Annual Economics Alumni Forum

Monday, November 18 6:00-7:15pm Panel discussion, Sharpless Auditorium 7:15pm Reception, KINSC Rotunda

Central Bank Independence: Monetary Policy and Financial Stability

Panelists:

Iqbal Zaidi '76
Princeton University

Laurie Pounder DeMarco '95

Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Moderator:

Daniel Stackman '14

New York University Ph.D. candidate The Economist recently reported that "The independence of central banks is under threat from politics. That is bad news for the world." Our alumni panelists will discuss central bank independence and why it matters for monetary policy and financial stability, in the US and globally.

Laurie Pounder will draw from her experience working at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve to discuss independence in financial stability/bank regulation. Iqbal Zaidi, who has worked at the International Monetary Fund and the State Bank of Pakistan, will speak about independence in monetary policy and the interaction of monetary and fiscal policy, taking an emerging markets perspective.

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