

IFC and Bank of Italy Workshop on “Data Science in Central Banking”

Part 1: Data Science in Central Banking: Machine learning applications

19-22 October 2021, virtual event hosted by the **Bank of Italy**

Programme¹

Day 1: 19 October 2021

Time (CEST)	Topic	Presenter
14:00 – 14:10	Welcome remarks	Piero Cipollone , Bank of Italy
14:10 – 14:40	Keynote speech: Monetary Economics and Communication: New Data, New Tools, New and Old Questions	Michael McMahon , University of Oxford
14:40 – 15:40	Session 1.1 – Macro-economic modelling using ML techniques	Chair: Giuseppe Bruno , Bank of Italy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deep Learning Solutions for Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium Models 	Mo Ashtari and Vladimir Skavysch , Bank of Canada
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Getting Insight of Employment Vulnerability from Online News: a Case Study in Indonesia 	Nursidik Heru Praptono and Alvin Andhika Zulen, Bank Indonesia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications of variational inference in the Bank of Russia 	Sergei Seleznev and Ramis Khabibullin, Bank of Russia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using News Sentiment for Economic Forecasting: A Malaysian Case Study 	Eilyn Chong , Chiung Ching Ho, Zhong Fei Ong and Hong H Ong, Central Bank of Malaysia
15:40 – 16:25	Session 1.2 – Inflation meets ML	Chair: Giuseppe Bruno , Bank of Italy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimating the Effect of Central Bank Independence on Inflation Using Longitudinal Targeted Maximum Likelihood Estimation 	Philipp Baumann , ETH Zurich, KOF Swiss Economic Institute, Michael Schomaker, UMIT University, Austria, and Enzo Rossi, Swiss National Bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Machine learning real-time CPI forecasting 	Mariam Mamedli , National Research University, Higher School of Economics, Moscow
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using Twitter Data to gauge Inflation Perception 	Julien Denes , Bank of France
16:25	Close of day 1	

¹ Timing: 15 minutes per presentation including 2 minutes Q&A

Day 2: 20 October 2021

Time (CEST)	Topic	Presenter
14:00 – 15:30	Session 2.1 - ML supporting Central Banks' operations and services to citizens	Chair: Rafael Schmidt , Bank for International Settlements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cloud Computing Research Collaboration: An Application to Access to Cash and Financial Services 	Danielle Handel (Stanford University), Anson Ho (Ted Rogers School of Management, Ryerson University), Kim P Huynh (Bank of Canada), David T Jacho-Chavez (Emory University), and Carson Rea (Emory University)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using Deep Learning Technique to Automate Banknote Defect Classification 	Pucktada Treeratpituk and Jiradett Kerd Sri, Bank of Thailand
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervised machine learning for estimating the institutional sectors of legal entities on a large scale 	Francesca Benevolo , Thomas Gottron, Ilaria Febbo and Nicolò Pegoraro, European Central Bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AI tools in outlier detection and missing data imputation 	Tello Serrano and Pablo Jiménez , Bank of Spain
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restoration of omissions in the quarterly indicators of financial statements for the Other Financial Institutions in the Bank of Russia 	Alieva Piruza, Anna Borisenko , Petr Milyutin and Denis Koshelev, Bank of Russia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fostering European SMEs' internationalization Using Big Data: The BIZMAP Application 	Etienne Kintzler , Jean-Noel Kien and Theo Nicolas, Bank of France
15:30 – 16:00	Session 2.2 - ML applications in Banking supervision	Chair: Rafael Schmidt , Bank for International Settlements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisory Letter Writing App 	Shum Chi Ken , Joshua Tan and Mohd Akmal, Central Bank of Malaysia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of AI methods to monitor fintech activities 	Elisabeth Devys , Bank of France, and Ulf von Kalckreuth, Deutsche Bundesbank
16:00	Close of day 2	

Day 3: 21 October 2021

Time (CEST)	Topic	Presenter
14:00 – 15:00	Session 3.1 - Supporting monetary policy with ML	Chair: Bruno Tissot , Bank for International Settlements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data science opportunities with non-cash transactional payments 	Per Nymand-Andersen , European Central Bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Text data analysis using Latent Dirichlet Allocation: an application to FOMC transcripts 	Hector Carcel Villanova , International Monetary Fund
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predicting Foreign Investors' Behavior and Flows Projection in Indonesia Government Bonds Market using Machine Learning 	Anggraini Widjanarti, Arinda Dwi Okfania and Muhammad Abdul Jabbar, Bank Indonesia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classifying payment patterns with artificial neural networks: an autoencoder approach 	Luis Gerardo Gage and Raúl Morales-Resendiz, Centre for Latin American Monetary Studies (CEMLA)
15:00 – 16:00	Session 3.2 - Financial stability analysis using ML and/or Big Data	Chair: Bruno Tissot , Bank for International Settlements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disagreement between Human and Machine Predictions 	Daisuke Miyakawa , Hitotsubashi University Business School, Japan, and Kohei Shintani, Bank of Japan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Impairment Costs of Traditional Non-Quantitative Retail Banking Practices pertaining to Residential and Commercial Real Estate Foreclosure Sales and their Effect on Central Bank(s) Policy 	James N Nicol and Emmanuel Blonkowski, Quant Property Solutions Australia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predicting the probability of companies' default based on transactional data with machine learning methods 	Andrey Shevelev , Bank of Russia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring at scale 	Marco D'Errico and Enrico Apicella, European Central Bank (European Systemic Risk Board Secretariat); Antonio Ciullo, Deloitte; Pedro Marques, European Central Bank (Directorate General Information Systems) and Caroline Übelhör, Google
16:00	Close of day 3	

Day 4: 22 October 2021

Time (CEST)	Topic	Presenter
14:00 – 15:00	Session 4.1 - Detecting anomalies in (Big) Data (Part 1)	Chair: Juri Marcucci , Bank of Italy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Machine Learning for Anomaly Detection in Financial Regulatory Data 	Colin Jones , Maryam Haghighi and James Younker, Bank of Canada
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Machine learning for anomaly detection in datasets with categorical variables and skewed distributions 	Matteo Accornero and Gianluca Boscariol, European Central Bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anomaly Detection Tools for Big Data 	Shir Kamenetsky Yadan , Bank of Israel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deep learning as a novel validation tool for financial market time series 	Taejin Park and Magdalena Erdem, Bank for International Settlements
15:00 – 16:00	Session 4.2 - Detecting anomalies in (Big) Data (Part 2)	Chair: Juri Marcucci , Bank of Italy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anomaly Detection in the Portuguese Central Credit Register 	André Costa , Francisco Fonseca and Susana Maurício, Bank of Portugal
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Machine learning-based approaches for automatic data validation and outlier control of loan microdata in the Bank of Russia 	Dmitrii Diachkov , Bank of Russia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time series outlier detection, a data-driven approach 	Alexis Maurin , Bank of England, and Nicola Benatti, European Central Bank
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unsupervised Outlier Detection: A Prototype for Granular Financial Data 	Nhan-Tam Nguyen , Deutsche Bundesbank, and co-authors from the Deutsche Bundesbank and the German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence
16:00 – 16:15	Closing remarks	Alessandro Bonara , European Central Bank
16:15	End of workshop	