Monetary Economics: Macro Aspects

Preliminary reading list

This is the preliminary plan and reading list for the masters course “Monetary Economics: Macro Aspects,” Spring 2009.

Note, however, first the following pieces of relevant information:

a) The main text will be Carl Walsh (2003): “Monetary Theory and Policy. Second edition”; so this you need to buy. In addition, several journal articles and working papers will be on the reading list. The journal articles are all available through the Institute’s library (most in electronic form), while unpublished working papers will be available on the web site of the course.

b) The web site of the course is www.econ.ku.dk/personal/henrikj/monec2009/, and it will be essential to visit this site on a regular basis (2-3 times a week), as it will be frequently updated and contain lots of relevant information.

c) The curriculum may change slightly during the course (most likely in the form of various reductions, as well as most articles being “only” recommended readings). Hence it is not advisable to acquire all the articles of the reading list at once.
Subjects and Literature

S1. Introduction and “Does monetary policy matter for output and prices?”

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapter 1); Romer and Romer (2004)

S2. Money’s role in flexible-price general equilibrium models

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapters 2 and 3)

S3. Money’s role with incomplete nominal adjustment

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapter 5).

S4. Credibility problems in monetary policy

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapter 8).

S5. Operating Procedures, Interest Rates and Monetary Policy

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapters 9 and 10); Taylor (1993); Clarida et al. (1998), Svensson (1997)

S6. Monetary policy conduct in “New Keynesian” settings

   Literature: Clarida et al. (1999); Walsh (2003, Chapter 11)

S7. Open-economy Aspects and Monetary Policy Coordination

   Literature: Walsh (2003, Chapter 6); Benigno (2002); Obstfeld and Rogoff (2002); Clarida et al. (2002).
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