This menu gives you an option to download (macro) data by keywords you type in (upper-left input box) and period (default is 2010 to present). For example, 'GDP Japan' or 'unit labor cost' are appropriate keywords. The current sources of data are the FRED and Quandl. Notice that more keywords might yield more accurate results. A typical output contains: Title, Symbol, Observations' Last and First dates, data Frequency, and Supplier (FRED/Quandl).

On the LHS column there are small squared check-boxes so you can select the required variables to download. You can change the number of items in the table by changing the date range input box. In addition, series that their last observation date is earlier than the first date of your sample period or series that their first observation is later than the last date of your sample period will be excluded.

Once you select all required variables and series, press the green 'Download' button. After a few seconds a basic stats table will show up (see Figure 1 below). Then, you can either download the data as an CSV/Excel/PDF/PRINT, merge it with the current data set, or replace the current data set with the new data, using the upper light blue buttons. You can change the names of selected series/variables in the basic stats table so that your new variable names will be more readable. Once you see a success message ('Done'), you will see the new variables at the series picker box (in the Control Panel).

Figure 1.

