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## Overview

Open consultations and recently closed consultations

Other projects

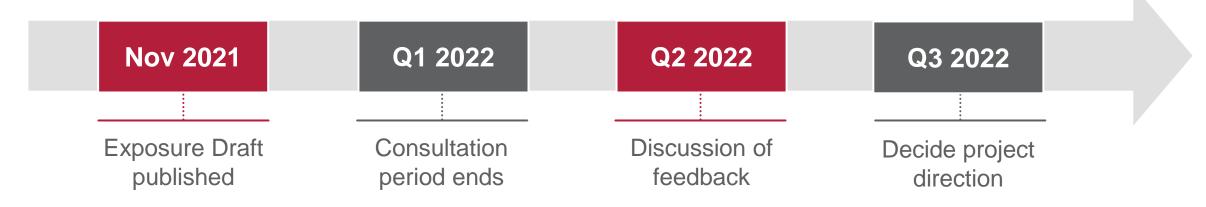
Strategy and Governance projects - Third Agenda Consultation

Update on ISSB





## **Non-current Liabilities with Covenants**





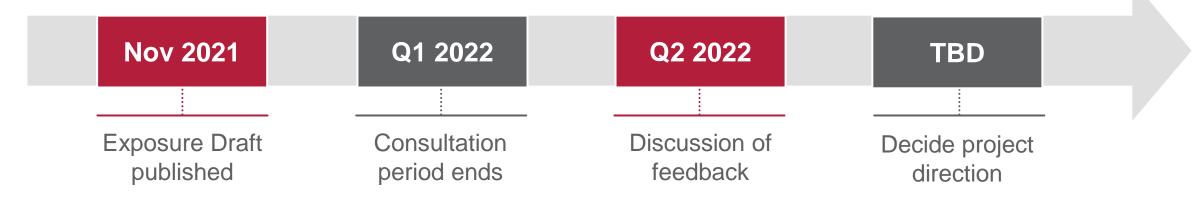
## **Objective**

Improve the information about liabilities with covenants provided through classification (as current or non-current), presentation and disclosure in financial statements

#### **Proposed amendments to IAS 1**

- Specify that covenants with which an entity must comply after the reporting period do not affect classification of a liability as current or non-current at the end of the reporting period
- Add presentation and disclosure requirements for non-current liabilities subject to covenants
- Clarify situations in which an entity does not have a right to defer settlement

