Opening Wall Street's Black Box

Pathways to Improved Financial Transparency

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The 2008 financial crisis revealed that regulators and many sophisticated market participants were in the dark about major risks and exposures in our financial system. The lack of financial transparency enabled large-scale fraud and deception of investors, weakened the stability of the financial system, and contributed to the market failure after the collapse of Lehman Brothers. Five years later, despite regulatory efforts, it's not clear how much the situation has improved.

Join regulators, market participants, and academic experts for an exploration of the progress made – and the work that remains to be done – toward meaningful transparency on Wall Street. How can better information and disclosure make the financial system both fairer and safer?

Panelists include:

Jesse Eisinger, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter for the New York Times and Pro Publica
Zach Gast, Head of financial sector research, Center on Financial Research and Analysis
Amias Gerety, Deputy Assistant Secretary for the FSOC, United States Treasury
Henry Hu, Alan Shivers Chair in the Law of Banking and Finance, University of Texas Law School
Albert "Pete" Kyle, Charles E. Smith Professor of Finance, University of Maryland
Antoine Martin, Vice President, New York Federal Reserve Bank
Brad Miller, Former Representative from North Carolina; Of Counsel, Grais & Ellsworth
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