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Managing International Financial Instability: A round-table on his recent book, with the author Fabrizio Saccomanni (Banca d'Italia), Sir Samuel Brittan (Financial Times) and Marco Annunziata (Unicredit). To be held on Monday, October 6, 2008, from 12:30–2:15pm.

Pretty good timing...Many of you know Fabrizio Saccomanni, the enormously well-respected director-general of the Banca d'Italia, who has just published an English-language version of his book on *Managing International Financial Instability*. Subtitled *National tamers versus global tigers*, it deals primarily with the relationship between markets and central banks - and, more broadly, with the relationship between private financial actors and their regulators. Although the book was written before the current unpleasantness, it is remarkably prescient in its description of how crises occur, and what can be done about them.

We are, therefore, delighted that Fabrizio has agreed to talk us through his argument, and to relate his conclusions to the present crisis. We are also delighted to have two eminent commentators to kick off the response:

- Sir Samuel Brittan: Sir Samuel has been an economic commentator at the *FT* since 1966. His much-read column now appears on alternate Fridays. He was knighted in 1993 for services to economic journalism.
- Marco Annunziata is chief economist at Unicredit, currently based in London. He was the Society of Business Economists' Rybczynski prize winner in 2007 for his work on inflation.

If you or a colleague would like to join us for what I am sure will be a stimulating discussion, please let us know by phoning the Centre (020 7493 0173) or by emailing nicole@csfi.org.uk. As usual, wine and sandwiches will be provided.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew Hilton
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