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Risk and Return for Regulated Industries Partridge Publishing
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What is the return to investing in the stock market? Can we predict future stock market returns? How have equities performed over the last two centuries? The authors in this volume are among the leading researchers in the study of these questions. This book draws upon their research on the stock market over the past two dozen years. It contains their major research articles on the equity risk premium and new contributions on measuring, forecasting, and timing stock market

returns, together with new interpretive essays that explore critical issues and new research on the topic of stock market investing. This book is aimed at all readers interested in understanding the empirical basis for the equity risk premium. Through the analysis and interpretation of two scholars whose research contributions have been key factors in the modern debate over stock market performance, this volume engages the reader in many of the key issues of importance to investors. How large is the premium? Is history a reliable guide to predict future equity returns? Does the equity and cash flows of the market? Are global equity markets different from those in the United States? Do emerging markets offer higher or lower equity risk premia? The authors use the historical performance of the world's stock markets to address these issues.

Perspectives on the Equity Risk Premium The Equity Risk Premium The Long-Run Future of the Stock Market

The market risk premium is estimated based on the equilibrium relationship between risk and expected returns in an intertemporal setting characterized by periods of distinctly different levels of risk. In this environment of discrete volatility states, expected returns compensate investors for current volatility risk as well as the risk associated with a change in the level of market volatility. More importantly, expected returns include the expected change in market value associated with a change in the level of market risk. For this reason, average realized returns within each volatility state do not reflect the risk premium required by investors for state specific risk. By explicitly modelling the process governing the evolution of volatility states, I recover the required risk premium for each volatility state. The dynamic nature of the volatility process implies a term structure of expected forward risk premia that is dependent upon the current level of market volatility. During the period from 1926 to 1997, my estimates indicate that the economy is likely to have been in the high-volatility state approximately 13 percent of the time and that there is a strong statistical relationship between these high-volatility episodes and business cycle contraction periods. In addition, I find evidence of a structural shift in the volatility process corresponding to the end of the Great Depression Era. As a result of this structural change, the likelihood of being in the high-volatility state decreases dramatically after 1940, implying a significant decrease in the level of market risk. Consistent with this reduction in risk, I find evidence of an abnormal increase in market values during the

period from 1940 to 1960. After controlling for this windfall capital gain, my analysis suggests that the long-run market risk premium for the period after 1940 is substantially less than that implied by the simple historical average of excess market returns.

Does Fiscal Policy Matter? International Monetary Fund

This paper decomposes nominal Treasury yields into expected real rates, expected inflation rates, real risk premiums, and inflation risk premiums by separately calibrating a three-factor affine term structure model to the nominal Treasury and TIPS yield curves. Although this particular application seems to produce expected real short rates and inflation rates that are somewhat static, there are theoretical advantages to calibrating the model to nominal and real yields separately. Moreover, the estimates correlate positively with back-of-the-envelope measures of the inflation risk premium. With respect to the current environment, monetary policy uncertainty does not seem to have contributed to the apparent increase in the inflation risk premium since the beginning of 2006. Also, in purely nominal terms, the increase in term premiums thus far this year might be just as much a global as a domestic phenomenon, given that nominal term premiums have also increased in Germany and the United Kingdom.

The Risk Premium Factor KIEP

We use expectational data from financial analysts to estimate a market risk premium for U.S. stocks. Using the SP500 as a proxy for the market portfolio, we find an average market risk premium of 7.14% above yields on long-term U.S. government bonds over the period of 1982-1998. We also find that risk premium varies

over time and that much of this variation can be explained by either the level of interest rates or readily available forward-looking proxies for risk. The market risk premium appears to move inversely with government interest rates suggesting that required returns on stocks are more stable than interest rates themselves.

Risk Adjustment, Risk Sharing and Premium Regulation in Health Insurance Markets GRIN Verlag

This paper analyzes macroeconomic determinants of the foreign exchange risk premium in two Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries that peg their currencies to the U.S. dollar: Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The analysis is based on the stochastic discount factor methodology, which imposes a no arbitrage condition on the relationship between the foreign exchange risk premium and its macroeconomic determinants. Estimation results suggest that U.S. inflation and consumption growth are important factors driving the risk premium, which is in line with the standard C-CAPM model. In addition, growth in international oil prices influences the risk premium, reflecting the important role played by the hydrocarbon sector in GCC economies. The methodology employed in this paper can be used for forecasting the risk premium on a monthly basis, which has important practical implications for policymakers interested in the timely monitoring of risks in the GCC.

