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Advances in Macroeconomic Theory

Edited by J. Dreze
Palgrave
Basingstoke
2001
xiv + 372pp.
ISBN 0 333 77353 5
£55.00
Keyword Macroeconomics

This is the first of three volumes from the 12th World Congress of the IEA, held in Buenos Aires in 1999. It contains the 16 invited lectures on macroeconomics, offering a selective and wide-spread picture of ongoing research. The lectures are in six groups covering the general framework, money and finance, wages and employment, econometrics, dynamics, and development.

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Mathematics for Economics (2nd edition)

M. Hoy et al.
MIT Press
Cambridge, MA
2001
xiv + 1130pp.
ISBN 0 262 58207 4
£29.95
Keywords Mathematics, Economics

This is a clear exposition of the mathematics required to solve problems in economic analysis. Beginning with a review of sets and functions, it covers limits and continuity; calculus of functions of a single variable; linear algebra; multivariate calculus; and dynamics. A large number of examples and economic applications are provided to help students to develop problem-solving skills.

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Transitional Economies: Banking, Finance, Institutions

Edited by Y. Kalyuzhnova and M. Taylor
Palgrave
Basingstoke
2001
xvi + 256pp.
ISBN 0 333 80144 X
£50.00
Keywords Developing countries, Economy

A collection of essays, providing a well-balanced assessment of banking and finance in transitional economies. Specialists,

economists, lawyers and an accountant assess the constraints imposed on financial sector transition, by weak institutions, in the post-communist era. The focus on institutional design and policy complementarities is valuable for policy makers promoting financial development in transitional economies.

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Monetary Policy: Goals, Institutions, Strategies and Instruments

P. Bofinger
Oxford University Press
2001
Oxford
xxii + 454pp.
ISBN 0 19 924856 7
£25.00
Keyword Monetarism

This is a comprehensive guide to the targets, strategy and instruments of the European Central Bank. The author provides an in-depth analysis of monetary policy in Europe and in the USA. Both traditional and theoretical approaches to monetary policy form the basis of the argument.

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Taxation and Economic Behaviour: Introductory Surveys in Economics, Vol. 1

J. Creedy
Elgar
Cheltenham
2001
viii + 340pp.
ISBN 1 84064 732 9
£59.95
Keywords Taxation, Economics

This collection of introductory surveys begins in Part I, entitled "measurement issues", with essays on income inequality, poverty and tax progressivity, intended mainly for students. Part II is concerned with tax modelling and the treatment of labour supply. Many numerical examples throughout the book add to the understanding and application of the various models.

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