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Abstract

Stock market synchronicity is a new area of research in finance and economics literature. Morck at al (2000) are among the first to propose a model of stock market synchronous behaviour of emerging markets and suggested that R square values of emerging markets are higher than the developed economies. This study analyses stock market data of eight emerging economies and three developed nations, and finds evidence that R square values of emerging economies are higher than their counterparts. It is also found that higher inflation, country geographical size, low level of corporate governance mechanism and inflation causes the stock price to move in the same direction in observed emerging

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