

International Financial Reporting Standards



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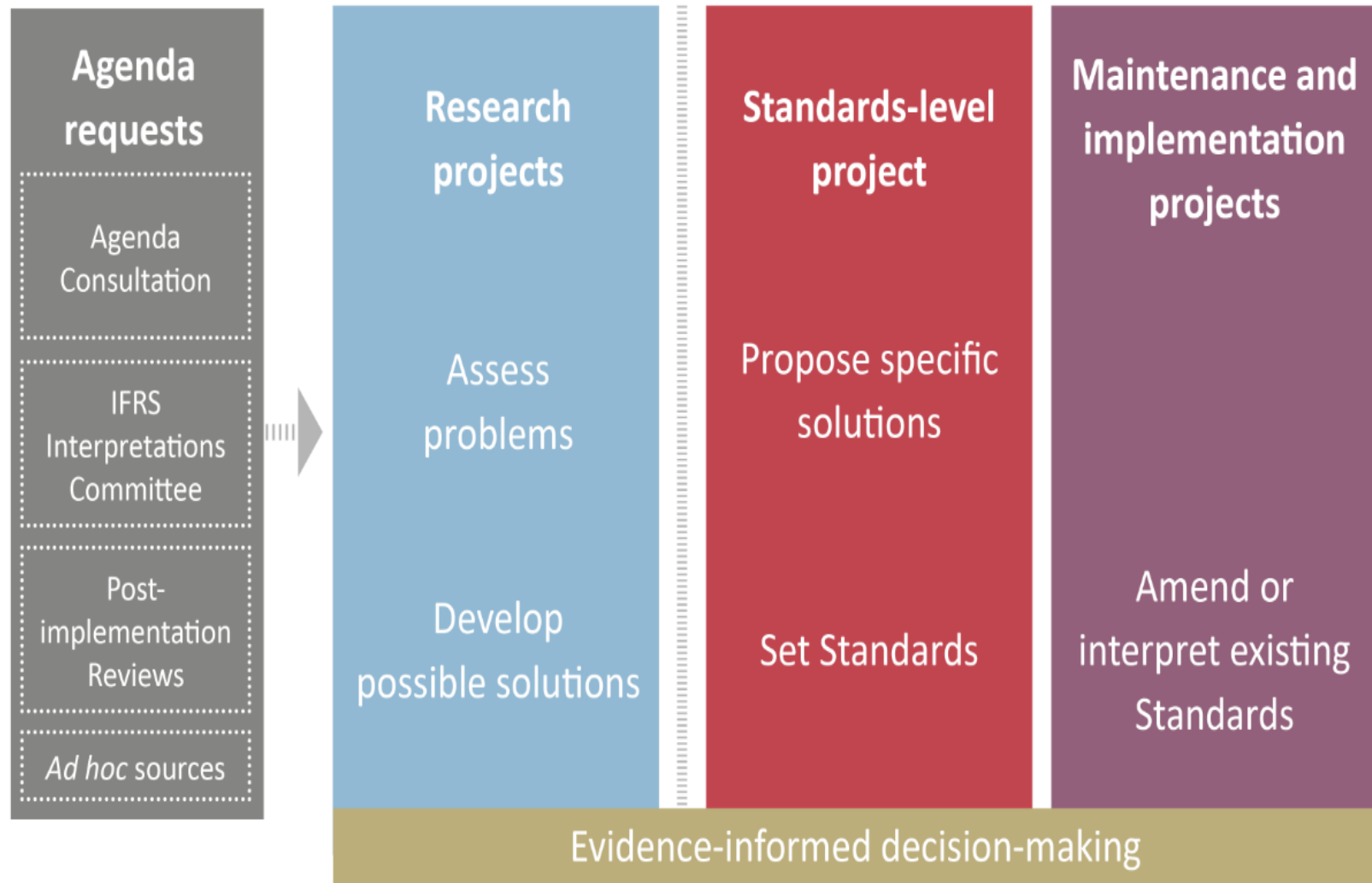


Background:

2011-12 Agenda consultation

- The IASB first consulted on its agenda in 2011
 - in 2012 the IASB published its Feedback Statement
- The IASB would focus on:
 - a small number of major projects in progress at that time (financial instruments, insurance contracts, leases and revenue recognition);
 - the *Conceptual Framework*; and
 - maintenance and implementation
- The IASB also established a research programme that would define the problem to be solved before deciding whether to add the project to the work plan

The standard-setting process



What we've done since 2012...

