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Group of Thirty meeting in Switzerland

From 26–28 May 2011, the Group of Thirty (G30) is holding its 65th plenary meeting hosted by the Swiss National Bank in Berne.

The G30 (www.group30.org), established in 1978, is a private, nonprofit, international body composed of the world's top thirty central bank governors, regulators, economic policymakers, financial sector leaders and prominent academics. It aims to deepen understanding of international economic and financial issues, to explore the international repercussions of decisions taken in the public and private sectors, and to examine the choices available to market practitioners and policymakers. The group's members meet in plenary sessions twice a year with select guests to discuss important economic, financial and policy developments. The spring meeting of the group is traditionally hosted by a central bank.

The theme of the 65th plenary meeting is 'Global Economic Growth, and the Political, Fiscal and Monetary Challenges Ahead'. The discussions are being held in closed sessions.

At the opening of the meeting, Micheline Calmy-Rey, President of the Swiss Confederation and Head of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, delivered the keynote address. On May 27, Patrick Odier, Chairman of the Swiss Bankers Association, is hosting a dinner for the participants in the G30 meeting.

A full list of G30 members can be found on www.group30.org