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Upcoming IFRS Taxonomy Update Disclosure Initiative (Amendments to IAS 7)

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Aim of this agenda topic

• To update members of the ITCG on the changes to the IFRS Taxonomy to reflect the amendments to IAS 7

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Final Amendments to IAS 7

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The objective of the disclosure

- Feedback received on the 2014 Exposure Draft revealed that the proposal should include a disclosure objective
- In agreement with this feedback, the Board decided to include a disclosure objective to reflect how this disclosure meets the needs of users of financial statements

'An entity shall provide disclosures that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities, including both changes arising from cash flows and non-cash changes.'



Additional illustrative example

- Some respondents to the 2014 Exposure Draft stated that the proposed example was too simplistic
- To address this feedback, the Board inserted a further illustrative example
- This has resulted in two additional members being added to the IFRS Taxonomy:
 - Short-term borrowings [member]
 - Assets held to hedge liabilities arising from financing activities
 [member]



Additional illustrative example – cntd.

| | 20X1 | Cash flows | Non-cash changes | | | 20X2 |
|--|--------|---------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| | | | Acquisition | Foreign exchange movement | Fair value changes | |
| Long-term borrowings | 22,000 | (1,000) | _ | _ | _ | 21,000 |
| Short-term borrowings | 10,000 | (500) | _ | 200 | _ | 9,700 |
| Lease liabilities Assets held to hedge | 4,000 | (800) | 300 | - | - | 3,500 |
| long-term borrowings | (675) | 150 | | | (25) | (550) |
| Total liabilities from | | | | | | |
| financing activities | 35,325 | (2,150) | 300 | 200 | (25) | 33,650 |



Application to financial institutions

- The Exposure Draft stated that 'An entity shall provide a reconciliation of the amounts in the opening and closing statements of financial position...'
- Feedback received from financial institutions suggested that this would have little or no relevance to users of their financial statements for the following reasons:
 - Some sources of their finance are classified as financing activities, while others, such as deposits from customers, are classified as operating cash flows
 - Other disclosure requirements may already provide sufficient disclosure about an entity's financing structure, for example, comprehensive regulatory requirements



Application to financial institutions – contd.

- After taking this feedback into consideration, the Board decided that the disclosure requirement can be satisfied in various ways and not only by providing a reconciliation
- The Board therefore decided that providing a reconciliation is one way to fulfil the disclosure requirement but should not be mandatory
- As a result, the reconciliation elements in the IFRS Taxonomy will now have 'example' rather than 'disclosure' references



Impact on the Taxonomy

- The impact of the changes between the Exposure Draft and the final Amendment to IAS 7 on the IFRS Taxonomy is not significant
- The wording used in the final amendment has been slightly changed in comparison to the ED, for example:

'items for which cash flows are classified as financing activities, excluding equity items' has now become 'liabilities arising from financing activities'



Removed disclosures

- The Exposure Draft proposed additional disclosure requirements about an entity's liquidity such as restrictions that affect an entity's decision to use cash and cash equivalent balances
- As a result of feedback received, the Board decided that further work is needed before it can determine whether and how to finalise requirements arising from that proposal
- In order not to delay the amendments to IAS 7 relating to liabilities from financing activities, the Board decided not to address liquidity within the January amendments



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Upcoming release

- When?
 - April 2016
- Final amendment not included in annual IFRS Taxonomy 2016
 - the amendment was published after the Bound Volume cut-off date
- No public consultation
 - this amendment was part of a due-process trial that included consultation on the Exposure Draft stage only

QUESTION

Do you have any questions/comments on the planned changes to the IFRS Taxonomy?



