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IMF Economic Review
...the new official research publication of the International Monetary Fund,
launching in 2010, and now open for submissions

The IMF has announced that its official research journal, *IMF Staff Papers*, will be succeeded in mid-2010 by a new significantly enhanced and redesigned research publication – *IMF Economic Review*.

IMF Economic Review will be dedicated to publishing peer-reviewed, high-quality, academic research on open economy macroeconomics. It aspires to publish the leading academic research and authors in the field. Given the IMF's unique position, this journal will be required reading for everyone interested in questions related to global economic policies, open economy macroeconomics, and international finance and trade.

Olivier J. Blanchard, Economic Counsellor and Director, Research Department commented: *"To navigate the global crisis, and to take the best policy decisions, will require mobilizing and extending the knowledge we have about open economy macro, from the implications of liquidity traps, to the dangers of large fiscal deficits, to macro-financial interactions, to the contours of a better international monetary and financial system. My hope and my expectation is that the IMF Economic Review will be central to the effort."*

IMF Economic Review will emphasize rigorous analysis with an empirical orientation that is of interest to a broad audience, including academics and policymakers. Studies that borrow from, and interact with, other fields such as finance, international trade, political economy, labour, economic history or development will also be welcome.

The journal has a new high caliber editorial team. It will be led by Editor, Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas, Professor of Economics at the University of California, Berkeley. Gourinchas, a leading emerging talent in macroeconomic and financial research, was awarded the 2007 Bernácer Prize for the best European economist working in macroeconomics and finance under the age of 40. The new Editorial Board, including distinguished researchers from academia and the IMF, will be announced shortly.

Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas stated: *"There is great need for a rigorous academic publication that addresses the key global macro questions of our times. This is what the IMF Economic Review aims to be."*

Maurice Obstfeld, Professor of Economics at the University of California, Berkeley, commented: *"IMF Economic Review is devoted to state-of-the-art research on the global economy. Given the Fund's unique position on the front lines of surveillance and crisis management, anyone interested in international economic policy or in macroeconomics more generally will find this journal to be essential reading."*

Publication details

IMF Economic Review is now open for submissions, which will be subject to strict peer review. The *Review* will work in close coordination with the IMF's Annual Research Conference and other conferences organized by the IMF.

IMF Economic Review will publish its first issue in the second half of 2010. The publication is a subscription product, available online and in print from Palgrave Macmillan. *IMF Economic Review* will succeed *IMF Staff Papers*, which will cease publication prior to the publication of the first issue of *IMF Economic Review*.

A 2010 subscription will comprise four issues: two issues of *IMF Staff Papers* (Volume 57, issues 1-2); and then followed by the first two issues of *IMF Economic Review* (Volume 58, issues 1-2).

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