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FOREWORD

Since 2001, the Czech National Bank has been actively involved in providing technical cooperation amongst central banks by offering mainly international central banking courses for central bank staff from around the world. However, the difficult situation in provision of the technical assistance has continued in 2021 because of worldwide Covid pandemic. Unlike our initial plans to organise the seminars in Prague we were forced to realize the seminars entirely on-line. Nevertheless, we still believe that the very valuable feature of seminars is creation of interpersonal relationships and exchange of different approaches among experts coming from different central banks and countries. The attendance of colleagues from a wide range of institutions and their positive feedback on the cooperation has proved that the activities of the Czech National Bank were valued and provided our experts with the motivation to invest themselves in further experience sharing and offering our know-how in the technical cooperation programme.

Allow me to present you with the new training programme containing details of the seminars prepared by the Czech National Bank for 2022. In the hope to satisfy the demand, the offered seminars cover the issues most requested over the past years, including cash circulation management and coordinating policies in an integrated monetary and supervisory authority. On top of that, the seminar “Near-Term Forecasting and Data Analysis” held in two-year cycles will be taking place on-line in 2022. All seminars are prepared and led by the Czech National Bank’s experts who deal with the presented issues on a daily basis. The workshops also include active contributions by the participants in the form of presentations and panel discussions. This creates an environment that encourages sharing experience and expertise, not only from the Czech National Bank to other institutions, but also amongst the institutions themselves.

I believe that the offer prepared by our experts will meet your institution’s needs and that we will have the honour of hosting your members of staff again at the Czech National Bank in 2022 provided that the pandemic situation allows it. In addition, the Czech National Bank is prepared to offer its know-how on specific topics and to welcome your experts for a visit or online on an individualised basis. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should feel a need for any expertise we can provide.

We look forward to welcoming colleagues from other central banks at our events at the Czech National Bank in 2022.

Mr Zdeněk Vírůs
Executive Director
Administration Department

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Seminar schedule in 2022

CODE	DATE	TITLE	DEADLINE
2021	27. 6. – 29. 6.	Coordinating policies in an integrated monetary and supervisory authority	30. 4. 2022
2022	24. 10. – 26. 10.	Cash Circulation Management in the Czech Republic	31. 8. 2022
2023	28. 11. – 2. 12.	Near-Term Forecasting and Data Analysis Seminar - virtual	30. 9. 2022

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2021

Coordinating policies in an integrated monetary and supervisory authority

27 – 29 June 2022

Description

The seminar aims to present the CNB's unique performance as integrated authority conducting monetary policy, macroprudential policy, resolution function, financial market regulation, financial market supervision and code-of-conduct function. The focus will be not only on the individual functions, but also on the cooperation of various departments in delivering such complex mandate.

Target group

The seminar is designed mainly for senior economists/finance specialists working primarily in supervisory and regulatory departments of central banks.

Topics

- Organisation of financial stability and macroprudential policy
- Stress testing of various financial market sectors and risks
- Regulating both banking and non-banking sectors in the EU context
- House price sustainability assessment and macroprudential approach to risks associated with housing credit
- Consumer protection and supervising code-of-conduct in various financial market sectors
- Integrated supervision of financial market
- Conduct on resolution function for the banking sector
- Performing monetary policy in highly open economy

Length	3 days
Language	English
Number of participants	1–2 from each country
Application deadline	30 April 2022

Note: The application should contain a short motivation letter and CV. Participants will be selected based on their modelling experience as well as assessed utilisation of the acquired methods in their future work.

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Cash Circulation Management in the Czech Republic

24 – 26 October 2022

Description

This seminar aims to present the CNB's approach to tasks connected with cash circulation management in the Czech Republic and to share experience and knowledge in this area (e.g. issuance of banknotes and coins, cash handling, storage, processing and distribution, and the fight against counterfeiting).

Participants are invited to make an active contribution by briefly describing the situation in their countries.

Target group

The course is designed for senior specialists in issuance and cash operations.

