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The Resilience of Banks' Exposure to the Commercial Real Estate Market in Slovenia

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The seminar will be held at the Lecture Room (Cankarjeva 1) of Banka Slovenije on Thursday 30 January 2025 at 14:00 CEST

The presented paper uses loan-level data on bank lending in Slovenia, coupled with borrowers characteristics to examine the resilience of banks' exposures to the commercial real estate market. The author explores whether bank behavior differs between various types of lending to non-financial corporations, that is lending by using commercial real estate as collateral, lending for the purchase or construction of real estate and lending to construction and real estate activities, compared to other lending to non-financial corporations. In the paper, it is estimated that banks are more likely to grant loans for construction of real estate to less leveraged and more profitable firms. Firms in construction were also more likely to have loans with the highest loan-to-value (LTV) ratios. In a simulation of an increase in non-performing loan obligations the author finds banks' capital adequacy may fall by 1.3 p.p. due to losses on loans, using commercial real estate as collateral.

About the speaker:

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