

Connecting financial statements and sustainability-related financial disclosures

Early bird breakout session



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## Agenda

- 1 Setting the scene
- 2 Resources focused on connections
- 3 Connected working at the IFRS Foundation



# Setting the scene





## Connected information—the role we play





**Financial statements** 

**Sustainability-related** financial disclosures





**Products** 

**IFRS Accounting Standards** 

**IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards** 





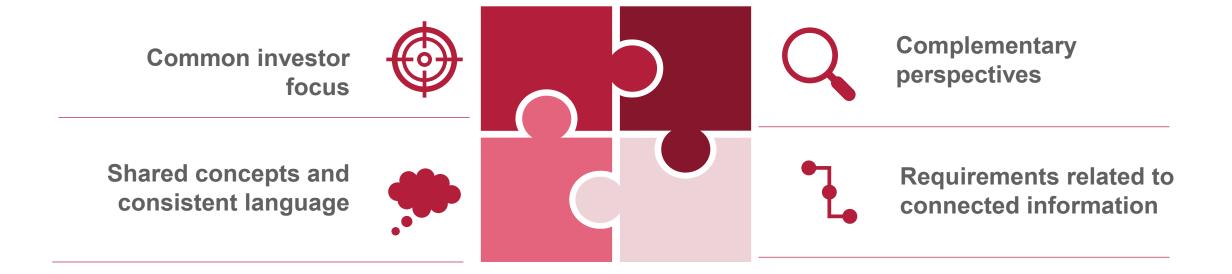
IASB and its technical staff

**ISSB** and its technical staff The reporting ecosystem applies those tools to provide connected information to capital markets

The IFRS Foundation provides the tools for enabling connected general purpose financial reporting through our Standards

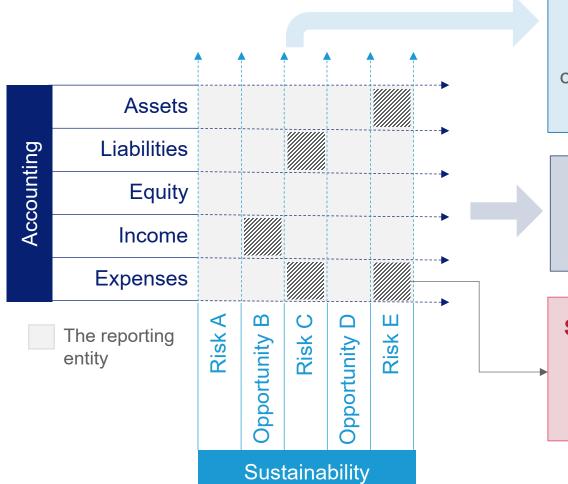


## IFRS Standards—Stronger together





Complementary perspectives



Sustainability-related financial disclosures provide material information about sustainability-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect a company's prospects

Financial statements provide material information about a company's assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses

Shared concept of materiality results in complementary information about the effects of sustainability-related risks and opportunities on a company's assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses...



## Applying the concept of materiality

A shared concept of materiality...

...information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that investors make...

...applied in the different contexts...

Materiality judgements are made in the context of a particular report's objective and the reporting requirements applicable to that report

...results in complementary information.



Information judged to be material for financial statements and sustainability-related financial disclosures will typically differ and provide complementary perspectives on a company





## Requirements related to connected information

IFRS Accounting Standards **enable connections** with sustainabilityrelated financial disclosures



IFRS Sustainability Disclosure
Standards specifically require
connections with the related
financial statements



# Resources focused on connections





## Highlights since WSS 2024

- Webpage—Connecting IFRS Accounting and IFRS Sustainability
- Webcast series—Connecting financial statements and sustainability-related financial disclosures
  - IFRS Foundation Conference 2025—panel discussion



## Webpage



1 Overview

Dedicated resources

Insights into connected working at the IFRS Foundation



### Webcast series

- Webcast 1: IFRS Standards—Complementary and connected information
- Webcast 2: Example—Climate-related risks and impairment of non-financial assets
- Webcast 3: Example—Climate-related opportunities and changes in product mix
- Webcast 4: Example—Climate-related commitments





