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The End of Interest Rate Risk

November 6, 2011/1 Comment/in Bonds Are Not Forever, Global Issues/by Simon Lack

Larry Hirshik is both a good friend of mine and our talented trader at SL Advisors. We've been friends for over 25 years. Larry and I both spent many years trading interest rate derivatives – eurodollar futures, interest rate swaps and government securities. Interest rate risk has been a topic that consumed much of our [...]

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Among the Hedge Fund Faithful at the AR Symposium in New York

November 4, 2011/0 Comments/in The Hedge Fund Mirage/by Simon Lack

I spent an interesting morning yesterday at the AR Symposium, a well-organized get together of hedge fund industry

professionals. I had been asked to chair a panel titled “What do investors want and how do they want it”. A year ago I wrote an article pointing out that hedge fund investors in aggregate would have [...]

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Banks and Leverage

November 2, 2011/0 Comments/in Global Issues/by Simon Lack
Another near death experience in equity markets avoided – at least for now. Kevin KAL Kallaugher’s cartoon in last month’s newsletter could scarcely have been better timed (if you missed it October’s letter is available on our website). Stepping back to examine levels of risk seems a reasonable place to start. There is perhaps no [...]

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Democracy Returns to Greece

November 2, 2011/0 Comments/in Global Issues/by Simon Lack
What could be more appropriate than Greece delivering a lesson in democracy. The word itself is derived from the Greek language. Democracy began in Greece and is returning there. How very appropriate. The enduring weakness of the EU has been its management by technocrats with often scant regard for popular opinion. The beauty of a [...]

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Thirty Years of Hurt

October 31, 2011/0 Comments/in Bonds Are Not Forever/by Simon Lack

It's not just the last decade that's been harsh on stocks. A report from Jim Bianco's eponymous research company calculates that for the past thirty years treasury bonds have outperformed stocks. It's the first thirty year period since 1861 that this has happened according to research on the topic by Jeremy Siegel. What could be [...]

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