

**Date of the event:**

On Thursday 16th September 2010  
From 01:00 PM to 2:00 PM

**Location:**

Luxembourg School of Finance  
University of Luxembourg  
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**Registrations:**

- Free seminar (with lunch included)
- Registrations by email before September 13th, 2010
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The LSF is pleased to invite you to the following lunch seminar:

*Volatility Asymmetry, News and Private Investors*

*By Prof. Marc Oliver Rieger  
University of Trier*



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## ***Volatility asymmetry, news and private investors***

***By Marc Oliver Rieger***

Volatility is typically higher in down markets. Using an international comparison of volatility asymmetry and an analysis of a complete set of stock market transactions, we show that this effect, known as “leverage effect”, is most likely driven by overreaction of private investors to bad news. This result is supported by our observation that an increase in attention to negative news (as measured by an increase in Google searches for keywords related to the macroeconomy like “recession”) can predict a subsequent increase in volatility.

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