

The Contributions of Economic Fundamentals to Movements in Asset Prices

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(Refreshments provided from 12:30pm)

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Venue: School of Business and Economics, BE0.53

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Academic Background

Mark Wohar is Professor at the University of Nebraska, Omaha in the Division of Economic and Financial Analysis. His research covers econometrics, finance and economics. Mark's research focuses on the modelling and forecasting of Financial and Economic time series such as Stock Returns, Interest Rates and Exchange Rates. Mark is the author of about 100 refereed journal articles including publications in leading journals such as: Journal of Finance, American Economic Review, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics and Journal of Money, Credit and Banking. Mark has also published in Management Science journals such as Journal of Forecasting and International Journal of Forecasting.

Abstract:

The contribution that fundamentals have on movements in asset prices is a key research issue in Financial Economics. Two different methods are commonly adopted in the literature to address this issue: Vector autoregressions (VAR) and State-space models (with Bayesian updating). The presentation will provide an overview of the current literature and re-examine the evidence for Stock Returns and Exchange rates. The importance of low-frequency movements in fundamentals for asset prices will be emphasised. The inference in applications to Stock Returns and Exchange rates are sensitive to whether and how low-frequency movements are modelled.

Meeting Mark:

Mark will be visiting the School of Business and Economics from 11-15 July. He will be happy to meet with colleagues here during his visit. There will also be a seminar dinner which colleagues in the School will be most welcome to join us for. Please contact Andrew Vivian (a.j.vivian@lboro.ac.uk) for further information.