

Programme
12th International Research Conference
Central Bank of Sri Lanka – 09 December 2019

08:45 a.m.	Arrival of Delegates
08:50 a.m.	Lighting of the Oil Lamp
08:55 a.m.	National Anthem
09:00 a.m.	Welcome Address Dr. Chandranath Amarasekara <i>Director of Economic Research, Central Bank of Sri Lanka</i>
09:05 a.m.	Inaugural Address Dr. Indrajit Coomaraswamy <i>Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka</i>
09:15 a.m.	Guest Speech – Recent Global Monetary Policy Issues and Challenges Prof. Sayuri Shirai <i>Professor, Keio University; Visiting scholar at the Asian Development Bank Institute; and former Member of the Policy Board of the Bank of Japan</i>
09:40 a.m.	Guest Speech – Central Banking: from Research to Economic/Financial Literacy Mr. Marc-Olivier Strauss-Kahn <i>Honorary Director General of Banque de France and former Chief Economist of Banque de France</i>
	Presentation of Tokens of Appreciation to Guest Speakers
	Presentation of Central Bank Staff Studies (Volume 48, No. 1 - 2018 and No. 2 - 2018) to Governor
10:05 a.m.	Group Photograph (By invitation) and Refreshments

10:25 a.m.

Session I:

Chair: Mr. K M M Siriwardana

Assistant Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Uncertainty Shocks and Monetary Policy Rules in a Small Open Economy

Presented by Dr. Sargam Gupta

Discussant: Dr. E W K J B Ehelepola

Decoding Policy Puzzles and Monetary Policy Transmission in Sri Lanka through Time-Varying Dynamics

Co-authors: Sujeetha Jegajeevan, W S Navin Perera and K K C Sineth Kannangara

Presented by Dr. Sujeetha Jegajeevan

Discussant: Dr. Abhinav Narayanan

Death and Taxes: Does Taxation Matter for Firm Survival?

Co-authors: Serhan Cevik and Fedor Miryugin

Presented by Dr. Serhan Cevik

Discussant: Mr. Long Hai Vo

12:00 noon

Lunch at the “Loft”, Central Bank of Sri Lanka

01:00 p.m.

Session II:

Chair: Mrs. T M J Y P Fernando

Assistant Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Monetary Policy and Inflation-Output Variability in Developing Economies: Lessons from Sri Lanka

Co-authors: Kesavarajah Mayandy and Paul Middleditch

Presented by Mr. Kesavarajah Mayandy

Discussant: Dr. Sam Hak Kan Tang

How Productive is Public Investment? Evidence from Indian Manufacturing

Co-authors: Santanu Chatterjee, Thomas Lebesmuehlbacher and Abhinav Narayanan

Presented by Dr. Abhinav Narayanan

Discussant: Dr. S P Y W Senadheera

Sri Lanka's Sources of Growth: The Application of Primal and Dual Total Factor Productivity Growth Accounting Approaches

Co-authors: Thilini Sumudu Kumari and Sam Hak Kan Tang

Presented by Ms. Thilini Sumudu Kumari and Dr. Sam Hak Kan Tang

Discussant: Dr. Sargam Gupta

Fundamental Drivers of International Price and Consumption Disparities

Presented by Mr. Long Hai Vo

Discussant: Dr. L R C Pathberiya

03:00 p.m.

Refreshments

03:20 p.m.

Presentation Ceremony

Chair: Dr. P Nandalal Weerasinghe

Senior Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Presentation of Tokens of Appreciation to Researchers and Discussants

Presentation of the Best Paper Award

Evaluation Panel:

Prof. Sirimal Abeyratne, Professor, University of Colombo; and Chairman of the Monetary Policy Consultative Committee (MPCC), Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Prof. Sayuri Shirai, Professor, Keio University; Visiting scholar at the Asian Development Bank Institute; and former Member of the Policy Board of the Bank of Japan

Mr. Marc-Olivier Strauss-Kahn, Honorary Director General of Banque de France and former Chief Economist of Banque de France

Presentation of Certificates to the participants of the course on 'Research in Economics'

03:40 p.m.

Vote of Thanks

Dr. P K G Harischandra

Additional Director of Economic Research, Central Bank of Sri Lanka

07:00 p.m.

Conference Dinner (By invitation)