

newsletter

JANUARY 2014

ANNUAL DINNER 2014 – SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday 27 March 2014, Central London

CHRISTIAN NOYER, Governor, Banque de France

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We are delighted to let you know that Christian Noyer, Governor of the Banque de France, will be our guest of honour and speaker at this year's Annual Dinner.

Booking will open shortly, and we hope to see as many of you as possible at this prestigious event. The Annual Dinner includes the presentation of the Rybczynski Prize and offers the perfect opportunity to meet fellow members or entertain guests. Both individual bookings and corporate tables are very welcome.

EVENING MEETING

Tuesday 14 January 2014, 6pm, Ashurst

JONATHAN PORTES, NIESR

MICHAEL SAUNDERS, Citi

The UK outlook: has the economy turned the corner?

Start off the new year with a thought provoking discussion led by two well-known and always fascinating speakers, on a topic that is of interest to all of us.

Jonathan Portes is Director of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research. He was previously Chief Economist at the Cabinet Office, where he advised the Cabinet Secretary, Gus O'Donnell, and Number 10 Downing Street on economic and financial issues. Before that Jonathan held a number of other senior economic policy posts in the UK government.

Michael Saunders is a UK economist and head of west European economic research within the Citi Research department in London. The team produces weekly publications on UK and Europe developments, titled UK Economics Weekly and Euro Economics Weekly. Michael joined Citigroup in October 1990 having previously worked with Greenwell Montagu as an economist covering UK economic trends.

Registration is required for this central London event. To reserve your place, please email admin@sbe.co.uk

**DATES FOR
YOUR DIARY**

EVENING MEETING

Thursday 13 February

6pm, Ashurst

DIANE COYLE

Enlightenment Economics

***GDP and measuring the
economy***

**LUNCHTIME
MASTERCLASS**

Thursday 27 March

12-2pm, BBA

PROF STEPHEN GLAISTER

RAC Foundation

***(With thanks to the British
Bankers' Association for
supporting this masterclass)***

**RECRUIT A NEW
MEMBER IN 2014**

**18 months membership for
the price of 12**

Full details overleaf

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DIANE COYLE OBE, Enlightenment Economics

GDP and measuring the economy

Economist and author Diane Coyle runs the consultancy Enlightenment Economic and is Vice Chair of the BBC Trust. She was a member of the Migration Advisory Committee from 2007-2012 and of the Browne Review of higher education funding, and was on the Competition Commission for eight years to 2009. Diane is also a visiting research associate at Oxford University's Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment. She works on competition policy, network markets, the economics of new technologies and globalisation, including extensive work on the impacts of mobile telephony in developing countries. Diane was previously Economics Editor of The Independent and had worked at the Treasury and in the private sector as an economist. Diane will talk on her book *A Brief but Affectionate History of GDP*, out February. Registration is required for this event; please contact admin@sbe.co.uk to reserve your place.

RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER IN 2014

Why not make it your New Year's resolution to introduce a colleague to the Society in 2014? The SBE's diverse membership network is one of its key assets, and our new year 'wraparound' offer means that members joining now will benefit from a first annual subscription which runs all the way through to June 2015 (i.e. up to 18 months now for the price of 12). Furthermore, and as a 'thank you' from the Society to those making the introductions, any member introducing five new full members during the year will be entitled to a free place at dinner with the speaker of their choice following an evening meeting.

An electronic membership leaflet and application form are attached for sending to any economist colleagues who might be interested in joining the Society and taking advantage of the New Year offer. We would be grateful if you could pass on.

ROYAL ECONOMIC SOCIETY POLICY LECTURE, Monday 27 January

Rt Hon Dr VINCE CABLE MP, Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills

Vince Cable will speak on *The shape of the economic recovery* at an RES Policy Lecture on 27 January at the Bank of England. The Policy Lecture series provides an opportunity for academics, policy makers and others interested in the development of economic policy to hear from leading economists; and Charlie Bean, the RES President, would like to extend an invitation to all members of the SBE. Full details are attached; to attend this lecture, please RSVP to denise.rayner@bankofengland.co.uk

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please welcome the following new Members to the Society: Neville Hill, Credit Suisse; Sam Hill, RBC Capital Markets; and Michael Zelouf, Western Asset Management Company Ltd.

SBE YEARBOOK

The 2014 yearbook will be mailed to members later this month.

EVENING MEETINGS: WHY NOT CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION OVER DINNER?

Would you like to dine with Jonathan Portes or Diane Coyle after the relevant speaker meetings? If so, get in touch with the Secretariat to book your place. Dinners are held in central London at a cost to members of only £55 (inc VAT). We are grateful to Ashurst for providing the venue for our monthly meetings. Ashurst is located at Broadwalk House, 5 Appold Street, London EC2A 2HA; http://www.ashurst.com/office.aspx?id_Content=20

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