



Bullard Discusses Five Questions Related to Monetary Policy, Tours University

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During an event hosted by the Fort Smith Chamber of Commerce and the University of Arkansas – Fort Smith, St. Louis Fed President James Bullard said that any decision on whether to increase the policy rate from near-zero levels will be data-dependent. He also discussed five key questions for the FOMC—on global uncertainty, U.S. financial conditions, labor markets, inflation and the dollar.

After his presentation, titled "Answers to Five Questions Related to U.S. Monetary Policy," he toured the university Baldor Technology Center.

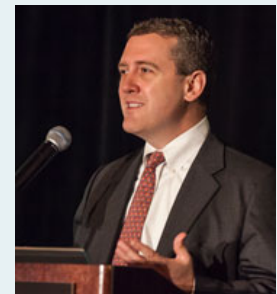
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Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis President James Bullard spoke with members of the audience after his speech Friday in Fort Smith, Ark., on key monetary policy questions that are facing the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), of which he is a participant. The speech, attended by about 175 people, was presented at the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, which was the co-sponsor along with the Fort Smith Regional Chamber of Commerce.

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"Rationally, let it be said in a whisper, experience is certainly worth more than theory."
Amerigo Vespucci



A tour of the Baldor Technology Center at the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith was part of the visit Friday to the campus by Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis President James Bullard. University Chancellor Paul Beran, left, led the tour group, which included not only Bullard but St. Louis Fed First Vice President and Chief Operating Officer David Sapenaro, center.

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