

Banque de France - Bank of Japan: converging views

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Opening speeches

Christian NOYER, governor, Banque de France
Toshihiko FUKUI, governor, Bank of Japan
Yutaka IIMURA, ambassador of Japan in France

First session : *The Banque de France and the Bank of Japan: construction and co-operation*

Moderators Michel MARGAIRAZ, professor, University of Paris VIII
Yasuo GONJŌ, professor, Yokohama National University

The emergence of the role of central banks

Speakers Alain PLESSIS, emeritus professor, University of Paris X
The Banque de France and the French economy in the 19th century
kanji ISHII, professor, University of Tokyo, Economics Faculty
The system and functions of the central bank in modern Japan (1882-1914)

The extension of central banking functions after the Second World War

Speakers Olivier FEIERTAG, professor, University of Rouen
and Historical Research Unit of the Banque de France (*Mission historique*)
The Banque de France in the international monetary system
kazuhiko YAGO, professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University
*Central bank co-operation after the Second World War:
a comparison of strategies between Japan and France*

Second session: *The French and Japanese economies in a globalised world*

Moderators Denise FLOUZAT, emeritus professor, University of Paris I
and administrator of the Fondation Banque de France
Tsuyoshi NAKAI, JETRO Paris

Productivity growth in France, Japan and the major industrialised countries

Speakers Gilbert CETTE, Banque de France
*A comparison of productivity growth in France, Japan,
the United Kingdom and the United States over the past century*
(presentation of an article by Jacques MAÏRESSE, Yusuf KOCOGLU and Gilbert CETTE)
Takuji KAWAMOTO, Bank of Japan
Japan's productivity revival in the 2000s: is information technology the story?
(presentation of an article by Takuji FUEKI, and Takuji KAWAMOTO)

Regional economic integration, an answer to globalisation

Speakers Benoît CŒURÉ, Ministry of the Economy, Finance and Employment
The integration of financial markets: the European experience
Hitoshi SASAKI, Bank of Japan
Interdependence of production and income in Asia-Pacific economies
(presentation of an article by Tomoko MORI et Hitoshi SASAKI)

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