## IFRS Foundation Conference 2025—panel discussion

Why connected information is important to investors

Making connections in practice

How to improve connections in reported information



# Connected working at the IFRS Foundation





## Highlights since WSS 2024

- Management Commentary
- Intangible Assets and Human Capital
- ISSB guide on the disclosure of material information
- Disclosures about Uncertainties in the Financial Statements Illustrated using Climate-related Examples
- Agenda Consultations



## **Management Commentary**

#### **Revised Practice Statement issued in June**

- Responds to investor demand for better information in management commentary
- Provides a comprehensive resource for regulators and companies to support improvement and greater global alignment in management commentary
- Supports connections between a company's management commentary, financial statements and sustainability-related financial disclosures
- Draws on innovations in narrative reporting







## Revised Practice Statement—important connections



comprehensive requirements for coherence of information



targeted refinements that aid alignment with ISSB requirements



sustainability-related financial disclosures can be included in management commentary



revised Practice Statement and IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards work well together



## Intangible Assets and Human Capital



#### **Intangible Assets**

Useful information about intangible items in the financial statements, including the notes, ie information relating to assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses



#### **Human Capital**

Useful information about human capital-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect a company's prospects



#### How to facilitate connected information

As the projects progress and opportunities for connections are identified, the IASB and ISSB will consider the interaction between their respective potential requirements to facilitate **connected information** across a company's general purpose financial reports



## ISSB guide on the disclosure of material information

IFRS Standards use **aligned definitions** of 'material information' and supporting requirements and guidance focused on **investors' information needs** 

#### The Guide:

- builds on the IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality
   Judgements, including outlining a process to identify material
   information
- emphasises connectivity considerations throughout the discussion
- explains that the aligned definition focussed on investors supports connections in reported information but does not lead to duplication because it is applied in different context





## Disclosures about Uncertainties in the Financial Statements Illustrated using Climate-related Examples

How to facilitate connected general purpose financial reports?

### In developing the examples, the IASB:

- Responded to stakeholder concerns about inconsistencies between financial statements and information provided elsewhere
- Decided to use climate-related examples to illustrate the application of IFRS Accounting Standards to all types of uncertainties
- Considered the interaction with IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards



Draft Illustrative Examples are available on the IFRS Foundation website



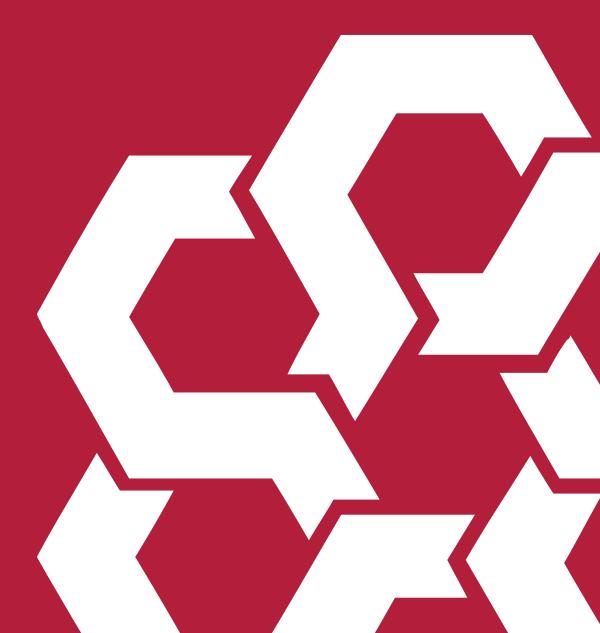
## Agenda Consultations

- the IASB revisited its approach to the Fourth Agenda Consultation in September 2025
- aim for concurrent IASB and ISSB Agenda Consultations
- hear directly from stakeholders about priorities holistically, separate and joint
- consultation period is expected to start in 2027





# Questions?





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