Autumn 2025 De-Xing Guan

## MONETARY THEORY AND POLICY (I)

In this course we would like to discuss some monetary theories and the related policy issues, with special references to quantitative easing, theory of interest, exchange rate, and international monetary system.

# **Requirements**:

midterm (50%) and term paper (50%, including oral presentation).

## **Office Hours**:

Tuesdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m. (Social Sciences 3F02); otherwise, by appointment Web: <a href="https://web.ntpu.edu.tw/~guan">https://web.ntpu.edu.tw/~guan</a>

# **Course Outline**

## **Monetary Models: Overlapping Generations and Cash-in-Advance**

Paul A. Samuelson, "An Exact Consumption-Loan Model of Interest with or without the Social Contrivance of Money," *Journal of Political Economy*, 1958, 467-482.
Robert E. Lucas, Jr. and Nancy Stokey, "Money and Interest in a Cash-in-Advance Economy," *Econometrica*, 1987, 491-513.

### Monetary Theories: Quantity Theory of Money and Real Bills Doctrine

David Hume, "Of Interest," *Essays, Moral, Political and Literary*, Liberty Fund, 1987 Adam Smith, *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*, 5th edition, 1789; Modern Library, 1994, <u>Bk.II, Ch.II</u>.

Thomas J. Sargent, "Where to Draw Lines: Stability versus Efficiency," *Economica*, 2011, 197-214.

De-Xing Guan, *The Nature of Economics: Smith, Coase, and the Substitution Structure of Production*, World Scientific, 2025, Ch. 9.

# Triffin dilemma, Twin Deficits, and the Mar-a-Lago Accord

- Barry Eichengreen, Exorbitant Privilege, Oxford University Press, 2011.
- Paul Volcker with Christine Harper, *Keeping at It*, PublicAffairs, 2018 (主席先生, 早安財經文化, 2021).
- Richard C. Koo, *The Holy Grail of Macroeconomics*, revised and updated edition, Wiley, 2009 (總體經濟的聖杯,財信,2009).
- Stephen Miran, A User's Guide to Restructuring the Global Trading System, Hudson Bay Capital, November 2024.

### **Midterm Exam**

# **Monetary Policies: Housing Price and Coase Conjecture**

- John Maynard Keynes, *The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money*, Macmillan, 1936, <u>Ch. 15</u>. (就業、利息和貨幣的一般理論,五南,2023).
- Ronald H. Coase, "Durability and Monopoly," *Journal of Law and Economics*, 1972, 143-149.
- Gene M. Grossman and Noriyuki Yanagawa, "Asset Bubbles and Endogenous Growth," *Journal of Monetary Economics*, 1993, 3-19.

## **Cryptocurrency and Cashlessness**

- Kenneth S. Rogoff, *The Curse of Cash*, Princeton University Press, paperback edition, 2017 (現金的詛咒,時報文化,2018).
- Neil Wallace, "The Case for Imposing Cashlessness: A Review Article," *Journal of Economic Literature*, 2018, 1587-1591.

### **Term-Paper Presentation**