Call for Papers Submission deadline: May 15, 2010

Conference on Microeconomic Sources of Real Exchange Rate Behavior

Dates: September 24-25, 2010 Location: Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Organized by the Center for International Price Research, Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University and the Globalization and Monetary Policy Institute, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

The conference organizers welcome submissions of theoretical and empirical contributions to our understanding of "Microeconomic Sources of Real Exchange Rate Variation".

Relevant topics include, i.e.: quantitative theoretical models of real exchange rates and/or trade patterns, the role of borders, distance, exchange rate regimes, productivity variation, and tastes and technology in shaping the long-run cross-sectional patterns of relative price dispersion as well as the business cycle variation in real exchange rates around their long-run means. We particularly encourage submissions that: i) develop novel micro-price databases spanning national borders and/or employ such novel data in quantitative economic theory and structural estimation; ii) bridge microeconomic and macroeconomic dimensions of real exchange rates and trade patterns; iii) integrate sub-fields of economics (e.g., industrial organization of the automobile production market with general equilibrium restrictions across locations) or iv) bring historical perspective.

This call for papers invites you to submit a paper, or to express your interest in attending as a discussant. The deadline for applying is **17:00 CST on May 15, 2010.** Notification of the final program will be sent to authors and discussants by June 15, 2010.

To be considered, send your paper to <u>mario.j.crucini@vanderbilt.edu</u> (please write "paper submission" in the subject line). Papers need not be complete and abstracts will also be considered at the discretion of the committee, but preference will be given to completed papers. Round-trip coach class airline travel within the continental U.S. and two-nights accommodation will be covered by the conference organizers for all academic presenters and discussants. We reserve the right to limit reimbursement of airfare to stay within our conference budget. If you have institutional or grant resources that could defray part of the expense of your travel, please let us know at the time of your submission.

The **Scientific Committee** consists of Eric Bond (Vanderbilt University), Mario J. Crucini (Vanderbilt University), David C. Parsley (Vanderbilt University), Chris I. Telmer (Carnegie-Mellon University) and Mark Wynne (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas).

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