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**Purpose of this session**

1. In the light of the feedback received in its 2015 *Agenda Consultation*, the International Accounting Standards Board (Board) has resumed its work on the Business Combinations under Common Control (BCUCC) research project.
2. The purpose of this session is:
  - (a) provide an update to the members of the Accounting Standards Advisory Forum (ASAF) on the Board's discussions;
  - (b) seek ASAF members' views on the clarifications of the scope of the project; and
  - (c) seek ASAF members' views on the factors to consider in selecting an appropriate accounting method for transactions within the scope of the project.
3. The staff will provide a verbal update on the feedback received from ASAF members at the December 2017 IASB meeting and will consider that feedback in developing future agenda papers for the Board.

## Agenda papers

4. Agenda papers for this session include:
  - (a) *Cover paper* (Agenda paper 8);
  - (b) Slide deck 1 *Scope of the project* (Agenda paper 8A); and
  - (c) Slide deck 2 *Methods of accounting* (Agenda paper 8B).

## Next steps

5. At the December 2017 IASB meeting, the staff plan to:
  - (a) provide the Board with an overview of related projects, notably submissions to the IFRS Interpretations Committee and related discussions;
  - (b) ask the Board whether the meaning of a ‘business combination under common control’ should be clarified; and
  - (c) hold an education session on the factors to consider in selecting an appropriate accounting method for transactions within the scope of the project.
6. In the first half of 2018, the staff plan to discuss with the Board:
  - (a) accounting methods for transactions within the scope of the project; and
  - (b) how the so-called predecessor method should be applied.
7. The staff expect that the next due process document in the project will be a discussion paper. The staff expect that the discussion paper will be published in the second half of 2018.