INTERNATIONAL MONETARY STABILITY: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE A POLICY CONFERENCE

May 5, 2016, Stauffer Auditorium, Herbert Hoover Memorial Building

Background The world economy has recently been experiencing highly volatile foreign exchange and capital markets, a spread of unusual monetary policy actions, and disappointing growth and stability. These developments have led to a host of policy proposals ranging from reforms of the international monetary system built on rules-based monetary policy in each country to more interventions in the form of capital controls, exchange market actions, and macro-prudential regulations. The aim of the conference is to examine these recent developments and consider policy options.

Thursday, May 5

8:00 AM Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM Monetary Policy Indepedendence under Flexible Exchange Rates

Presenter: Sebastian Edwards, University of California, Los Angeles

Lead Discussant: David Papell, University of Houston

9:30 AM Break

9:45 AM The International Impact of the Fed When the U.S. Is Banker to the World

Presenters: David Beckworth, Mercatus Center

Christopher Crowe, Capula Investment Management

Lead Discussant: Christopher Erceg, Federal Reserve Board

10:45 AM Break

11:00 AM A Journey Down the Slippery Slope to the European Crisis

Presenters: Varadarajan Chari, University of Minnesota

Patrick Kehoe, Stanford University

Lead Discussant: Harald Uhlig, University of Chicago

12:00-12:45 PM Lunch

12:45 PM Global Imbalances and Currency Wars at the ZLB

Presenter: Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas, University of California, Berkeley Lead Discussant: John Cochrane, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

1:45 PM Monetary Policy Cooperation and Coordination: A Historical Perspective

on the Importance of Rules

Presenters: Michael Bordo, Rutgers University

Catherine Schenk, University of Glasgow

Lead Discussant: Allan Meltzer, Carnegie-Mellon University

2:45 PM Break

3:00 PM Panel on Rules-Based International Monetary Reform

Panelists: John Taylor, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

Richard Clarida, Columbia University

George Shultz, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

4:00 PM Break

4:15 PM Panel on International Monetary Policy and Reform in Practice

Panelists: James Bullard, President, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Robert Kaplan, President, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas Dennis Lockhart, President, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta John Williams, President, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

5:30 PM ADJOURN

6:00 PM RECEPTION AND DINNER