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Lucas, R., Stokey, N. and Prescott, E. (1989) *Recursive Methods in Economic Dynamics* Cambridge, Mass. Harvard University Press.

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Hansen, L. P and Sargent, T. (2005a). ‘Certainty Equivalence’ and ‘Model Uncertainty’. *Models and Monetary Policy: Research in the Tradition of Dale Henderson, Richard Porter, and Peter Tinsley*. Editors Faust, J., Orphanides, A. & Reifschneider D. Board of Governors Federal Reserve System 2005.

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Ball, L. and Sheridan, N. (2005) Does Inflation Targeting Matter?, in Bernanke, B. and Woodford M. (ed.) *The Inflation Targeting Debate*, University of Chicago Press

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The University Encyclopedia (1985) London: Roydon.

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Aghion, P., Bacchetta, P., Ranci ere, R. and Rogoff, K (2009) Exchange rate volatility and productivity growth: The role of financial development. *Journal of Monetary Economics* vol. 56, no 4, pages 494-513,

**Government publications**

Department for Education and Employment (DfEE), (2001) *Skills for life: The national strategy for improving adult literacy and numeracy skills*, Nottingham: DfEE Publications.

**Conference papers**

Cota, B., Bahovec V. and Erjavec, N. (2005) ‘The Analysis of Croatian Export Functions: Evidence Based on Exchange Rate Volatility’ *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Operational Research - KOI 2004 Osijek*, University of Osijek, Department of Mathematics; Croatian Operational Research Society, pages 213-222

**Newspaper articles**

Cumming, F. (1999) ‘Tax-free savings push’, *Sunday Mail*, 4 April, p. 1.

## **Electronic sources:**

### *E-books and pdfs*

Croatian national bank, 2013. *Bulletin 1999* [pdf] Available at: < <http://www.hnb.hr/publikac/bilten/arhiv/bilten-199/ebilt199.pdf>> [Accessed 20 January 2014].

## **Government publications**

Ministry of science, education and sports, (2013) *National strategic development plan*, Zagreb: MSED Publications.

## **Legal acts**

Local and Regional Self-Government Act, Narodne novine br. 33/01, 60/01, 106/03, 129/05, 109/07, 125/08, 36/09

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