# **Supplier Finance Arrangements**

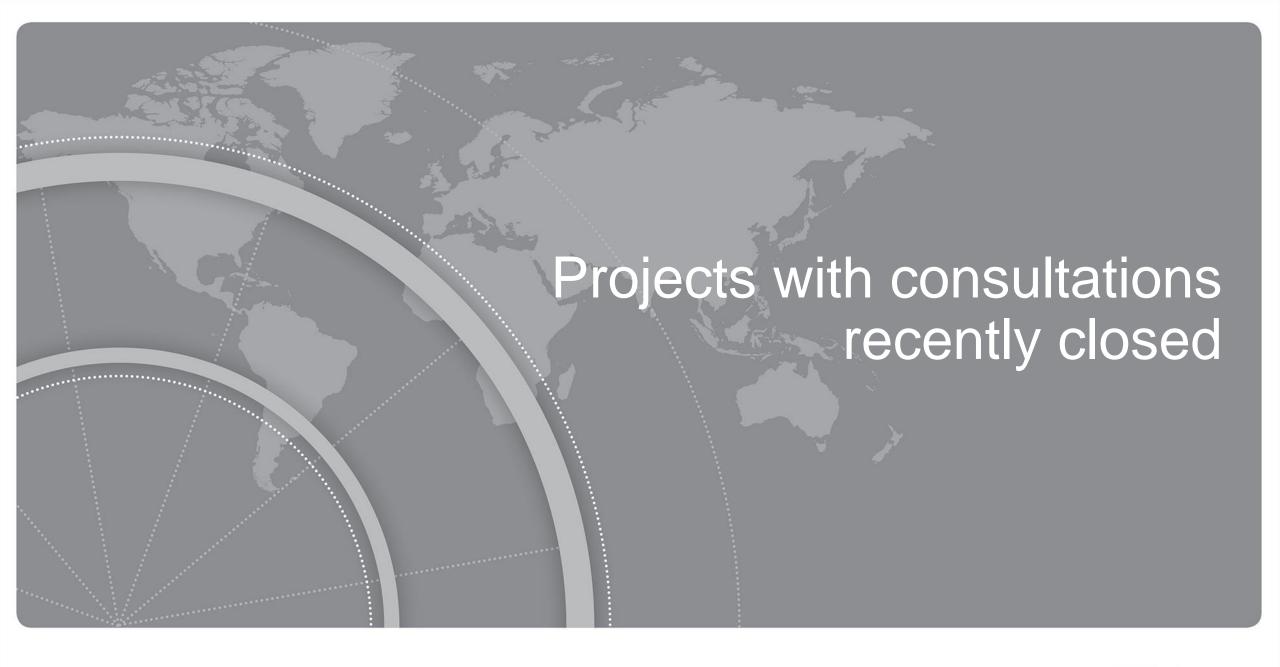




Provide information that enable investors to assess the effects of supplier finance arrangements on a company's liabilities and cash flows.

#### Proposed amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7

- **Describe** the characteristics of an arrangement for which an entity would be required to provide the proposed disclosure
- Add qualitative and quantitative disclosure requirements for supplier finance arrangements to meet the disclosure objective
- Highlight the required disclosure of liquidity risk and risk management and of non-cash changes in financing liabilities arising from supplier finance arrangements





## IASB discussing ...

#### **Next step: IFRS Standard**

- Primary Financial Statements
- Rate-regulated Activities

#### **Next step: IFRS Amendment**

Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback

#### **Next step: Exposure Draft**

 Second Review of the IFRS for SMEs Standard

#### **Next step: Feedback Statement**

 Post-implementation Review of IFRS 10, IFRS 11 and IFRS 12

#### **Next step: Decide Project Direction**

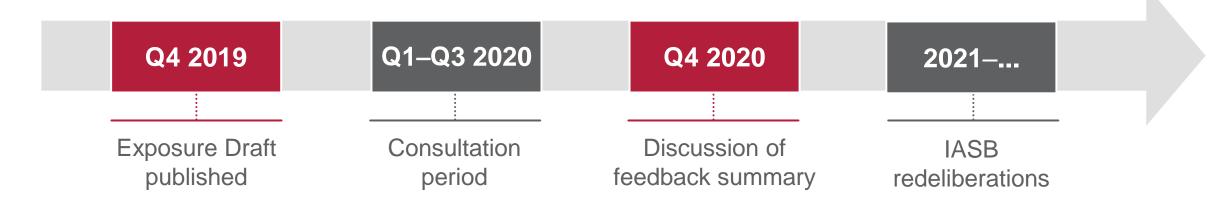
- Goodwill and Impairment
- Business Combinations under Common Control
- Lack of Exchangeability

#### Next step: Stakeholder Feedback

- Management Commentary
- Disclosure Initiative—Targeted Standardslevel Review of Disclosures
- Disclosure Initiative—Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures
- Post-implementation Review of IFRS 9— Classification and Measurement



## **Primary Financial Statements**





### **Objective**

- Improve communication in financial statements
- Focus on information included in the statement of profit or loss

#### **Main proposals**

- Require additional defined subtotals in statement of profit or loss
- 2 Strengthen requirements for disaggregating information
- Require disclosures about management performance measures

## Rate-regulated Activities





#### **Objective**

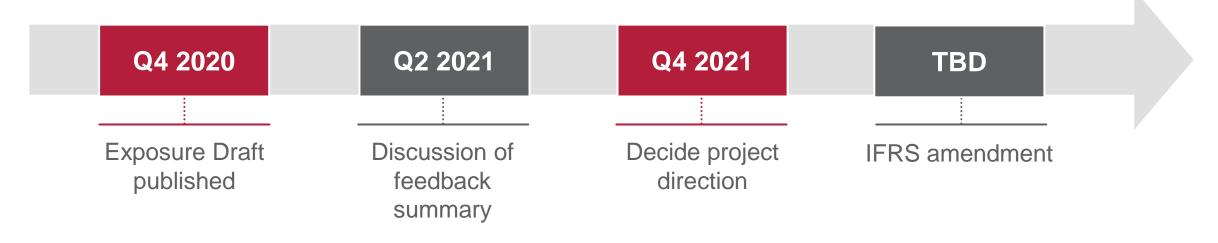
 Provide information about the effects of regulatory income, regulatory expense, regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities on companies' financial performance and financial position

