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Financial Instruments: Replacement of IAS 39

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International Financial Reporting Standards

Financial Instruments Recognition and Measurement

Replacement of IAS 39

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Timetable

One project – three stages

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Classification and measurement approach

Objective of project stage

The objective of the classification and measurement project stage being considered is to produce decision-useful information about amounts, timing and uncertainty of cash flows.



Classification and measurement

Two measurement methods being considered

Amortised cost

- Those instruments for which amortised cost provides useful information

Fair Value

- Some equity instruments FV though OCI
- Fair value option for mismatches
- Some embedded derivatives?



Classification and measurement

What would this approach change?

IAS 39	Approach being considered
Many classification categories eg held to maturity investments, available for sale financial assets, loans and receivables, fair value through profit and loss...all with different measurement methods	Two measurement methods: Fair value or Amortised cost Presentation of fair value changes of particular equity instruments in OCI with no recycling or impairment requirements
Tainting rules for held to maturity category	No tainting rules
Cost exemption for unquoted equity instruments and related derivatives	No cost exemption
Reclassification under certain circumstances	No reclassification
Hybrid instruments are assessed for embedded derivatives which may result in bifurcation of the hybrid instrument into a derivative financial instrument and a non-financial host	No bifurcation of embedded derivatives for hybrids with financial hosts, or Retain existing requirements Retain existing requirements for non-financial hosts



Classification and measurement

Transition and effective date

- Two possible alternatives to transition being considered:
 - Retrospective, possibly with some transition relief
 - Prospective
- Effective date for classification and measurement being considered
 - Available for use in 2009 year-end financial statements
 - Mandatory application later
- Early adoption
 - Additional disclosures likely to be proposed if retrospective



Classification and measurement

What is next?

- Discussions continued at June IASB meeting
 - Classification, including fair value option and embedded derivatives
 - OCI presentation
 - Transition



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Impairment

Where have the IASB got to?

- IASB has already had extensive discussions about a possible expected loss impairment approach
 - included discussions with some interested stakeholders
- Wider consultation needed given the significant impact any proposed change could have
 - Request for initial input via website posting
- IASB will issue ED in October 2009



Impairment

What is next?

- Discussions continued at June IASB meeting
 - Education session by bank on operational issues arising from expected loss impairment approach
 - Education session from Bank of Spain on Dynamic Provisioning approach
- Website posting June 2009 requesting input



Extensive Outreach programme

- Both prior to the publication of the ED and post publication we are reaching out to interested parties both to explain the process and discussions and to seek feedback
- Providing email alerts to interested parties with updates as the project progresses
- Staff delivering a series of webcasts describing the ongoing discussions

