



FINANCE FORUM SERIES 2009

Brazilian Equities Market – What’s in it for Australian investors?

with Raphael Eckmann, Tarpon Investimentos SA

Date and Time: **Wednesday 22nd July 2009, 12.30 - 2.00 pm** (sandwich lunch provided)

Venue: **Thomson Reuters Markets, Level 43, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne**

Brazil is Latin America’s largest market yet, it still waits to be explored by Australian investors. Our speaker will address the points of most interest to Australian investors, provide an update on economic and political settings, analyse the stock market performance and answer how a long term investors can get the most out of investing into the equities market in Brazil.

Our speaker:

Raphael joined Tarpon in 2007 and is the Head of US, GCC and Asia-Pacific investors. Prior to joining Tarpon, Raphael held senior positions at Grupo VR, Globosat Channels and the American Chamber of Commerce. He was also a real estate senior analyst at Binswanger Inc. He holds a B.Sc. degree in Civil Engineering from Universidade Mackenzie and an M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Business.

About Tarpon:

Tarpon Investimentos was founded in 2002 and is today one of the largest independent Brazilian asset managers dedicated to public and private equity markets in South America, with a strong focus on Brazil. As of May 2009, Tarpon had close to US\$1.5 billion under management and the firm’s investor base is mainly composed of international and sophisticated investors such as US Endowments and Pension Plans. Tarpon focus on value and are an active long-term investor with a contrarian approach to investing. The company is also listed in the Sao Paulo Stock Exchange under the ticker: TRPN3.

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