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Overview

- 1. The objective of this session is for the International Accounting Standards Board (Board):
 - (a) to agree the Board's approach to whether, and if so how, the *IFRS for SMEs* Standard should be aligned with full IFRS Standards; and
 - (b) if and how the Board should proceed with the 2019 comprehensive review of the *IFRS for SMEs* Standard (2019 Review).

Agenda papers for this meeting

- 2. This cover paper accompanies the following agenda papers:
 - (a) Agenda Paper 30A—Approach to the 2019 comprehensive review of the IFRS for SMEs Standard: This paper provides the Board with the background and status of the 2019 Review. It asks the Board to agree it's approach to whether, and if so how, the IFRS for SMEs Standard should be aligned with full IFRS Standards.

- (b) Agenda paper 30B—New IFRS Standards—IFRS 16 Leases: This paper is an education paper that demonstrates how the alignment principles outlined in agenda paper 30A would be applied when determining whether and how to align the IFRS for SMEs Standard with new and amended IFRS Standards.
- (c) Agenda paper 30C—Way forward and next Steps: This paper asks the Board to agree if and how it should proceed with the 2019 Review and outlines possible next steps for the project.