Macroeconomic Drivers of the Financial Markets

Course in Copenhagen

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09.00 Welcome and Introduction

09.20 1. Economic Growth

- What is economic growth? Definition & measurement and development since the birth of Christ
- Long-term drivers of growth
- Critique of the standard way of measuring economic growth: Externalities, the climate, green GDP etc.
- Economic growth in the short-term: Business cycles

11.00 2. Inflation

- What is inflation? Definition and measurement
- The history of Inflation and Deflation
- Drivers of inflation: Cost-push and demand-pull
- The rise and fall of inflation 1800-2024
- The problem with inflation (and deflation)

12.15 Lunch

13.00 3. Macroeconomics and financial markets: The long term

- Growth, inflation & long-term asset returns & correlations: Bonds, Credit, Equities, Alternatives
- Stylized long term facts
- Forecast of long term asset returns

14.45 4. Phases of Capitalism and a short history of Macroeconomic theories (no Greek letters (a))

- Neoclassical economic theory & laissez faire policy
- Keynesianism, multiplier effects & the Phillips curve
- Monetarism, the role of money & vertical Phillips curve
- Stagflation & Supply side economics
- New Keynesian Economics, micro meets macro etc.
- After GFC: New Economic Thinking and the way forward

16.00 End of day 1

Day 2

09.00 Welcome to day 2 and recap of day 1

09.20 5. Economic policy

- Demand vs. supply side, long term vs. short term
- Fiscal policy, fiscal dominance, deficits and debt
- Monetary policy: Money, credit, interest rates, digital currencies and crypto
- Other policies: Trade, Industrial, FX etc.

10.20 6. Macroeconomics and financial markets: The short term

- The business cycle and short-term asset returns and correlations: Bonds, Credit, Equities & Commodities
- Economic downturns and Alternatives
- The four phases of the business cycle and factor investing
- The debt-equity-clock

12.15 Lunch

13.00 7. Most important macro statistics and their interpretation

- US, Europe, China/EM, Japan, Nordics
- Growth indicators: Leading, coincident and lagging
- Inflation, labour market and other indicators
- The current troubles of poor data quality

14.00 8. The four phases of Capitalism & the 2024-2030outlook: Long term trends and the way forward from here for growth, inflation and financial markets

- The transition to the 4th phase of Capitalism
- Mega-trends: Sustainability, Demographics, AI, Deglobalisation, Debt super-wave etc.
- Nordic economy and financial markets

16.00 End of day 2

Price

The price of the course is DKK 13.500 ex VAT. The price covers course material, lunch and refreshments.

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