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Objective of the Tax Project

- Clarify and improve IAS 12
- Reduce differences between IAS 12 and SFAS 109
 - Remove most exceptions
 - Arrive at common recognition and measurement requirements
 - Require the same allocation to comprehensive income and equity



Major Changes to IAS 12

- Restructure format of the standard
- Align definitions of tax basis and temporary difference with practice under US GAAP
- Remove initial recognition exception
- Amend exception for investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures
- Align recognition of deferred tax assets with US GAAP
- Add requirements on uncertain tax positions
- Align requirements on tax allocation with US GAAP (Alternative view is also provided)



- Please send us your comments now ED comment deadline 31 July
- The FASB is expected to issue a discussion paper on income taxes to seek feedback from the U.S. constituents on the ED
- IFRS expected late 2010



Questions or Comments?

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