

The future of the European repo market

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A conference of experts from regulators, academia and the market to review and reassess the role of repo in the financial crisis. Panellists will consider the impact of new regulation and emerging trading, clearing and settlement technology on the structure and efficiency of the repo market in Europe.

Agenda

08.30 **Registration, Tea & Coffee**

09.00 **Welcome Remarks**

Martin Scheck, Chief Executive, International Capital Market Association (ICMA)

09.10 **Introduction**

Godfried De Vidts, Chairman, European Repo Council

09.30 **Keynote Address**

Andrew Hauser, Head of Sterling Markets Division, Bank of England

10.00 **Panel Session – What actually happened in the repo and other financial markets in 2007-2009?**

The trauma of the events of 2007-2009, particularly the failure of Lehman Brothers, is seared into the collective memory of financial policy-makers, regulators and markets. But, with the benefit of hindsight, do we really understand what happened and what role was played by repo? Was repo a stabilising influence or did it pull the rug from under Lehman Brothers?

Moderator: Karel Lannoo, Chief Executive Officer, Centre for European Policy Studies

Panellist: Antoine Martin, Vice President and Function Head Money and Payments Studies Function, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Panellist: Greg Markouizos, Managing Director and Global Head of Fixed Income Finance, Citigroup

Panellist: Zoltan Pozsar, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

11.00 **Keynote Address**

Francesco Papadia, Chairman of the Board of the Primary Collateralised Securities (PCS)

11.30 Panel - Is repo an unstable source of funding? The issues of procyclicality of leverage, interconnectedness, asset encumbrance, collateral re-use and fire sales

Is repo a source of instability or does it just manifest structural cyclicality in the system? Is the repo market therefore the appropriate pressure point to address these problems or will macroprudential controls such as minimum mandatory haircuts be ineffective and create unintended consequences?

Moderator: Duncan Wales, Group General Counsel, ICAP plc
 Panellist: Richard Comotto, Senior Visiting Fellow, ICMA Centre
 Panellist: Ed McAleer, Managing Director, Morgan Stanley
 Panellist: Andrew Metrick, Professor of Finance and Management, Yale School of Management
 Panellist: Habib Motani, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP

12.30 Lunch

14.00 Keynote speaker

Manmohan Singh, Senior Financial Economist, International Monetary Fund

14.30 Panel - The future market for collateral and the prospect of systemic shortages

How are new regulation and technology reshaping the repo and other markets for collateral? Are regulatory imperatives such as mandatory use of CCPs creating a collateral shortage? What would be the consequences for the financial system and real economy, and how could a shortage be addressed?

Moderator: Godfried De Vidts, Chairman, European Repo Council
 Panellist: Cornelia Holthausen, Principal Advisor, European Central Bank
 Panellist: Patrick Pearson, Head of Financial Markets Infrastructure Unit, European Commission
 Panellist: George Handjinicolaou, Deputy CEO and Regional Director for Europe, Middle East and Africa, ISDA
 Panellist: Stefano Bellani, Managing Director, Head of the EMEA & Emerging Markets Financing desks, J.P. Morgan

15.30 Closing remarks

Godfried De Vidts, Chairman of the European Repo Council

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