#### Main proposals

- Require recognition of regulatory assets, regulatory liabilities, regulatory income and regulatory expense
- Reflect compensation for goods or services supplied as part of a company's reported financial performance for the period in which it supplies those goods or services
- Measure regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities using a cash-flow-based measurement technique



# Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback





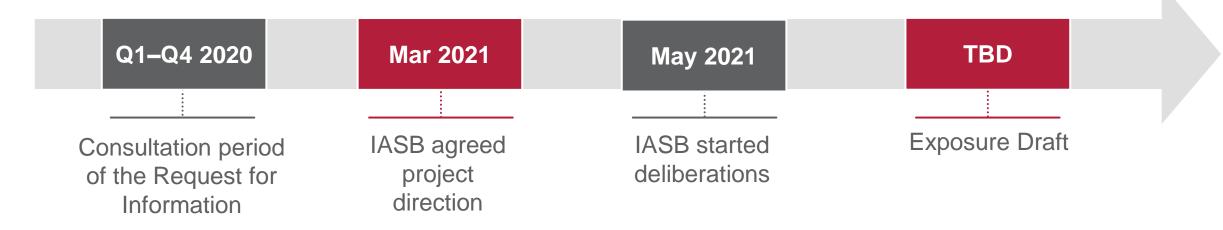
## **Objective**

Improve the measurement requirements for sale and leaseback transactions — particularly those with variable payments

#### **Proposed amendments to IFRS 16**

- Specify **the method** used in initially measuring the right-of-use asset and liability arising in a sale and leaseback transaction
- Specify subsequent measurement requirements for the lease liability in a sale and leaseback transaction

## Second Review of the IFRS for SMEs Standard





## **Objective**

 Update the IFRS for SMEs Standard for new requirements in IFRS Standards that are in the scope of the review

#### Approach

- Apply alignment approach to decide how to update the IFRS for SMEs Standard
- The alignment approach uses the principles of relevance to SMEs, simplicity and faithful representation, including the assessment of costs and benefits, to identify possible amendments

# Post-implementation Review of IFRS 10, IFRS 11 and IFRS 12



### **Topics in the Request for Information**



 Assess whether IFRS 10, IFRS 11 and IFRS 12 are working as intended

- Control assessment, investment entities, specific accounting requirements
- Collaborative arrangements, classifying joint arrangements, requirements for joint operations
- Whether the disclosures provided applying IFRS 12 meet the Standard's objective

Consolidated reports

Joint arrangements

**Disclosures** 

# **Goodwill and Impairment**

2013-2015 2015-2019 Q1 2020 Q2-Q4 2020 2021-H1 2022 IFRS 3 Post-Development of Discussion Consultation Discussion of implementation Discussion Paper published period feedback Review Paper

### **Preliminary views**



 Improve information companies provide about their acquisitions

- Disclose management's objectives for acquisitions and subsequently disclose the performance against those objectives
  - Some targeted improvements to existing standards
- Retain impairment-only model for goodwill
  - Simplify impairment test
- Present amount of total equity excluding goodwill

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  - Do not change recognition of intangibles separately from goodwill

## **Business Combinations under Common Control**





- Fill a 'gap' in IFRS Standards
- Give investors the information they need without imposing unnecessary costs on companies

#### **Preliminary views**

- Specify which method should be applied in which circumstances to reduce diversity in practice and improve transparency in reporting
- Use the **acquisition method** set out in IFRS 3 *Business Combinations* for combinations that affect investors outside the group, including all
- for combinations that affect investors outside the group, including all combinations by companies whose shares are publicly traded
- Use a **book-value method** to be specified in IFRS Standards in all other cases such as group restructurings involving wholly-owned subsidiaries

# Lack of Exchangeability





Improve usefulness of information provided by requiring a consistent approach to determining whether a currency is exchangeable into another currency and the exchange rate to use when it is not

#### **Proposed amendments to IAS 21**

- Specify when exchangeability between two currencies is lacking and how to make that assessment
- **Estimate the spot exchange rate** when exchangeability is lacking
- Disclose how the lack of exchangeability affects, or is expected to affect, the entity's financial performance, financial position, and cash flows

