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The Japanese government debt: A review of the situation and debates

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The Japanese government debt is alarmingly high and many studies suggest it is unsustainable. Despite that, yields on Japanese Government Bonds (JGB) remain very low, as if to indicate that JGB buyers are not concerned about default risks in the near future.

In this seminar Dr Kazuki Onji will provide a review of analyses on the sustainability of the Japanese government debt. He will examine a variety of approaches taken to deal with the debt and consider the performance of various projections from earlier studies. The presentation will then consider events that would increase JGB yields and possibly trigger a sovereign debt crisis in Japan.

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