

# Big Data and Data Science: Advanced Analytics in Economics and Finance

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# **Dear Delegate**,

In 2020 central bankers and supervisors around the world acknowledge the insights Big Data brings in areas including monitoring of systemic risk build-up, nowcasting of price levels trends, and even financial crime detection. If used effectively, Big Data has the potential to provide an even greater depth and breadth of understanding: strengthening the decision making process in central banks, and thus, making for better policy formulation and implementation.

And this, as central banks acknowledge, is only the beginning. The challenge for central bankers now is how to best use these new technologies, to understand their limitations, and to communicate their findings.

This course, "Big Data and Data Science: Advanced Analytic in Economics and Finance" is designed to equip central bankers to meet these challenges.

The four-day programme of interactive roundtable seminars and workshops offers practical examples of Big Data applications and analytics, as well as questions of organisation and resourcing the function.

The panel of expert speakers will combine practical central banking experience and expertise in the technical aspects as well as views from private sector experts and leading thinkers from academia.

All discussions are held in roundtable format to encourage participants to share their experiences and debate the pressing issues in their field.

This format, as more than 6,500 central bankers and regulators can attest, encourages delegates to quiz panellists, raise issues and discuss solutions to the specific challenges they face.

We look forward to welcoming you to Windsor on May 19th.

Yours sincerely,

Per Nymand- Andersen Course Chair

### **Learning outcomes:**

By the end of the training course, participants will have gained new knowledge and a more comprehensive understanding of:

- Cloud and data management: innovation and opportunities for central banks
- What is new in Big Data and how can we make sense of it?
- Designing a supervision and surveillance analytics framework
- Visualisation: new insights for central bank communication
- Agent-based modelling in practice
- Using Big Data for now casting macro-economic indicators
- New techniques for AML and financial crime detection





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### Tuesday 19th May

## **Emerging Opportunities in Big Data for Central Banking**

# Big Data analytics in central banking and supervision: building blocks and techniques

Jyry Hokkanen, Head of Statistics, Sveriges Riksbank

- The state of the art of Big Data analytics in 2020
- · Overview of building blocks in the fields of data creation, storage, retrieval and analysis
- Examples of frameworks, approaches and techniques for successful application
- Discussion: what are the roadblocks that typically prevent the development of a coherent and sustainable Big Data strategy?

# Cloud and data management: innovation and opportunities for central banks

Aleksi Grym, Head of Digitalisation, Bank of Finland

- · A (very) brief history of cloud computing in central banks
- Standout examples of cloud applications in today's central banking environment
- Opportunities for data managing and advanced analytics
- Discussion: what does it take to effectively manage limitations and potential legal and security risks?

### What is new in Big Data and how can we make sense of it?

Vincent Hendricks, Professor of Formal Philosophy, University of Copenhagen and Director, Centre for Information and Bubble Studies (CIBS)

- Key forces and dynamics shaping the work of economists, statisticians and data analysts in central banks
- · Evolution of data needs for monetary and macro-prudential policy making
- · Opportunities and challenges related to new international standards and initiatives
- Discussion: how do central banks need to change to make the most of innovation?

#### About the course chair

Per Nymand-Andersen is an adviser to Senior Management in Directorate General Statistics at the European Central Bank (ECB). He has developed his expertise in financial markets, securities settlement systems, statistics, big data and communication. Mr Nymand-Andersen is the key editor of the ECB's Statistics Working Paper Series and a lecturer at the Goethe University in Frankfurt am Main in Central Banking



Science from Copenhagen Business School, Denmark. Prior to joining the ECB, Mr Nymand Andersen provided market research consultancy services for Eurostat, Luxembourg. He is author of several articles and publications regarding financial markets, statistics and communication.

### Wednesday 20th May

# New Tools and Frameworks for Supervisory and Regulatory Analysis

### Designing a supervision and surveillance analytics framework

Allan Kearns, Head of Function, Prudential Analytics, Central Bank of Ireland

- Key features of effective risk-based supervision in 2020
- · Technological foundations of surveillance analytics
- · Applications in risk assessment and stress-testing programmes
- · Tips for overcoming data collection and processing issues

### Machine Learning and Al: utilizing Big Data

David Bolder, Head of Capital and Credit Portfolio Risk, Nordic Investment Bank

- Overview of methods and practices for combining available technologies and digital platforms
- Management of key operational and ethical risks and challenges
- · Implications for institutional organisation and resources
- Hands-on exercise: combining Big Data and Machine Learning for systemic risk identification and containment

### Visualisation: new tools and techniques for visualising new data sets Lyndsey Pereira-Brereton, Data Visualisation Editor, Bank of England

- · Data visualization: state of the art
- · Overview of machine-learning based tools and techniques
- · Applications in financial data analytics
- · Opportunities for central banks' communications