Topics

- Role of the CNB
- Legislation and cash cycle in the Czech Republic
- Supervision of cash circulation
- Production and delivery of banknotes and coins
- Clients of the CNB and the cash distribution scheme
- Cash processing and storage
- Counterfeiting issues
- Statistics
- Security
- Workshop of participating central banks
- A visit to the Cash Operations Department of a CNB branch

Length	3 days
Language	English
Number of participants	1–2 from each country
Application deadline	31 August 2022

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2023

Near-Term Forecasting and Data Analysis Seminar virtual

28 November – 2 December 2022

Description

This seminar focuses on the process of building and operating the near-term forecasting models used by central banks. It also covers the methods of data handling and analysis. The programme will involve presentations of the CNB economists providing theoretical background of the topics. Afternoon sessions will then be devoted to computer exercises enabling the direct application of presented techniques. There will be shown a lot of applications based on experience with forecasting in the Czech National Bank. EViews and Matlab will be used during the computer exercises.

Target group

Economists on junior and also senior level, who work in the field of macroeconomic data analysis and short-term forecasting.

Topics

- Near-term forecasting and data analysis framework and its interaction with a core prediction model in the standard inflation targeting regime
- Working with data uncertainties, mixed frequencies
- Principal components and factor models
- Practical use of Kalman filter
- Introduction to Bayesian methods
- Model and forecast evaluation

Length	5 days
Language	English
Number of participants	1–2 from each country
Application deadline	30 September 2022

Note: The application should contain a short motivation letter and CV. Participants will be selected based on their modelling experience as well as assessed utilisation of the acquired methods in their future work.

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Administrative arrangements

Thank you for your interest in the seminars prepared by the Czech National Bank. Important information for experts applying for the seminars is given below.

Application procedure

If you wish to nominate a member of staff of your bank for a seminar, please fill in the electronic application form available on the CNB website:

https://www.cnb.cz/en/about_cnb/international-relations/technical-assistance/

You can also use the paper version of the application form and send it to the CNB contact person by e-mail.

The completed application form must reach the Czech National Bank by the closing date indicated for each seminar. Late applications will not be accepted.

Former participants should not reapply for the same seminar.

All candidates must obtain approval from their training department before completing the application form.

Selection procedure

Attendance at the CNB's seminars is limited to a maximum of 16–18 participants. We usually accept 1–2 participants per country. If we receive more applications than there are places available, we will have to make a choice from among the applicants in attempt to include participants from as many countries as possible.

The seminars are mainly targeted at experts from partner central banks of the Commonwealth of Independent States, Eastern European countries and the Balkan States. Applicants from other central banks can be accepted only if there are places available.

The seminars are meant for central bank staff only. If you are not employed at a central bank, please do not respond, as we cannot accept your registration.

English language skills

All seminars will be held in English. Candidates need to speak English if they wish to benefit from a course. Interpretation services will not be available.

Visas

If participants require a visa to visit the Czech Republic, we suggest contacting the relevant Czech Embassy as soon as possible to ensure that the necessary formalities are completed in time. We can send an invitation letter at the participant's request. We have no authority to assist participants with visas.

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Costs

The Czech National Bank will arrange and pay for participants' accommodation including breakfast at a hotel and cover their expenses relating to lunches, coffee breaks and social events during the seminar.

Seminar duration

The seminars organised face-to-face usually start on Monday at 9 a.m. and normally end at 4 or 5 p.m. The virtual seminars usually start on Monday at 9 a.m. and end at 1 or 2 p.m. Participants are expected to attend the entire seminar and should not schedule appointments during the seminar.

Consultations

The CNB is ready to share its know-how on specific topics and to welcome groups of experts for a single brief visit on a tailor-made basis. If you are interested in any area of expertise, please contact us.

Accommodation

The Czech National Bank will provide participants with accommodation. Accommodation is booked from the night before to the night after the seminar. The costs relating to your hotel stay during this period will be covered by the CNB (including breakfast and excluding personal expenses – phone calls etc.).

You can also apply using the electronic application form available on the CNB website https://www.cnb.cz/en/about_cnb/international-relations/technical-assistance/course-application-form/

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