# **Management Commentary**





Overhaul IFRS Practice
Statement 1 to provide a
comprehensive framework
for preparing management
commentary—building on
recent developments in
narrative reporting

#### Features of the proposals

- Focus on information needs of investors and creditors
- 2 Disclosure objectives + supporting guidance
- Would bring together in one report **financial**, **sustainability** and **other** information about matters fundamental to entity's long-term prospects

# Disclosure Initiative—Targeted Standards-level Review of Disclosures





 Improve the IASB's approach to developing disclosure requirements in a way that enables companies to enhance their judgement and provide more decision-useful information for investors

### **Main proposals**

- New approach for the IASB to use when developing and drafting disclosure requirements in IFRS Standards (proposed Guidance)
- Replace disclosure requirements in IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement and IAS 19 Employee Benefits with a new set of disclosure requirements developed applying the proposed Guidance
- Focus compliance on detailed disclosure objectives rather than prescriptive requirements, thus requiring companies to apply judgement



# Disclosure Initiative—Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures





To permit eligible subsidiaries to apply the disclosure requirements in the draft Standard and the recognition, measurement and presentation requirements in IFRS Standards

#### Features of the proposals

- Sets out reduced disclosure requirements for eligible subsidiaries
- 2 A voluntary standard forming part of the IFRS Standards
- Would **reduce costs** for preparers and **maintain usefulness** of the financial statements

## Post-implementation Review of IFRS 9— Classification and Measurement





 Assess whether the classification and measurement requirements in IFRS 9 are working as intended

#### **Topics in the Request for Information**

Business model, SPPI, Fair value changes in equity instruments

**Financial assets** 

Presentation of own credit gains and losses

Financial liabilities

Modifications to contractual cash flows, Effective interest method, Transition to IFRS 9

Other topics





# Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Equity

#### **Purpose**

- Improve the information that companies provide in their financial statements about financial instruments that they have issued
- Address challenges with applying IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation

#### **Approach**

- Explore clarifying IAS 32 classification principles (rather than rewriting IAS 32) to address practice issues (eg classification of financial instruments settled in the issuer's own equity instruments)
- Provide classification guidance and illustrative examples
- Improve presentation and disclosure

#### **Next milestone**

**Exposure Draft** 

## **Dynamic Risk Management**

#### **Objective**

Develop an accounting model that will better reflect a company's dynamic risk management process in the financial statements. The process involves understanding and managing the amount, timing and uncertainty caused by interest rate risks

#### Overview of the DRM model

- Companies dynamically manage the current net open risk position—that is, the net of eligible assets and liabilities, including core demand deposits
- The risk mitigation intention is the extent of current net open position that the company dynamically manages using derivatives
- When designated derivatives are successful in mitigating the repricing risk due to changes in interest rates and achieving the entity's target profile, changes in the fair value of such derivatives are recognised in OCI and reclassified to the statement of profit or loss over time

#### **Next steps**

Continue the redeliberation of key issues identified in the meetings with preparers

# **Provisions—Targeted Improvements to IAS 37**

#### Objective

 Develop proposals for three targeted amendments to IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

#### **Targeted amendments**

- Align requirements for identifying liabilities with Conceptual Framework
- Clarify which costs to include in measure of a provision
- Specify whether discount rates used should reflect entity's own credit risk

#### **Next steps**

Staff will prepare a project plan for consideration by the IASB

# **Equity Method**

#### **Objective**

Assess whether application questions with the equity method as set out in IAS 28
 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures can be addressed in consolidated and individual financial statements by identifying and explaining the principles of IAS 28

#### Project plan

- Identify application questions in the equity method and decide which of these problems to address
- Address application questions by identifying and explaining the principles that underlies
   IAS 28

#### **Next steps**

Decide project direction

### **Extractive Activities**

#### **Objective**

Provide more useful information about exploration and evaluation expenditure and activities
accounted for applying IFRS 6 Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources by
improving the transparency and comparability of this information

#### Project scope

- Explore developing requirements or guidance to improve the disclosure objectives and requirements about a company's exploration and evaluation expenditure and activities
- Explore removing the temporary status of IFRS 6

#### **Next steps**

Consider research to be performed





# **Third Agenda Consultation**

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work plan from

2022 to 2026.



