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Global Macro Views: Why are US Treasury Yields stuck?

June 3, 2021

The 10-year Treasury yield has been near 1.6 percent for two months, ... even as progress on vaccinations is rapid and activity is rebounding S...

FRT Episode 97: The Future of Money - Digital Currency 2.0

June 2, 2021

New developments in CBDC, what they mean for market participants, forecast of format wars, and the need for interoperability are the topics of the day as we speak with Ronit Ghose, Global Head of Banks and Co-Head of Global FinTech at Citi Research who is the author of a new report "Future of Money: Crypto, CBDCs and 21st Century Cash".

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Frontier LatAm: Costa Rica's Tough Adjustment Ahead

June 2, 2021

Costa Rica has secured an IMF Extended Fund Facility agreement, as COVID-19 has intensified ongoing fiscal woes. However, significant reform progress seems challenging ahead of the February 2022 elections, and higher interest rates would exacerbate the already-demanding adjustment.

Macro Notes: Ukraine - Virtual Trip Notes

June 2, 2021

Ukraine has weathered the COVID-19 shock well compared to previous crises. We assess balance of payments risks in the next 6-9 months as relatively low. Ample reserve assets and the planned \$2.7 bn SDR allocation are key factors. However, a new IMF arrangement will be critical for medium-term prospects. Without IFI support, the external financing gap could reach \$4.5 bn in 2022. Risks stem primarily from insufficient progress regarding structural reforms.

IIF responds to EBA Consultation on Draft Implementing Standards on Prudential Disclosures on ESG Risks

June 1, 2021

The IIF submitted a comment letter to the European Banking Authority's (EBA) Consultation Paper on Draft Implementing Standards on prudential disclosures on ESG risks in accordance with Article 449a CRR.

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IIF Capital Flows Tracker – June 2021

June 1, 2021

Portfolio flows to EM stood at \$13.8 bn in May. Equity and debt inflows were \$4.0 bn and \$9.8 bn. Chinese equities posted \$11.3 bn in inflows. ...

Briefing Note: DataTalk 2 – Risk and Data Management

June 1, 2021

The second session of the IIF's DataTalk forum, our new interactive discussion forum with knowledge partner the Oliver Wyman Forum, focused on Risk and Data Management. This note provides a brief summary of the key themes that emerged in our discussion, noting that this was conducted under the Chatham House rule, and comments are unattributed.

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Economic Views: FX Borrowing in EM

June 1, 2021

Flows to local-currency govies suffered heavily in the covid crisis. In several EMs, local bond buyers financed large fiscal deficits, ... bu...