

IASB Work Plan – projected timetable as at 1 February 2011



Financial Crisis related projects	2011 Q1	2011 Q2	2011 H2+	MoU	Joint
Financial instruments (IAS 39 replacement)					
Impairment [Supplement, comments due 1 April 2011]		IFRS		✓	✓
Hedge accounting [ED, comments due 9 March 2011]				✓	✓
Asset and liability offsetting [ED, comments due 28 April 2011]				✓	✓
Consolidation					
Replacement of IAS 27	IFRS			✓	✓
Disclosure of interests in other entities	IFRS				
Investment companies		ED			✓
Fair value measurement	IFRS			✓	✓

Memorandum of Understanding projects	2011 Q1	2011 Q2	2011 H2+	MoU	Joint
Financial statement presentation (Presentation of OCI)	IFRS				
Leases		IFRS		✓	✓
Revenue recognition		IFRS		✓	✓
Joint ventures	IFRS			✓	
Post-employment benefits	IFRS			✓	

Other projects	2011 Q1	2011 Q2	2011 H2+	MoU	Joint
Insurance contracts		IFRS			✓
Annual improvements 2009-2011		ED			

Agenda consultation	2011 Q1	2011 Q2	2011 H2+
Three-yearly public consultation		RV	

Abbreviations	
AD Agenda Decision (to add the topic to the active agenda)	PS IFRS Practice Statement
DP Discussion Paper	ED Exposure Draft
IFRS International Financial Reporting Standard	RT Roundtables
RV Request for Views	TBD To be determined

The timetable shows the current best estimate of document publication dates. The effective date of amendments and new standards is usually 6-18 months after publication date, although in setting an effective date the Board considers all relevant factors. In appropriate circumstances, early adoption of new standards will be allowed.

The Board will consider staggering effective dates of new standards to help entities that apply IFRSs undertake an orderly transition to any new requirements. The Board understands the difficulties some entities, and jurisdictions that must pass our Standards into law, could have coping with several major changes to IFRSs as we complete the projects on the MoU. In October 2010 the Board published a paper outlining possible ways to reduce that burden. The Board is seeking comments on that paper by 31 January 2011.

The Board undertakes this work using its established due process, including consultation with interested parties. The timetable for completion is subject to change depending on input received throughout a project's development.

Other projects

In November 2010 the IASB and FASB decided to amend the timetable for projects that are important but less urgent. These changes will allow the boards and interested parties to focus on the projects the boards are aiming to complete by 30 June 2011. The projects affected are **Financial Statement Presentation** (the replacement of IAS 1 and IAS 7), **Financial instruments with characteristics of equity**, **Emissions Trading Schemes**, **Liabilities** (IAS 37 amendments) and **Income Taxes**. The boards expect to resume discussing these topics after June 2011.

Additionally, the IASB is deferring publication of exposure drafts for **Investment Companies** and **Annual improvements** (see the timetable above) and the IASB and FASB do not expect to complete the reporting entity chapter of the conceptual framework until the second half of 2011 (see below).

Conceptual Framework: The Board completed Phase A by publishing in September 2010 the *Objectives* and *Qualitative characteristics* chapters of the new Conceptual Framework. The IASB and the FASB will amend sections of their conceptual frameworks as they complete individual phases of the project. The boards have considered the comments they received on the exposure draft for Phase D *Reporting Entity*. In the light of those comments the boards have decided that they will need more time to finalise this chapter than they initially anticipated. Therefore, the boards do not expect to continue their deliberations until after June 2011. The boards have not yet published discussion papers for Phase B *Elements* or Phase C *Measurement*. The boards do not expect to consider those phases until after June 2011. Phases E to H *Presentation and disclosure*, *Purpose and Status*, *Application to not-for-profit entities* and *Remaining issues* have not yet started.

Research and other projects

In 2009 the Board published an exposure draft addressing **rate-regulated activities**. In September 2010 the Board concluded that it could not resolve the matter quickly and decided to develop an agenda proposal for consideration for its future agenda in 2011.

In October 2010 the staff presented to the Board a summary of comments received on a Discussion Paper on **extractive activities** prepared for it by national standard-setters from Australia, Canada, Norway and South Africa. The Board will use this feedback to help it assess whether to add a project to its agenda when it considers its future agenda in 2011.

Common control was added to the agenda in December 2007. The Board will consider whether to restart the project when it considers its future agenda in 2011.

In October 2009 the Board stopped work on **credit risk in liability measurement** as a free-standing work stream and decided not to reach a general conclusion on credit risk at this time but instead to incorporate the topic in the conceptual framework measurement project. The Board is also considering the input received on this topic when it considers the measurement of liabilities in other topics.

In April 2009 the Board considered comments received on proposed amendments to **IAS 33 Earnings per Share**. In the light of other priorities, the Board stopped work on the project. The Board will consider whether to restart the project when it considers its future agenda in 2011.

Work on the **government grants** project has been deferred pending progress in the revenue recognition and emissions trading schemes projects. The Board will consider whether to restart the project when it considers its future agenda in 2011.

In December 2007 the IASB decided not to add a project on **intangible assets** to its active agenda. National standard-setters are carrying out research for a possible future project. The Australian Accounting Standards Board has published a discussion paper *Initial Accounting for Internally Generated Intangible Assets*. The Board will consider whether to restart the project when it considers its future agenda in 2011.

Recently completed projects

Effective dates and transition. The IASB and FASB undertook a consultation, with comments due by 31 January 2011, seeking respondent's views on whether or how to sequence effective dates for IFRSs issued in 2011, to help reduce the cost of implementing the new requirements. The comments will be considered by the boards during the first half of 2011 and used to help the boards establish transitional provisions and set effective dates for the individual projects.

Deferred tax: recovery of underlying assets, an amendment to IAS 12 *Income Taxes* was issued in December 2010. The amendment provides a practical solution to the problem of determining whether assets measured using the fair value model in IAS 40 *Investment Property* are recovered through use or through sale. The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2011, with earlier application permitted.

Severe Hyperinflation and Removal of Fixed Dates for First-time Adopters, amendments to IFRS 1 *First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards* was issued in December 2010. The amendments replace references to a fixed transition date with 'the date of transition to IFRSs' and set out the requirements for how an entity resumes presenting financial statements in accordance with IFRSs after a period when the entity was unable to comply with IFRSs because its functional currency was subject to severe hyperinflation. The amendments are effective from 1 July 2011, with earlier application permitted.

IFRS Practice Statement **Management Commentary** was issued in December 2010. The Practice Statement provides a broad, non-binding framework for the presentation of narrative reporting to accompany financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRSs.

Derecognition – Disclosures. Amendments to IFRS 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures* were issued in October 2010. Those amendments improve the disclosure requirements in relation to transferred financial assets. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2011, with earlier application permitted.

Conceptual Framework Phase A: Objectives and qualitative characteristics. New chapters dealing with objectives and qualitative characteristics were issued on 28 September 2010, with immediate effect.

Improvements to IFRSs. Amendments issued in May 2010. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2011, with earlier application permitted.