

Date of the event:

On Thursday, 9th February, 2012
From 01:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Location:

Luxembourg School of Finance
University of Luxembourg
4 Rue Albert Borschette
2nd Floor
Modigliani Miller Auditorium (E02-003)
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Registrations:

- Free seminar (with lunch included)
- Registrations by email before February 6th, 2012
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The LSF is pleased to invite you to the following
lunch seminar:

***Trading Fees and Efficiency in Limit
Order Markets***

*By Professor Thierry Foucault
HEC, Paris*



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