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***Impact of fiscal measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic on small-open economies: lessons from Slovenia***

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The seminar will be held in the  
**Great Hall (Avla) of Banka Slovenije**  
**on Tuesday 21 February 2023 at 10:00 CEST**

**Abstract:**

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We estimate the impact of the fiscal expansion in response to the COVID-19 outbreak on the Slovene economy via twofold approach. Firstly, we employ a structural VAR model in order to estimate the effects of fiscal shocks. The findings suggest a significant response of GDP, private consumption, and imports to fiscal shocks. Secondly, we simulate fiscal shocks in a three-scenario setup using a calibrated large-scale DSGE model. As a result, the outcomes highlight that a government consumption shock explains the lion's share of domestic fluctuations, compared to other unanticipated fiscal developments. The main transmission channel is high complementarity between private and government consumption.

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