

## ABSTRACTS

**MONETARY POLICY WITH A BANKING OLIGOPOLY: THE GOVERNMENT AS THE FINAL ISSUER AND THE ENORMOUS PUBLIC DEBT IN MEXICO**

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This article analyzes the negative effects of the liberalization of interest rates in emerging economies, with financial systems centered on an imperfect banking market. Highlighted is the way the development of the capital market is inhibited, plus the role of the government as the final issuer, and the ironic fiscal dependence assumed by the central autonomous bank in its monetary regulation operations.

risk management. The robustness of the derived strategies is assessed in terms of their value at risk. The effects of the market risk on the portfolio are evaluated in terms of: 1) costs associated with liquidity preferences, 2) variance, and 3) value at risk. By way of illustration, an application is addressed to hedge a portfolio of shares traded in the Mexican stock exchange market with futures contracts listed in the Mexican derivatives exchange.

**PUBLIC FINANCE ON THE THREE LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT IN MEXICO, 1990-1999. CHALLENGES OF FISCAL FEDERALISM**

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In this article we will look at whether some of the ideas of the professor Benjamín Retchkiman are valid in the framework of the federal government's proposal for a new redistributive public treasury. This is an issue being debated in a number of forums by different social actors, such as governors who are calling for greater taxation authority, and consequently, more sources of revenue for confronting the numerous demands from citizens.

other group of agricultural products registers growth rates in production at above 20 percent annually, and even at those rates, the demand is still greater than the supply. Mexico brings tropical and winter-season products to this market, but it is facing a serious threat, since it is without a policy for promoting this area, as in European countries and the United States, for example.

**COVERAGE WITH FUTURES OF CAPITAL TITLES**

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In this paper, we develop a model to hedge the value of a portfolio of equities against both the stock market and the interest rate risks by using futures contracts. In our approach, it is stressed the concept of money duration in



**DYNAMICS OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET FOR ORGANIC PRODUCTS AND PROSPECTS FOR MEXICO**

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Organic production is a reality in 130 countries around the world, including Mexico in 15<sup>th</sup> place, with 103,000 hectares in the year 2000. No

