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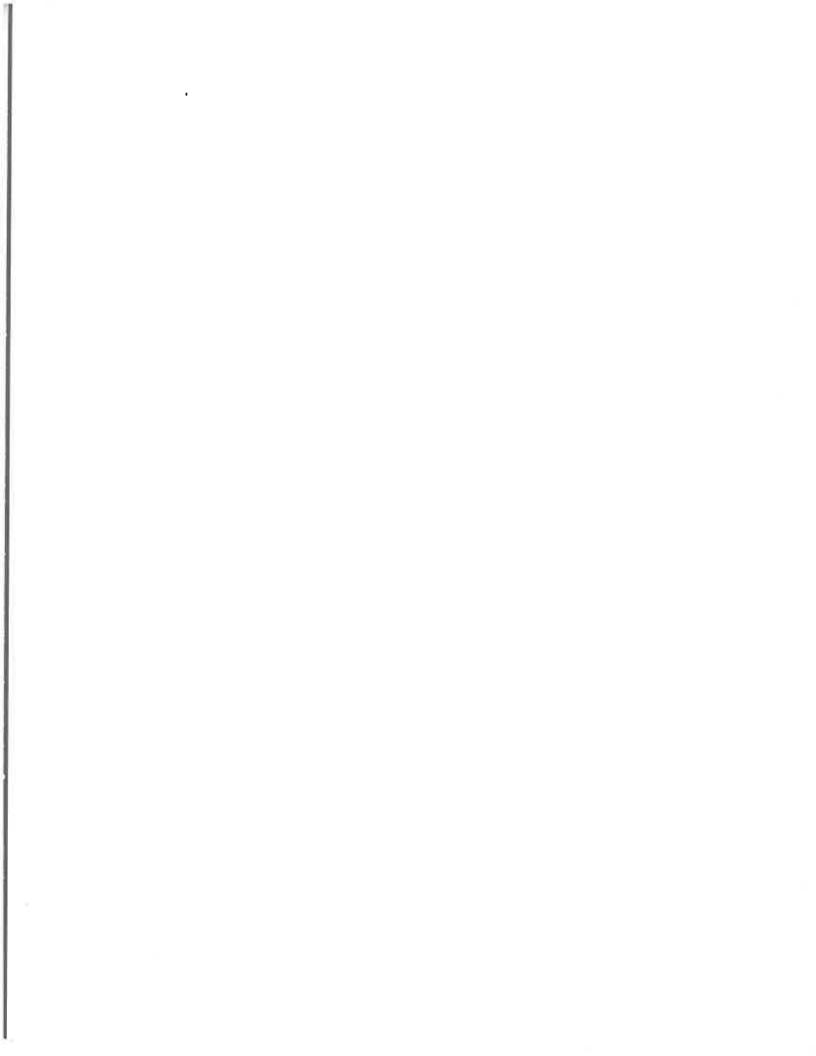




A Conference of The Jerome Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

FINANCING PROSPERITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

March 4-6, 1993



THE JEROME LEVY ECONOMICS INSTITUTE of Bard College

FINANCING PROSPERITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

A Conference of the Jerome Levy Economics Institute to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Banking Crisis of 1933

The Institute has organized two previous conferences as part of its public policy research program, The Reconstitution of the Financial Structure, under the direction of Hyman P. Minsky. The first conference, "The Crisis in Finance: The Nature and Necessity of Financial Reform" was held in April 1991. The conference was a response to the pressing need for an agenda for reform of the financial system in light of the report released by the Treasury outlining administration proposals for changes in the financial system. A second conference followed in November 1991 on "Restructuring the Financial Structure for Economic Growth." The task of that conference was to begin formulating policies to reinvigorate the financial system and the economy.

The third conference is being held on the 60th anniversary of the Banking Crisis of 1933. This conference will review the events which led to the banking crisis and the subsequent legislation of the Emergency Banking Act, the Banking Act of 1933, the Banking Act of 1935, and other related legislation. This structure produced the longest period of financial stability in U.S. history, lasting nearly one half of a century, and because of this success, it is important to understand the events which led to those reforms. Further, the reforms implemented in the past decade have been piecemeal, and the proposals that are on the table at present do not represent measures for long term reform.

The conference has two goals: provide an understanding of why the banking reforms enacted during the 1930s were so successful; and present a set of policy proposals which will provide the institutional provisions for both the financing of the capital development of the economy and a safe payments system. The goals for this conference are ambitious, but we believe that fundamental reforms are integral to the establishment of a financial structure to carry us well into the 21st century.