Unemployment Surges in the EU: The Role of Risk Premium Shocks Academic Press

Research into the equity risk premium, often considered the most important number in finance, falls into three broad groupings. First, researchers have measured the margin by which equity

total returns have exceeded fixed-income or cash returns over long historical periods and have projected this measure of the equity risk premium into the future. Second, the dividend discount model—or a variant of it, such as an earnings discount model—is used to estimate the future return on an equity index, and the fixed-income or cash yield is then subtracted to arrive at an equity risk premium expectation or forecast. Third, academics have used macroeconomic techniques to estimate what premium investors might rationally require for taking the risk of equities. Current thinking emphasizes the second, or dividend discount, approach and projects an equity risk premium centered on 3½% to 4%.

The Equity Risk Premium: A Contextual Literature Review VDM Publishing

This book is concerned with the unique findings, contributions and recommendations made on several crucial issues, relating to the concomitant subjects of direct real estate (DRE) risk premiums and DRE risk management. Chapter 1 examines the institutional nature of legal origin and the total returns (TRs), from investing in a country's DRE and via the adoption of a multi-factor arbitrage pricing theory (APT) model. Chapter 2 affirms the true historical volatility to be a reasonable estimation of international DRE risk premiums, when the autoregressive lag orders of the de-smoothed returns and the multi-factor model are taken into account. Chapter 3's real world of international DRE investing counts on sustainable international DRE investing, imperative for the investing organization's willingness and preparedness to effectively manage risk or uncertainty, early enough as part of the risk management cycle, in pursuing high

risk-adjusted TRs for DRE assets. Chapter 4 recommends a model of the intuitive build-up approach of forming the DRE investment hurdle rates for new DRE investing. The resultant DRE risk premiums serve a rough guide to ensure that the DRE hurdle rate is stringent and high enough, to achieve the risk-adjusted and Sharpe-optimal portfolio TR. Chapter 5 examines the integrated DRE investment strategy for a 13-city Pan Asia DRE portfolio, of office, industrial real estate and public listed DRE companies, adopting the analytic hierarchy process (AHP) and the Markowitz quadratic programming models. Such models enable the versatile strategic asset (SAA) and the tactical asset (TAA) allocations. Chapter 6 enables the DRE institutional investor to achieve a comprehensive and in-depth return and risk assessment at the DRE level for the 4 prime Asia residential sectors of Shanghai (SH), Beijing (BJ), Bangkok (BK), and Kuala Lumpur (KL), under the DRE VaR, incremental DRE VaR and the risk-adjusted return on capital (RAROC), Chapter 7 reiterates that public policies on macroeconomic management have to be consistent and non-conflicting in a widely accepted 'policy compact'. It is because the policies reinforce the fundamental investment value of large and complex developments, affecting the sustainable viability like the integrated resort (IR)-at-Marina-Bay, Singapore. Chapter 8 draws attention to the aftermath of the Asian economic crisis, terrorism and viral epidemics, that compel more DRE investors to risk-diversify their operations beyond their primary market into other parts of Asia. However, limited studies examine risk-reduction diversification strategies via split returns i.e. decomposing TRs into rental-yield returns and capital value (CV) returns. Chapter 9 proposes and recommends the intelligent

building (IB) framework, via the fuzzy logic (FL) engine, leading to a robust measure of building intelligence, and a standard guideline for a consistent performance-based structure for the promotion of the correct IB classification.

Handbook of the Equity Risk Premium John Wiley & Sons
The goal of this article is an estimate of the objective forward-looking U.S. equity risk premium relative to bonds through history; specifically, since 1802. For correct evaluation, such a complex topic requires several careful steps: To gauge the risk premium for stocks relative to bonds, we need an expected real stock return and an expected real bond return. To gauge the expected real bond return, we need both bond yields and an estimate of expected inflation through history. To gauge the expected real stock return, we need both stock dividend yields and an estimate of expected real dividend growth. Accordingly, we go through each of these steps. We demonstrate that the long-term forward-looking risk premium is nowhere near the level of the past; today, it may well be near zero, perhaps even negative.

The Long-Run Future of the Stock Market Academic Press
The paper presents a one-factor affine model of the term structure of Libor rates with autocorrelated measurement errors. It can be viewed as a central tendency model, with the theoretical arbitrage-free rates serving as stochastic means to which the observed rates revert. Two estimation techniques are compared, one based on a no-measurement-error assumption, the other on Kalman filtering. The estimates are then used in standard yield spread regressions with a view to accounting for the departure of future short rates from what the expectations

hypothesis would predict.