IASB's work plan



new financial reporting issues that could be given priority in the

# Strategic direction and balance of the IASB's activities



After considering cross-cutting themes, such as implications of connectivity with the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB), and consistent with stakeholders' feedback, the IASB decided:

- to begin no new activities within the current scope of its work; and
- to leave its current level of focus on its main activities largely unchanged.

Activity	Current level of focus	IASB's decision
New Accounting Standards and major amendments	40%–45%	Slightly decrease
Maintenance and consistent application	15%–20%	Leave unchanged
The IFRS for SMEs Standard	5%	Leave unchanged
Digital financial reporting	5%	Slightly increase
Understandability and accessibility of Accounting Standards	5%	Slightly increase (indirect support of maintenance and consistent application)
Stakeholder engagement	20%–25%	Leave unchanged

# Criteria for assessing priority of financial reporting issues that could be added to the IASB's work plan



#### The IASB decided:

- not to reprioritise projects on its current work plan, but to continue working on those projects.
- not to make any changes to the list of criteria but to proceed with the list as proposed in the Request for Information.

#### **Overarching consideration**

whether a potential project will meet investors' needs, while taking into account the costs of producing the information

- 1) the importance of the matter to **investors**
- whether there is a **deficiency** in current reporting
- 3 the **type of companies** affected and jurisdictions where the matter is more prevalent
- 4 how **pervasive or acute** the matter is likely to be for companies
- 5 the potential project's interaction with other projects
- 6 the complexity and feasibility of the potential project and its solutions
- 7 the **capacity** of the IASB and its stakeholders to progress the potential project



# Financial reporting issues that could be added to the IASB's work plan—to be decided in March–April 2022



- The IASB should not add too many new projects to the work plan as it will need capacity to deal with emerging issues and interaction with the ISSB
- Some projects are related and could be worked on at the same time—for example, intangible assets and cryptocurrencies
- The IASB should work on climate-related risks and pollutant pricing mechanisms (PPM) together with the ISSB

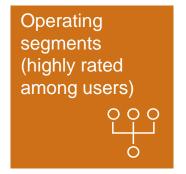
#### Some of the most commonly suggested projects (in alphabetical order)

















## **About the IFRS Foundation**

#### Our organisation

- Not-for-profit, public-interest organisation
- Three-tier governance model
  - 1. Monitoring Board (oversight)
  - 2. Trustees (governance & strategy)
  - 3. IASB + ISSB (standards)
- Extensive, inclusive due process

#### **Our mission**

Develop IFRS Standards that bring transparency, accountability and efficiency to financial markets around the world

#### **IFRS Accounting Standards**

Required for use by more than 140 jurisdictions around the world

# **Current sustainability reporting landscape**

#### **International initiatives**

- Voluntary application
- Multiple standards
- Multiple audiences

#### **Jurisdictional initiatives**

- Different jurisdictions, different requirements
- Differences in scope, ambition and pace

## Consequences

Cost & complexity in reporting 'Alphabet soup' of requirements Selective & inconsistent application of 'Greenwashing' risk voluntary standards Different requirements by different Lack of global comparability & consistency jurisdictions Lack of capital market rigour (mandated standards, audited information, digital Lack of confidence and trust in information reporting)

Impediment to financial market participation in drive towards Net Zero

## **Demand-driven process**

#### What we asked

- Demand for global sustainability disclosure standards?
- Should the IFRS Foundation play a role?
- Is the solution a sustainability-focused standard-setting board within the IFRS Foundation?



#### What we heard

- 750+ comment letters across stakeholder groups, geographies & economic settings
- Growing and urgent demand for global standards to improve consistency and comparability
- Broad support for Foundation to play a role
- ESG focus but climate first



# COP26 announcement (November 2021)



1. Formation of the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB)



Consolidation with Climate
 Disclosure Standards Board
 (CDSB) & Value Reporting
 Foundation (VRF)



