František Brázdik

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WORK Experience Senior Economist
Prague, Czech Republic

Czech National Bank October 2010 – Today

Macroeconomic forecasting and development of forecasting tools and models, Own research and research assistance, Lecturing on monetary policy tools, Providing technical assistance to other departments and central banks

Supervisor: Tibor Hlédik

PhD. Study Lecturer Prague, Czech Republic CERGE-EI, Charles University September 2013 – February 2014

Teaching Econometrics of time series course

 $Senior\ Economist$

European Central Bank

Frankfurt am Main, Germany

August 2012 – December 2012

Development of macroeconomic forecasting tools, Modeling emerging Asia countries

Supervisor: Stelios Makrydakis

Senior Analyst - Team leader

Czech National Bank

Prague, Czech Republic

October 2010 – December 2011

Leading the team responsible for quarterly macroeconomic analysis and forecasts,

Providing research support (model and tools creation) for other members of department,

Providing technical assistance for other central banks,

Lecturing at Czech National Bank seminars on inflation targeting, modeling and data analyzing

Supervisor: Tibor Hlédik

Senior Analyst
Prague, Czech Republic

Czech National Bank

May 2008 – October 2010

Analyst

Czech National Bank

Prague, Czech Republic

September 2007 – May 2008

Operating quarterly projection model,

Lecturing at technical courses of CNB,

Representing CNB at European Central Bank Working Group on Forecasting, Managing tools for delivering the results of forecasting exercises

Supervisor: Tibor Hlédik

František Brázdik

Junior Researcher

CERGE-EI

Prague, Czech Republic

May 2005 – December 2007

Research on monetary and economic unions,

Own teaching and serving as teaching assistant for courses in macroeconomics and modeling techniques

Supervisor: Michal Kejak

EDUCATION

Ph.D. degree, Economic Theories, November 2009,

Centre for Economic Research and Graduate Education - Economic Institute (CERGE-EI), Charles University, Prague

M.A. degree, Economic Theories, June 2006,

Centre for Economic Research and Graduate Education, Charles University, Prague

Mgr. degree, Economic and Financial Mathematics, June 2001

Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Informatics of the Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

Additional Courses Financial Crises and Credit Frictions in Open Economies, December 2014, Istanbul School of Central Banking, Turkey

Advanced Topics in Macroeconometrics, February 2012, Study Center Gerzensee, Swiss National Bank, Switzerland

Exchange Rate Economics, April 2009, International Monetary Fund, Washington D.C., USA

Estimation Of Dynamic Macroeconomic Models II: Nonlinear Methods, September 2007, The Center for Monetary and Financial Studies (CEMFI), Madrid, Spain

International Summer School 2006 on Monetary Theory and Policy, June 2006, Center for European Integration Studies, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms University, Bonn, Germany

Research stay at Center for Financial Studies, J. W. Goethe University of Frankfurt am Main, November 2005–February 2006, supervisor: Volker Wieland

Summer school, Macroeconomic stability and Stability Pact, May 2003 European Youth School, Carpi, Italy

Summer school, Sustainable growth, September 1999 7^{th} Slovak Summer School of Economics, Stupava, Slovakia

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SKILLS

- Languages: Slovak language native speaker, fluent English, excellent Czech, basic German, reading in Russian
- Certificates: University of Cambridge, Certificate in Advanced English (Council of Europe Level C1)
- Computer Skills: MATLAB, SVN, STATA, TSP, S+, MS Office, Mathematica, Linux
- Programming: Python, C++, Pascal, Basic
- Simulation environments: Dynare, Dynare++, IRIS and Uhlig's Toolbox
- Typesetting package LATEX

Personal Interests

- Sports: Basketball, in-line skating, snowboarding, ice hockey, surfing
- Culture: Books and movies, backpacking
- Award: Jánsky Silver Medal by Red Cross for blood donation

Memberships

- CSTUG Czechoslovak T_FX Users Group
- European Economic Association (2005–Today)
- Econometric Society (2005–2009)

Fellowship

• World Bank Fellowship, 2003

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Modeling and forecasting methods, Macroeconomic stability, Monetary economics, Operations research and numerical methods with applications in economics

RESEARCH GRANTS

Decomposing Forecast Updates Within the Structural Model Framework; F. Brázdik and Z. Humplová and F. Kopřiva, Czech National Bank Research Project No. $\rm B1/2013$

Monetary Policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics in Selected CEE Countries; V. Audzei and F. Brázdik; Global Development Network, No. RRC14+56

Solutions to monetary models and proper choice of state variables; F. Brázdik; supervisor: M. Kejak; Charles University Grant Agency,#84508, 2008

Monetary policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics: The Exchange Rate as Shock Absorber; V. Audzei and F. Brázdik; Czech National Bank Research Project No. $\rm A5/2007$

The Effects of an Anticipated Future Change in Monetary Policy Regime; J. Antal and F. Brázdik; Czech National Bank Research Project No. A2/2005