risk management and the credit risk premium International Monetary Fund

Risk Adjustment, Risk Sharing and Premium Regulation in Health Insurance Markets: Theory and Practice describes the goals, design and evaluation of health plan payment systems. Part I contains 5 chapters discussing the role of health plan payment in regulated health insurance markets, key aspects of payment design (i.e. risk adjustment, risk sharing and premium regulation), and evaluation methods using administrative data on medical spending. Part II contains 14 chapters describing the health plan payment system in 14 countries and sectors around the world, including Australia, Belgium, Chile, China, Columbia, Germany, Ireland, Israel, the Netherlands, Russia, Switzerland and the United States. Authors discuss the evolution of these payment schemes, along with ongoing reforms and key lessons on the design of health plan payment. Provides a conceptual toolkit that describes the goals, design and evaluation of health plan payment systems in the context of policy paradigms, such as efficiency, affordability, fairness and avoidance of risk selection Brings together international experience from many different countries that apply regulated competition in different ways Delivers a practical toolkit for the evaluation of health plan payment modalities from the standpoint of efficiency and fairness

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This paper challenges the conventional view that foreign exchange risk premiums are small, not volatile, and unrelated to macroeconomic variables. For the Italian lira (1987-94), unconditional risk premiums—constructed using survey data to

measure exchange rate expectations—are found to be sizable (relative to the dimension of the forward premium), highly volatile (relative to the variability of the forward bias), and predictable. Estimation of structural models of the risk premium suggests that anticipated fiscal contractions in Italy and lower uncertainty about the future path of fiscal policy are associated with a lower risk premium on lira-denominated assets.

China's Equity Risk Premium International Monetary Fund

Master the new edge in options trades: the hidden volatility risk premium that exists in options for every major asset class. One of the most exciting areas of recent financial research has been the study of how the volatility implied by option prices relates to the volatility exhibited by their underlying assets. Here, I'll explain the concept of the volatility risk premium, present evidence for its presence in options on every major asset class, and show how to estimate, predict, and trade on it....

Results from a Large Bayesian VAR Pearson Education

Master's Thesis from the year 2008 in the subject Business economics - Investment and Finance, grade: 1,3, University of Birmingham (Department of Economics), language: English, abstract: Despite the great fall of the Shanghai Stock exchange since the beginning of the year 2008, Chinese equities have performed unimaginably during their young history of existence. This paper aims to answer the question whether these returns are sustainable. The equity risk premium probably provides the most powerful tool to do so. Thus, several techniques are presented to estimate its magnitude. It turns out that some techniques are less and others more suitable in an environment of an emerging country. This paper accumulates evidence that

investors must be prepared to receive a much lower reward for their investments.

Risk Premium & Management - an Asian Direct Real Estate (Dre) Perspective Tuttle Publishing

The Equity Risk Premium The Long-Run Future of the Stock Market John Wiley & Sons

On the Relation between the Market Risk Premium and Market Volatility John Wiley & Sons

The purpose of this paper is to characterize the changes in risk premium in the 1980s. A five-variable vector autoregressive model (VAR) is constructed to calculate a risk premium series in the foreign exchange market. The risk premium series is volatile and time-varying. The hypothesis of no risk premium is strongly rejected for the entire sample and each of the two subsamples considered. Various tests using the constructed risk premium series suggest that a risk premium existed but it was neither constant nor stable over subsamples and that its volatility was considerably reduced after October 1982.

Foreign Exchange Risk Premium Elsevier

Edited by Rajnish Mehra, this volume focuses on the equity risk premium puzzle, a term coined by Mehra and Prescott in 1985 which encompasses a number of empirical regularities in the prices of capital assets that are at odds with the predictions of standard economic theory.

Searching for the Right Market Risk Premium Elsevier

The Equity Risk Premium-the difference between the rate of return on common stock and the return on government securities-has been widely recognized as the key to forecasting future returns on the stock market. Though relatively simple in

theory, understanding and making practical use of the equity risk premium concept has been dauntingly complex-until now. In *The Equity Risk Premium*, financial advisor, author, and scholar Bradford Cornell makes accessible for the first time an authoritative explanation of the equity risk premium and how it works in the real world. Step-by-step, his lucid, nontechnical presentation leads the reader to a new and more enlightened basis for making asset allocation choices. Cornell begins his analysis by looking at the equity risk premium in the light of stock market history. He examines the use of historical data in estimating future stock market performance, including the historical relationship between stock returns and risk premium, the impact of survival bias, and the effect of long-horizon stock and bond returns. Using the stock market boom of the 1990s as a case study, Cornell demonstrates what equity risk premium analysis can tell us about whether stock prices are high or low, whether the stock market itself may have changed, and whether indeed a new economic paradigm of higher earnings and dividend growth is now in place. Cornell analyzes forward-looking estimates of the equity risk premium through the lens of various competing approaches and assesses the relative merits of each. Among those scrutinized are the Discounted Cash Flow model, the Kaplan-Rubeck study, the Welch survey, and the Fama-French Aggregate IRR analysis. His insights on risk aversion theory, on the types of risk that have been rewarded over time, and on changing investor demographics all supply the sophisticated investor with important pieces of the risk premium puzzle. In his invaluable summing up of the equity risk premium and the long-run outlook for common stocks, Cornell weighs the