- Completed financial instruments and revenue recognition
- Almost completed leases
- Significant progress on insurance contracts and the *Conceptual Framework*
- Fair to say this has taken longer than expected:
 - importance of outreach, consultation and due process
 - ability of stakeholders to deal with change
- Consultation this time asks whether consulting every 3 years is too soon (Propose 5 years)
- We've also held a Disclosure Forum

Disclosure Initiative

Completed projects

Ongoing activities

Implementation projects

Research projects

Amendments to IAS 1

Digital reporting

Proposed amendments to IAS 7 'debt reconciliation'

Distinction between a change in accounting policy and estimate

Materiality

Principles of Disclosure

Standards level review of disclosures

Primary financial statements

- ‘Performance reporting and OCI’
 - OCI addressed in *Conceptual Framework*
- New project that examines the purpose, structure and content of the profit and loss, balance sheet, cash flow statement and statement of changes in equity
- Initial approach will include:
 - reviewing the old financial statement presentation project
 - looking at the UK FRC’s work on cash flow reporting
 - monitoring the FASB’s work in this area
 - how do entity’s report performance?
 - gaps and deficiencies in existing requirements?
- Several months needed to assess

2015 Agenda consultation

- The Request for Views (RFV) was published in August 2015 and is out for comment until 31 December 2015
- The 2015 Agenda Consultation provides an opportunity to comment on how the IASB prioritises and balances its work plan
- The full RFV is available on the IASB's website:
<http://go.ifrs.org/AC-Request-for-Views>
- You can submit a comment letter on the IASB's website:
go.ifrs.org/comment_AC

The investor survey 2015

- In the investor survey we ask four questions
- Two top-level questions about:
 - the IASB's role in the future of financial reporting and broader corporate reporting
 - the effect of future changes in technology on IFRS
- What three topics each investor thinks the IASB needs to address
- What priority each investor would ascribe to each of our existing research projects
- The survey is available at:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Investor_Survey_2015_Agenda_Consultation

Discussion points

Q1 Research projects: What activities, and improvements to IFRS, should the IASB prioritise?

Q2 Balance of our work and change: How much are you affected by changes to IFRS? Have we got the balance of change right?

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Q 1 Research projects

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Both the Request for Views and the investor survey ask:

(a) What priority you would ascribe to each research project, allocated between high, medium and low.

(b) Are there any topics that you would add to, or delete from, the research programme?

In the survey we also ask what your 3 hot topics, whether currently on our research agenda or not, would you prioritise

Assessment phase

- definition of a business
- discount rates
- goodwill & impairment
- income taxes
- pollutant pricing mechanisms
- post-employment benefits
- primary financial statements
- provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets
- share-based payment

+ Potential project on discontinued operations

Development phase

- business combinations under common control
- principles of disclosure
- dynamic risk management
- equity method
- financial instruments with characteristics of equity

On hold

- extractive activities; foreign currency translation and high inflation

- Think about the balance between major projects (eg revenue recognition), research topics and maintenance through narrow improvements
- The Interpretations Committee addresses issues that would improve financial reporting by reducing diversity
- Since the last Agenda Consultation:
 - the IASB has issued 15 annual improvements, narrow-scope amendments or Interpretations relating to 21 Standards; and
 - the Interpretations Committee has issued 54 agenda decisions

Q2 Balance of our work and change

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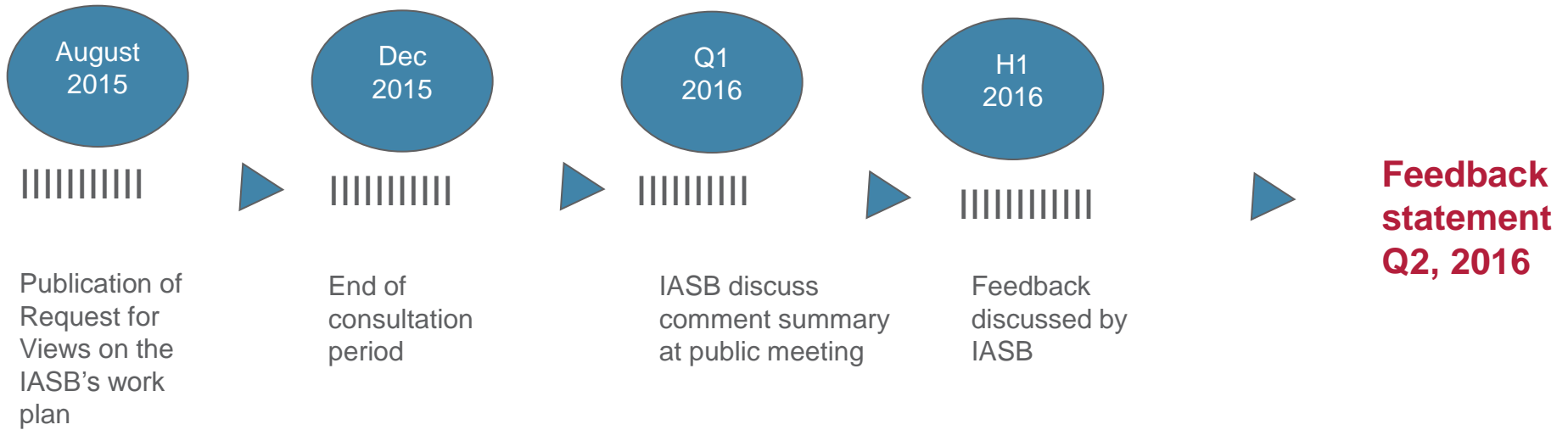
- The IASB balances:
 - requests for fundamental improvements to IFRS, such as the major projects, and
 - requests for narrow improvements to existing IFRS with
 - stakeholders' ability to cope with change

How are you affected by changes in IFRS?

Have we got enough emphasis on narrow-scope improvements?

Do we deliver change at the right pace?

What's next?



Outreach activities

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