Fall Policy Conference** (Invitation Only)
Michael Woodford (Princeton University) "Inflation Targeting: A Theoretical Evaluation"
Andrew Levin (Board of Governors) and **Jeremy Piger** (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis)
"The Economic Performance of Inflation Targeting Countries"
Kenneth Kuttner (Federal Reserve Bank of New York) and **Adam Posen** (Institute for
International Economics) "The Role of Policy Rules in Inflation Targeting"
Dale Henderson (Board of Governors) "Inflation Targeting: A critical View"
Laurence Meyer (Center for Strategic and International Studies) "Practical Problems and
Obstacles to Inflation Targeting"

Wednesday, October 29 **Ana Herrera** (Michigan State University)
"Predicting U.S. Recessions Using an Autoregressive Conditional Binomial Model."
2:00 pm, Federal Reserve Research Conference Room

Friday, October 31 **Yi Wen** (Cornell University)
"Understanding the Inventory Cycle."
3:00 pm, Eliot 300, Washington University

Tuesday, November 4 **David Lopez-Salido** (Bank of Spain)
"Rule-of-Thumb Consumers and the Design of Interest Rate Rules."
2:00 pm, Federal Reserve Research Conference Room

Thursday, November 6 **Simon Potter** (Federal Reserve Bank of New York)
"Estimating Multiple Change Point Models With an Unknown Number of Change Points."

2:00 pm, Federal Reserve Research Conference Room

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