ARTICLES

- F. Brázdik and V. Audzei, Monetary Policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics: The Exchange Rate as a Shock Absorber, Czech Journal of Economics and Finance, 2014, forthcoming
- F. Brázdik, M. Hlaváček, A. Maršál, Survey of Research on Financial Sector Modeling within DSGE Models: What Central Banks Can Learn from It, Czech Journal of Economics and Finance, 2012, vol. 62/3
- F. Brázdik, Announced Regime switch: Optimal policy for transition period, Czech Journal of Economics and Finance, 2011, vol. 61/5

WORKING PAPERS

- F. Brázdik and V. Audzei, Exchange Rate Dynamics and its Effect on Macroeconomic Volatility in Selected CEE Countries, CNB Working paper series, forthcoming
- F. Brázdik, Expected Regime Change: Transition Toward Nominal Exchange Rate Stability, CNB Working paper series #2, 2013
- F. Brázdik and V. Audzei, Monetary Policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics: The Exchange Rate as a Shock Absorber, CNB Working paper series #9, 2012
- F. Brázdik, Announced Regime switch: Optimal policy for transition period, CERGE-EI Working paper series #402, October 2009
- F. Brázdik and J. Antal, $Macroeconomic\ Stability$: $Transition\ Towards\ the\ Nominal\ Exchange\ Rate\ Stability$, CERGE-EI Working paper series #368, October 2008
- F. Brázdik and J. Antal *The Effects of Anticipated Future Change in the Monetary Policy Regime*, CNB Working paper series #15, December 2007
- F. Brázdik, Non-parametric analysis of technical efficiency: Factors affecting efficiency of West Java rice farms, CERGE-EI Working paper series #286, January 2006
- F. Brázdik and V. Druska, Too large or too small? Retail stores returns to scale identification, CERGE-EI Working Paper Series #273, September 2005
- F. Brázdik, Oriented stochastic data envelopment models: Ranking comparison with stochastic frontier approach, CERGE-EI Working Paper Series #271, June 2005

DISCUSSION PAPERS

- F. Brázdik, M. Kejak: Notes on State Variables Choice and Timing in the Money-in-Utility Models, CERGE-EI Discussion papers #197, March 2009
- F. Brázdik, Stochastic Data Envelopment Analysis: Oriented and Linearized Models, CERGE-EI Discussion papers #116, January 2004

F. Brázdik, E. Kováč, M. Vojtek and A. Ortmann, Guessing Games with Homogeneous and Heterogeneous Players: An Experimental Reconsideration CERGE-EI Discussion papers #106, March 2003

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- F. Brázdik and Z. Humplová and F. Kopřiva, *Evaluatin a Structural Model Fore-cast" Decomposition Approach.*, Czech National Bank, Research Policy Note, RPN 2/2014
- F. Brázdik, M. Hlaváček and A. Maršál; Survey of Research on Financial Sector Modeling within DSGE Models: What Central Banks Learn from It; Czech National Bank, Research Policy Note, RPN 3/2011
- F. Brázdik, section III.2 Monetary Policy and Inflation in Czech Republic 2008: Strong Currency, No Rush Toward the Euro, Alena Bičáková and Peter Katuščák (eds), CERGE-EI, 2008
- F. Brázdik, section III.2 Public Budget Deficits in Czech Republic 2006: Accelerated growth , Libor Dušek and Krešimir Žigić (eds), CERGE-EI, 2006
- F. Brázdik, section *III.2 Inflation* in *Czech Republic 2005: Year After*, Libor Dušek and Krešimir Žigić (eds), CERGE-EI, 2005
- F. Brázdik (CNB, CERGE-EI), Review: Financial frictions approaches in DSGE models, internal document

WORK IN PROGRESS

F. Brázdik and V. Audzei, Monetary Policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics in Selected CEE Countries, in progress

Conference Presentations

Bratislava Economic Meeting, Bratislava, Slovakia, July 2014; F. Brázdik and V. Audzei, Monetary Policy and Exchange Rate Dynamics: The Exchange Rate as a Shock Absorber

The 15th Annual Global Development Conference: Structural Transformation in Africa and Beyond, Accra, Ghana, June 2014; Invited Discussant

The 6^{th} Dynare Conference, Helsinki, Finland, June 2010; F. Brázdik (CNB), Announced regime switch: Optimal policy for transition period

Joint congress of the European Economic Association and the Econometric Society European meeting, Barcelona, Spain, August 2009; F. Brázdik (ČNB and CERGE-EI) Monetary Policy In Transition: A Case Of Announced Adoption Of Exchange Rate Peg

1st Bratislava Economic Meeting, Bratislava, Slovakia, May 2008; F. Brázdik (CNB and CERGE-EI) Macroeconomic stability: Transition towards the unilateral peg

Dynare conference, Paris, France, June 2006; J. Antal (CNB) and F. Brázdik (CERGE-EI), Inflation targeting vs. Exchange rate targeting prior to monetary union entry

 XI^{th} Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Sevilla, Spain, April 2006; F. Brázdik (CERGE-EI), Non-parametric analysis of technical efficiency: Factors affecting efficiency of West Java rice farms

III. Annual Conference of Czech Economic Society, Prague, Czech Republic, October 2004; F. Brázdik (CERGE-EI): Oriented Stochastic Data Envelopment Models: Derivation and Application