Predetermined Exchange Rate, Flexible Exchange Rate and

Inflation Targeting Regimes

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Abstract

There is a large literature on optimal exchange rate regimes. The advan-

tages and disadvantages of predetermined exchange rate and flexible exchange

rate regimes have long been debated. Reflecting the fact that many emerging

market countries have shifted to the regime of inflation targeting, this paper

aims to extend the literature to include the inflation targeting regime. The

results of our analysis show that the interest rule with an inflation target is

superior (or at least equal) to the two above mentioned regimes in absorbing

either real or monetary shocks.

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