

AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND SHADOW FINANCIAL REGULATORY COMMITTEE

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Australia-New Zealand Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee

Following the example of the Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee in Asia, Europe, Japan, Latin America and the United States, a group of well known professors from Australia and New Zealand, who are all experts in the fields of banking, finance, and the regulation and supervision of financial institutions and markets, set up the *Australia-New Zealand Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee* (ANZSFRC). The ANZSFRC had its inaugural meeting at the Australian Graduate School of Management in Sydney in December 2006. Its first statement on the optimal design of deposit insurance schemes in Australia and New Zealand was issued during the 2006 Australasian Finance and Banking Conference.

Members of the Committee

The ANZSFRC currently consists of the following members:

Christopher Adam

Professor of Finance, University of New South Wales, Sydney

Head, School of Banking and Finance, University of New South Wales, Sydney

Jonathan Batten

Professor of Management, Macquarie Graduate School of Management, Sydney

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Professor of Commercial Law, University of Melbourne

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Members of the Committee (cont.)

Lawrence Rose

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Professor of Finance, University of Wollongong

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The ANZSFRC is an initiative of Professor Harald Benink, who is a professor of finance at the Rotterdam School of Management of Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands and who is a senior research associate to the Financial Markets Group (FMG) of the London School of Economics (LSE). He is also Chairman of the European Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee.

Independence of the Committee

The Australia-New Zealand Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee meets twice every year in one of the major cities in Australia and New Zealand. The ‘shadow’ function of the ANZSFRC is related to the Committee’s purpose of following and analysing critically the existing and evolving regulatory framework for financial institutions and markets. Moreover, at the end of each meeting the ANZSFRC organises an international press conference during which a public statement is issued on topics discussed during its meeting. The Committee is fully independent of the providers, regulators and supervisors of financial services whose behaviour it aims to evaluate.

Analytical Mission

The analysis of the regulatory framework is based on existing and proposed national regulations in Australia and New Zealand, recommendations by international forums such as the Basel Committee and the Group of Thirty, and on relevant academic research in this field. Typically, the Committee tries to translate concepts drawn from academic literature into concrete policy recommendations with respect to certain subject areas.

Worldwide Network of Shadow Committees

The ANZSFRC is part of an emerging worldwide network of Shadow Financial Regulatory Committees (SFRCs). Once every year or two years the Shadow Committees of Asia, Australia-New Zealand, Europe, Japan, Latin America, and the United States meet in a major international city to discuss a theme of common interest, resulting in a joint policy statement. The next joint meeting is scheduled to take place in Europe in 2007.

The following joint statements have been issued previously:

1. “Improving the Basel Committee’s New Capital Adequacy Framework” (New York, June 1999).
2. “Reform of Bank Regulation and its Application to Japan” (Tokyo, October 2000).
3. “Reforming Bank Capital Regulation” (Amsterdam, June 2001).
4. “Reforms in the Process of Restructuring International Sovereign Debt” (Washington DC, October 2002).
5. “Enhancing International Financial Market Integration” (Washington DC, November 2004).
6. “Ageing and Pensions: A Ticking Bomb” (Seoul, October 2005).

For an overview of the members of the other SFRCs, please see the Appendices of this press release.

Appendix 1: Asian SFRC (www2.hawaii.edu/~fima)

China:	Gang Fan (Secretary General, National Economic Research Institute)
Hong Kong:	K. C. Chan (Professor of Finance and Dean, School of Business and Management, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology)
	Leslie Young (Professor of Finance and Executive Director, Asia-Pacific Institute of Business, Chinese University of Hong Kong)
China/HK:	Anthony F. Neoh (Visiting Professor of Peking University and Advisory Board Member of the China Securities Regulatory Commission)
Indonesia:	Sri Adiningsih (Faculty of Economics, Gadjarda University)
Japan:	Juro Teranishi (Professor of Economics, Nihon University)
	Shin-Ichi Fukuda (Professor of Economics, University of Tokyo)
Korea:	Sang-Yong Park (Professor of Finance, Yonsei University)
	Dosoung Choi (Professor of Finance, Seoul National University)
Malaysia:	See Yan Lin (Pro-Chancellor, Universiti Sains Malaysia & Former Deputy Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia)
New Zealand:	Martin Young (Professor of Finance, Massey University)
Philippines:	Maria Socorro Gochoco-Bautista (Professor of Economics, University of the Philippines)
Singapore:	David K. Ding (Professor of Finance, Nanyang Technological University)
Taiwan:	Chen-Min Hsu (Professor of Economics, National Taiwan University)
Thailand:	Chalongphob Sussangkarn (President, Thai Development Research Institute)
U.S. & Korea:	S. Ghon Rhee* (Professor of Finance and Executive Director, Asia-Pacific Financial Markets Research Center, University of Hawaii)

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Appendix 2: European SFRC (www.ceps.be)

Belgium:	Karel Lannoo (Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels)
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Germany:	Friedrich Kübler (Johann Wolfgang Goethe University & Clifford Chance, Frankfurt & University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, United States) Reinhard H. Schmidt (Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt)
Hungary:	Jacek Rostowski (Central European University, Budapest)
Italy:	Franco Bruni (Bocconi University, Milan)
Netherlands:	Harald Benink* (RSM Erasmus University, Rotterdam & FMG/LSE)
Spain:	Rosa Lastra (University of London & FMG/LSE)
Sweden:	Clas Wihlborg (Copenhagen Business School)
United Kingdom:	Philip Davis (Brunel University, London & FMG/LSE)
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Appendix 3: Japanese SFRC (www.econ.keio.ac.jp/staff/masaya/shadow/shadow.html)

Mitsuhiro Fukao (Keio University, Tokyo)

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Kaoru Hosono (Gakushuin University)

Takatoshi Ito (University of Tokyo)

Souichiro Moridaira (Keio University, Tokyo)

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Appendix 4: Latin-American SFRC (www.claaf.org)

- Argentina: Roque Fernandez (University del CEMA & Former Minister of Finance)
Pablo Guidotti (University Torcuato di Tella & Former Vice-Minister of Finance)
- Brazil: Pedro Carvalho de Mello (University of Sao Paulo)
Claudio Contador (National Insurance Foundation, Rio de Janeiro)
Armínio Fraga (Getulio Vargas Foundation & Former Central Bank Governor)
- Chile: Roberto Zahler (Zahler Consulting & Former Central Bank Governor)
- Mexico: Miguel Mancera (Former Central Bank Governor)
- Panama: Guillermo Chapman (INDESA Consulting & Former Minister of Planning and Economic Policy)
- Peru: Liliana Rojas-Suárez* (Center for Global Development, Washington DC)
- Venezuela: Ricardo Haussman (Harvard University, Cambridge & Former Minister of Planning)
Ruth de Krivoy (Síntesis Financiera Consulting & Former Central Bank Governor)
- Uruguay: Ernesto Talvi (CERES Consulting, Montevideo)

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Appendix 5: Members U.S. SFRC (www.aei.org)

George Benston (Emory University, Atlanta)

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