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March 4-6, 1993

THURSDAY, MARCH 4th

REGISTRATION

9:00 am

OPENING REMARKS

10:00 am - 10:15 am

DIMITRI B. PAPADIMITRIOU, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

PURPOSE OF THE

10:15 am - 10:30 am

CONFERENCE HYMAN P. MINSKY, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute

of Bard College

SESSION I

10:30 am - 12:00 noon

The 1930s Reforms as a Package: Overview from Economic History

Chair: ALEX POLLOCK, Federal Home Loan Bank Board of Chicago

RICHARD SYLLA, New York University--"The 1930s Financial

Reforms in Historical Perspective"

DISCUSSION

DAVID WHEELOCK, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and The University of

Texas at Austin

RANDALL KROSZNER, The University of Chicago

LUNCH

12:00 noon - 2:00 pm

Speaker: S JAY LEVY, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute

of Bard College

THURSDAY, MARCH 4th--continued

SESSION II

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Federal Deposit Insurance

Chair: HYMAN P. MINSKY, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute

of Bard College

MARK FLOOD, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis--"The Great

Deposit Insurance Debate"

DISCUSSION

RICHARD NELSON, Wells Fargo Bank

STEVEN FAZZARI, Washington University-St. Louis

BREAK

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

SESSION III

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

The Chicago Plan for Banking Reform and its Derivatives

Chair: JAMES TOBIN, Yale University

RONNIE J. PHILLIPS, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute of Bard College and Colorado State University--"The Chicago Plan and New Deal

Banking Reform"

KENNETH SPONG, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City--"Narrow

Banks: An Alternative Approach to Banking Reform"

DISCUSSION

ALBERT GAILORD HART, Columbia University

ROBERT E. LITAN, Brookings Institution

RECEPTION &

DINNER

6:00 pm

Speaker: JOHN WEICHER, General Accounting Office

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1993

COFFEE 8:30 am - 9:00 am

OPENING REMARKS 9:00 am - 9:15 am

DIMITRI B. PAPADIMITRIOU, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute

of Bard College

SESSION IV 9:15-10:30

The Current State of Banking Reform

Chair: R. ALTON GILBERT, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

GEORGE G. KAUFMAN, Loyola University of Chicago--"The Current

State of Banking Reform"

DISCUSSION ARTHUR ROLNICK, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

BARBARA TIMMER, ITT Corporation

BREAK 10:30 am - 11:00 am

SESSION V 11:00 am - 12:30 am

Regulatory Design

Chair: BERNARD SHULL, Hunter College

CATHERINE ENGLAND, England Economics--"Designing a Regulatory

Structure for the Next Sixty Years"

DISCUSSION PHILIP F. BARTHOLOMEW, Congressional Budget Office

LARRY MOTE, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

LUNCH 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Speaker: GEORGE SURGEON, Southern Development Bancorporation

SESSION VI 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

The International Dimension

Chair: IAN GIDDY, New York University

GERARD CAPRIO, The World Bank and LAWRENCE SUMMERS, U. S.

Treasury--"Finance and Its Reform: Beyond Laissez-Faire"

DISCUSSION DONALD J. MATHIESON, International Monetary Fund

ANTHONY SAUNDERS, New York University

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1993--continued

BREAK

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

SESSION VII

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Roundtable on Policy Options for Financial Reform

Chair: DIMITRI B. PAPADIMITRIOU, The Jerome Levy Economics

Institute of Bard College

WALTER CADETTE, Morgan Guaranty RICHARD PETERSON, Continental Bank

RICHARD RANDALL, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

RECEPTION & DINNER

6:00 pm

Speaker: The Honorable WILLIAM PROXMIRE

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1993

COFFEE

8:30 am - 9:00 am

OPENING REMARKS

9:00 am - 9:15 am

DIMITRI B. PAPADIMITRIOU, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute of

Bard College

SESSION VIII

9:15 am - 10:30 am

Political Economy of Financial Reform

Chair: JANE D'ARISTA, Boston University

GILLIAN G. GARCIA, Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, US

Senate--"The Political Economy of Financial Reform in the US and the UK"

DISCUSSION

DAVID P. APGAR, Lehman Brothers

TOM SCHLESINGER, Southern Finance Project

BREAK

10:30 am - 11:00 am

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1993--continued

SESSION IX

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Setting the Policy Agenda

Chair: RICHARD S. CARNELL, Committee on Banking, Housing and

Urban Affairs, U.S. Senate

JAMES R. BARTH, Auburn University and R. DAN BRUMBAUGH,

Consultant--"The Changing World of Banking: Setting the Regulatory Agenda"

DISCUSSION

JAMES K. GALBRAITH, The University of Texas at Austin

GARY DYMSKI, The University of California at Riverside

LUNCH

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Speaker: JOHN BIGGS, TIAA/CREF

List of Participants

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