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**BM&FBovespa Gains with Further Rate Cuts and The Speed Traders Workshop 2012 Sao Paulo, February 1st**

*Edgar Perez, Author, The Speed Traders, Speaker at The Speed Traders Workshop 2012 Sao Paulo: How High Frequency Traders Leverage Profitable Strategies to Find Alpha in Equities, Options, Futures and FX, February 1st, at BM&FBOVESPA*

(January 20, 2012, New York) It was reported by Bloomberg that Bovespa futures advanced, a sign the equity gauge may extend a third weekly gain, after a report that President Dilma Rousseff wants the central bank to keep lowering borrowing boosted the outlook for companies that sell in the local market. "It's becoming clearer and clearer that the main goal of this administration is to boost growth, no matter what," Rogerio Freitas, a partner at hedge fund Teorica Investimentos, said by phone from Rio de Janeiro. Boosting growth in financial markets is also The Speed Traders Workshop 2012 Sao Paulo: How High Frequency Traders Leverage Profitable Strategies to Find Alpha in Equities, Options, Futures and FX, February 1st, BM&FBovespa, led by Mr. Edgar Perez, Adjunct Professor at the Polytechnic Institute of New York University.

Rousseff wants the central bank to cut the benchmark Selic rate by at least a further 1 percentage point in 2012 so it ends the year at 9.5 percent, O Globo reported, citing unidentified people. Rousseff is prepared to make fiscal adjustments to help the central bank achieve this goal, according to the Rio de Janeiro-based newspaper.

The Bovespa has advanced 27 percent from a two-year low on Aug. 8, buoyed by Brazil's interest-rate cuts and signs of progress in solving Europe's debt crisis. The gauge trades at 9.3 times analysts' earnings estimates, which compares with the ratio of 9.6 for MSCI Inc.'s measure of 21 developing nations' equities, weekly data compiled by Bloomberg show. Brazil's benchmark equity gauge sank 18 percent in 2011.

Traders moved 7.02 billion reais in stocks in Sao Paulo January 19, data compiled by Bloomberg show. That compares with a daily average of 6.49 billion reais in 2011, according to data from the exchange.

The Speed Traders Workshop 2012 Sao Paulo will reveal how high-frequency trading players are succeeding in the global markets and driving the development of algorithmic trading at breakneck speeds from the U.S. and Europe to India, Singapore and Brazil. The Speed Traders Workshop 2012 Sao Paulo kicks off a series of presentations in the world's most important financial centers: Dubai, January 25; Seoul, South Korea, March 28; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, April 11; Warsaw, Poland, May 11; Kiev, Ukraine, May 18; Singapore, May 26; Shanghai, China, June 6; Jakarta, Indonesia, June 13; Mexico City, Mexico, July 27; Hong Kong, August 4, and Moscow, Russia, August 10.

Mr. Perez is widely regarded as the preeminent speaker and networker in the specialized area of high-frequency trading. He has been featured on CNBC Cash Flow (with Oriel Morrison), CNBC Squawk Box (with Geoff Cutmore), BNN Business Day (with Kim Parlee), TheStreet.com (with Gregg Greenberg), Channel NewsAsia Asia Business Tonight and Cents & Sensibilities (with Lin Xue Ling), NHK World, iMoney Hong Kong, Hedge Fund Brief, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Dallas Morning News, Los Angeles Times, TODAY Online, Oriental Daily News and Business Times. He has been engaged as speaker at Harvard Business School's 17th Annual Venture Capital & Private Equity Conference, High-Frequency Trading Leaders Forum 2011 (New York, Chicago, Hong Kong, Sao Paulo, Singapore), CFA Singapore, Hong Kong Securities Institute, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences at New York University (New York), Global Growth Markets Forum (London), Technical Analysis Society (Singapore), TradeTech Asia (Singapore), FIXGlobal Face2Face (Seoul), and 2nd Private Equity Convention Russia, CIS & Eurasia (London), among other global forums.

Mr. Perez is one of the great business networkers and motivators on the lecture circuit; he is available worldwide for the following speaking engagements: Present and Future of High-Frequency Trading, The Real Story behind the "Flash Crash", Networking for Financial Executives, and Business Networking for Success.

The Speed Traders (<http://www.thespeedtraders.com>), Mr. Edgar Perez, founder of the prestigious business networking

community Golden Networking (<http://www.goldennetworking.net>), opens the door to the secretive world of high-frequency trading (HFT).

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