

The **International Banking Library (IBL)** is a web-based platform for the exchange of research on cross-border banking. It provides access to data sources, academic research and information on regulatory and research initiatives.



The IBL-Newsletter addresses researchers working on topics related to international banking, and provides the latest updates on new research and conferences in the field.

Among the datasets compiled by the IBL is the **IWH-Latin American Banking Dataset (IWH-LAB)**, a newly created micro dataset on banks in five Latin American countries.

The **IWH-LAB** allows, for example, to analyze the performance of local versus foreign banks in Latin American countries by exploiting a rich set of micro data.

Credit Growth in Latin America: Local vs. Foreign Banks



Source: IWH-LAB, based on regulatory micro data including all banks in Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru.

At the Research Frontier

What's new in international banking?

Quarterly Selected Study

The Editors' Pick

- **Financial Crises and the Composition of Cross-Border Banking.**

Eugenio Cerutti, Galina Hale, and Camelia Minoiu
IMF Working Paper No. 14/185, October 2014,
forthcoming in Journal of International Money and Finance.

- **Drivers of Structural Change in Cross-Border Banking Since the Global Financial Crisis.**

Franziska Bremus and Marcel Fratzscher
CEPR Discussion Paper No. DP10296, December 2014,
forthcoming in Journal of International Money and Finance.

- **The Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on Banking Globalization.**

Stijn Claessens and Neeltje van Horen
IMF Working Papers 14/197, October 2014.

- **Research Question:**

Which were the shifts in banks' foreign activities triggered by the World Financial Crisis? Are there, in this regard, any differences between international banks from advanced and from emerging/developing countries?

- **Data:**

The data contains full ownership information covering 5,498 banks in 138 host countries for the period 1995-2012 on a yearly basis. Extended version of the Claessens/van Horen **Bank Ownership Database**.

- **Contributions and Results:**

Foreign bank entries have decreased since the 2008-2009 financial crisis. Banks from emerging countries represent 2/3 of new entries, mostly intraregional. This result shows an ongoing regionalization process in global financial integration. The study presents a valuable dataset with scope to be used for future research.

Articles and Posts

Latest Updates

- **Article on cross-country evidence on transmission of liquidity risk through global banks.**

Claudia Buch, James Chapman, and Linda Goldberg summarize for Liberty Street Economics the main results from the first research project conducted by the **International Banking Research Network (IBRN)**. The authors review the results obtained by 12 central banks in exploring the cross-border transmission of liquidity shocks.

- **ECB releases new website on the Banking Union and the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM).**

The European Central Bank has released a new website providing insights on the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM). The SSM-Website entails publications, interviews and multimedia resources explaining the role of the SSM. You can access the SSM-Website by clicking [here](#).

Research Agenda

Forthcoming Conferences

- **1st IWH-FIN-FIRE Workshop on "Challenges to Financial Stability".**

Halle, August 27-28, 2015.

Deadline Cfp: March 27, 2015.

Keynote Speaker: Claudia M. Buch (Deutsche Bundesbank) and Elena Carletti (Bocconi University).

- **2nd Conference on "Bank Performance, Financial Stability and the Real Economy".**

Capri, June 22, 2015.

Deadline Cfp: February 15, 2015.

- **42nd European Finance Association (EFA) Annual Meeting.**

Vienna, August 19-22, 2015.

Deadline Cfp: February 18, 2015.

Keynote Speaker: Kenneth J. Singleton (Stanford University).