Essex EC248-2-SP Class 5

Discussing and Assigning Class Presentations

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Central Banking Today: Major Cases

- The Large (Closed) Economy Case
 - European Central Bank (ECB)
 - Bank of Japan (BoJ)
 - [Federal Reserve System (Fed): partly covered in lectures]
- The Small (Open) Economy Case
 - Bank of England (BoE)
 - Swiss National Bank (SNB)
 - some other bank if any of you has a particular interest in

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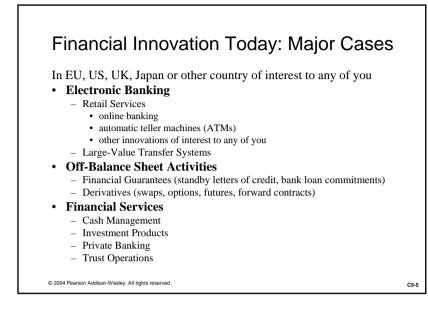
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Central Banking Today: Key Topics

- Focus of presentations/discussions on a particular **central bank** or aspect(s) of it, e.g.,
 - Historical/functional evolution
 - Structure and independence (legal and actual)
 - Monetary policy
 - goals (ultimate)
 - targets (intermediate)
 - instruments (operating)
 - tools (conceptual)
 - Involvement in banking/financial sector regulation

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Class Presentations: Organisation • **Teams** of 2-3 persons (each person may present an aspect) • Depending on your wish to participate and the topics chosen, during one class we could have: - either two presentations of about 20 minutes each - or **one presentation** of some 30 minutes - followed by 10-15 minutes of questions and general discussion • Another possibility: present an interesting or recent paper on any subject *related* to the topics covered in our course • **Open dates** for (potential) class presentations are thus: - 22 Feb: on central banking or paper - 1 Mar: on central banking or paper - 8 Mar: on financial innovation or paper - 15 Mar: on financial innovation or paper • 22 Mar: last class intended for revision/questions Send me e-mails with your ideas and suggestions! • Slides/notes you prepare could be posted on the course website! © 2004 Pearson Addison-Wesley. All rights reserved C5-6