#### Text mining: applications in economic analysis

Paola Cherciello, Professor of Statistics and Big Data Analytics, University of Pavia

- Taxonomy of data derived from textual datasets on central banking
- · Overview of tools and methods for their systematic analysis
- · Examples of applications in predictive models
- Case Study: textual analysis for monitoring macroeconomic developments

#### Agent-based modelling in practice

Kimmo Soramäki, Founder and CEO Financial Network Analytics and founding Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Network Theory in Finance

- The state of the art of agent based modelling in 2020
- · Strategies to overcome design challenges
- · Implications for institutional organisation and resources
- · Hands on exercise: how to build a successful agent-based model



## Thursday 21st May

## Making the Most out of Big Data (Lab Workshops)

# Using Big Data for now casting macro-economic indicators Per Nymand-Andersen, Adviser, European Central Bank

- · Overview of emerging trends in regulatory Big Data
- Opportunities and challenges of Big Data applications for financial stability and systemic risk analysis
- Examples of good practice in combining Big Data from the internet, administrative and commercial sources
- Case study: European Central Bank's use of Google search data in autoregressive now-casting models

# Applying Big Data techniques to a central credit register: turning micro into macro

### Murat Topkaya, Expert, Statistics Department, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey – (invited)

- · New Taxonomy of central credit register data
- · Applications in detecting risk build-up and concentration
- Examples of new Big Data based techniques and methods
- Case study: building a new central credit register framework

# New techniques for AML and financial crime detection Moad Fhami, Special Advisor, FinTech, Bermuda Monetary Authority – (invited)

- · Overview of key financial crime risks of the digital era
- Examples of Blockchain and Machine Learning applications in KYC and KYCC
- The role of international and public-private cooperation and coordination
- Hands-on exercise: automated vs manual fraud and AML investigation

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### Friday 22nd May

#### Towards Good Governance and Successful Outreach

### Good governance: how should central banks manage Big Data

**John Bottega**, Executive Director, EDM Council & former Chief Data Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of New York (invited)

- · Key approaches and challenges to successful governance of Big Data
- · Framework for effective management of Big Data
- Strategies to balance oversight and promote innovation
- Discussion: how effective is existing data governance in coping with Big Data in delegates home jurisdictions?

# Rightsourcing: an interdisciplinary approach to setting up a Big Data lab Nick Vaughan, Data Analytics and Modelling & Adrian Waddy, Designer, Technology Delivery, Bank of England

- · Overview of the latest developments in Big Data resourcing in central banks
- · Challenges of building Big Data infrastructure for sustainable scalability and flexibility
- Strategies and frameworks for the effective integration of new datasets into policy analysis and decision-making procedures
- Case study: how did the Bank of England embrace Big Data technologies to support better data analysis

### Delegate actions points and course conclusion

Led by the chair, Per Nymand-Andersen

- · Summary of the training course
- · Discussion of the observed trends and case studies
- · Application of learning points in the delegates' home organisations
- · Preparation of action points

## What delegates say about us

▲ A great experience. Different from other seminars I've participated in — in a good way. ■

Rasmus Mansberg, Economist, National Bank of Denmark

# Windsor Training Series 2020:

### Week One: 19th - 22nd May

- FinTech: Innovation in Payments and Settlements
  - Course chair: Richard Heckinger, former Vice President and Senior Policy Adviser, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
- AML/CFT: Implementing the Risk-Based Framework

  Course chair: Richard Chalmers, former Co-Chair, FATF's Evaluation and Compliance

  Group
- Macro-prudential Policy: Implementing the Financial Stability Mandate
  Course Chair: Maria Nieto, Advisor in the Directorate of Financial Stability, Regulation and Resolution, Bank of Spain
- Big Data and Data Science: Advanced Analytics in Economics and Finance
  Course Chair: Per Nymand-Andersen, Adviser, European Central Bank

## WeekTwo: 25th – 28th May

- Strategic Planning and Management: Delivering Change and Meeting
  Objectives
  - Course Chair: Janet Cosier, former Adviser on Strategic Planning and Risk Management, Bank of Canada
- Central Bank Board: Good Governance, Resilience and Enhancing Performance
  - Course Chair: John Jussup, former General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Bank of Canada
- Communications, Media Relations and Engagement

  Course Chair: Marek Petruš, Central Bank Communications Consultant and former

  Director of the General Secretariat, Czech National Bank
- Good Practice in Banknote and Currency Management
  Course Chair: Antti Heinonen, Chairman, Banknote Ethics Initiative
- Internal Audit: Moving at the Speed of Innovation

  Course chair: Klaus Gressenbauer, former Director, Internal Audit, European Central

  Bank and Chairman of the Internal Auditors Committee European System of Central

# **Booking details**

### 4-Day (3 nights) residential course

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