evidence and assays the impact of a lower equity risk premium in the future-and its profound implications for investments, corporate decision making, and retirement planning. The product of years of serious analysis and hard-won insights, The Equity Risk Premium is essential reading for institutional investors, money managers, corporate financial officers, and all others who require a higher level of market analysis. "The Equity Risk Premium plays a critical role in legal and regulatory matters related to corporate finance. Along with the cost of debt, it is the most important determinant of a company's cost of capital. As such, it is an integral part of the decision-making process in corporate finance. For instance, whether or not a major acquisition makes sense can depend on the assumed value of the equity risk premium. In addition, the equity risk premium is an issue that regulatory bodies consider when they set fair rates of return for regulated companies. Cornell's book is an important contribution because it includes both an historical analysis of the equity risk premium and provides tools for forecasting reasonable levels of the risk premium in the years ahead."-Theodore N. Miller, Partner, Sidley & Austin. "Estimating how well stocks will do in the future from how well they have done in the past is like driving a car while looking in the rearview mirror. Brad Cornell provides us with an important forward-looking view in this easily understood guide to the equity risk premium and confounds the popular view that stocks will do well in the future because they have done well in the past."-Michael Brennan, Past President of the American Finance Association and Professor of Finance at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Why Low Volatility Investing Works International Monetary

Fund

Are there recognized Risk premium problems? Do we monitor the Risk premium decisions made and fine tune them as they evolve? Will new equipment/products be required to facilitate Risk premium delivery for example is new software needed? Is Risk premium linked to key business goals and objectives? What are the compelling business reasons for embarking on Risk premium? Defining, designing, creating, and implementing a process to solve a challenge or meet an objective is the most valuable role... In EVERY group, company, organization and department. Unless you are talking a one-time, single-use project, there should be a process. Whether that process is managed and implemented by humans, AI, or a combination of the two, it needs to be designed by someone with a complex enough perspective to ask the right questions. Someone capable of asking the right questions and step back and say, 'What are we really trying to accomplish here? And is there a different way to look at it?' This Self-Assessment empowers people to do just that - whether their title is entrepreneur, manager, consultant, (Vice-)President, CxO etc... - they are the people who rule the future. They are the person who asks the right questions to make Risk premium investments work better. This Risk premium All-Inclusive Self-Assessment enables You to be that person. All the tools you need to an in-depth Risk premium Self-Assessment. Featuring 703 new and updated case-based questions, organized into seven core areas of process design, this Self-Assessment will help you identify areas in which Risk premium improvements can be made. In using the questions you will be better able to: - diagnose Risk premium projects, initiatives, organizations, businesses and processes using

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Options and the Volatility Risk Premium Oxford University Press
The expected equity risk premium is a key input of many asset pricing models in finance. There exist a number of methods to estimate the risk premium. It is also well documented that the risk premium is time-varying. This paper briefly reviews two different approaches. More specifically, the historical average and relative estimation are taken into closer examination. The first approach is applied to estimate equity risk premium for stock markets in Great China when the stock markets were recovering from the bottom. Then the relative estimation approach is also adopted to empirical data to justify the findings in the first one, which takes into consideration the lower required rate of return for Chinese investors due to lack of investment opportunities. After making these adjustments, we find that risk premium in mainland China is close to risk premium for Hong Kong and

Taiwan markets. All of those markets have higher risk premium compared to US market. The risk premium for Shanghai and Shenzhen market are about 8% and 10% respectively. For Hong Kong and Taiwan these numbers become 8% and 9%, where the long-term forward-looking risk premium for US market is about 4%.

The Equity Risk Premium and the Risks of Equity Investing CFA Institute Research Foundation

Intuition derived from the static capital asset pricing theory (CAPM) suggests that the market risk premium should be positively related to the market systematic risk as measured by the market volatility (variance). However, the empirical evidence is conflicting. While some studies find significantly positive relation, others find insignificant or significantly negative relation. This paper attempts to resolve the market risk and return relation puzzle by recognizing that the market volatility is time-varying and should be treated as an important source of systematic risk - volatility risk. Therefore, investors demand a risk premium for bearing the market volatility risk in addition to the market systematic risk. As a result, the market risk premium consists of two components: risk premium on the market systematic risk and risk premium on the market volatility risk. We find strong evidence of a significantly positive relation between the market risk premium and market systematic risk. We also find that the risk premium on the volatility risk, is negative and significant, which distorts the positive market risk and return relationship.

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