

Central bank communication – are we living in a new age?

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Communicating monetary policy



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Clarity instead of mystery



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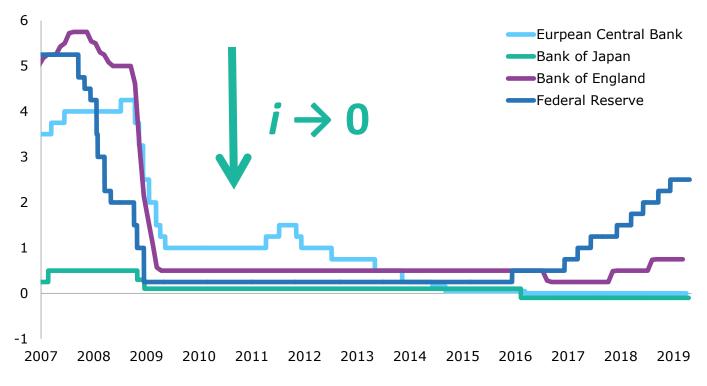
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Strengthening public confidence



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Communication is a powerful tool



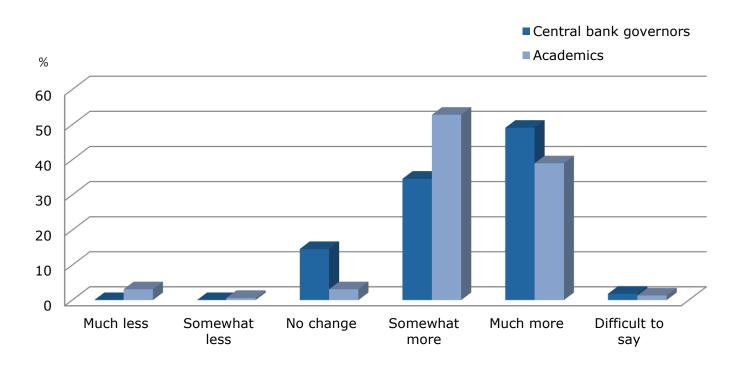
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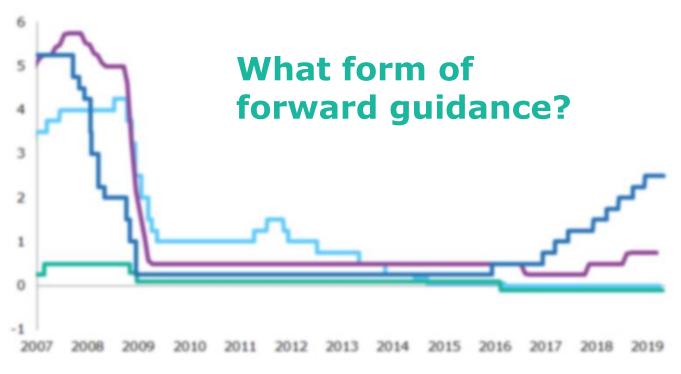
Communication about tools became a tool

Since the crisis, central banks have communicated with the public...



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Effectiveness in steering expectations



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What form of forward guidance?

Delphic

No promises about future policy actions

Odyssean

More detailed and specific

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Controversy: who is leading who?

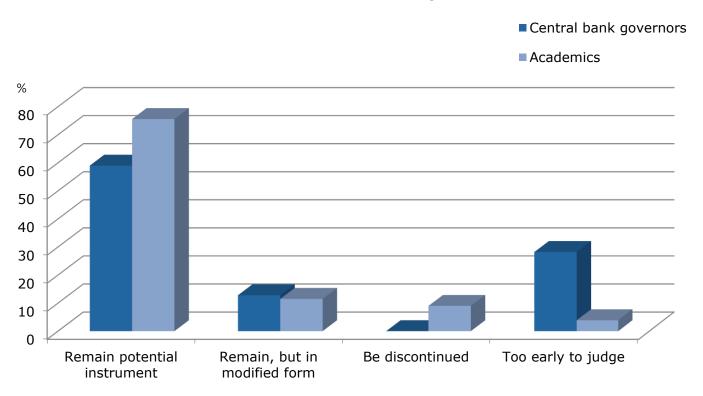


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Is forward guidance here to stay?

The future role of forward guidance



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Central banks in the spotlight



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