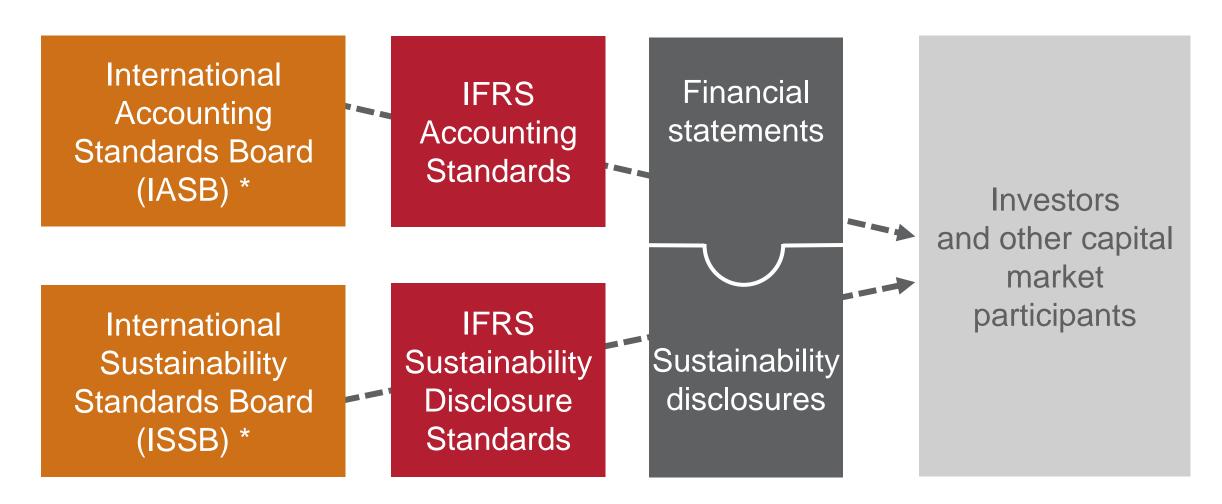
3. Publication of climate and general disclosure prototype requirements
(developed by Technical Readiness Working Group)

Creates the necessary institutional arrangements and technical groundwork for a global sustainability disclosure standard-setter for the financial markets

## **Governance structure**

IFRS Foundation Monitoring Board Public accountability Governance, **IFRS** Foundation Trustees strategy & oversight **IFRS** Advisory Council **International Accounting** International Sustainability Independent (provides advice to standard-setting Standards Board (IASB) Standards Board (ISSB) Trustees, IASB & related activity & ISSB) IFRS Sustainability IFRS Accounting Standards Disclosure Standards **IFRS** Interpretations Committee

## Compatible standards to meet investors' needs



<sup>\*</sup> Integrated Reporting Council to advise IASB and ISSB on connectivity via fundamental concepts / guiding principles of integrated reporting

## ISSB's remit



Develop global baseline of sustainability disclosure standards



Focus on meeting the information needs of investors



Will enable companies to provide comprehensive sustainability information for the global capital markets



Facilitate the addition of requirements that are jurisdiction-specific or aimed at a broader group of stakeholders

## Recommended architecture for ISSB requirements

#### **General requirements**

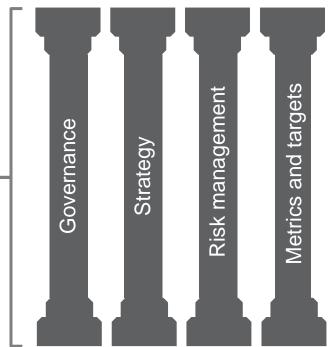
(overall sustainability-disclosure requirements)

**Themes** 

(first: climate)

#### **Industry**

(disclosures specific to an industry)



Standards focused on matters critical to the way an entity operates

# Prototypes developed by the TRWG

#### **General disclosure requirements**

- Overall requirements for disclosing sustainability-related financial information relevant to the company's sustainability-related risks and opportunities
- Provides connectivity between financial statements and sustainability-related disclosures

**Objective:** require companies to provide material information about their exposure to sustainability-related risks and opportunities that is useful to investors

#### **Climate-related disclosures**

- Requirements for identification, measurement and disclosure of climate-related financial information
- Incorporates TCFD recommendations
- Includes cross-industry and industry-based (based on SASB Standards) metrics

**Objective:** require companies to provide material information about their exposure to climate-related risks and opportunities

Covers: governance, strategy, risk management, metrics and targets

# **Appointments**



Emmanuel Faber Chair



**Sue Lloyd** Vice-Chair



Janine Guillot Special Advisor

## **Next steps**

**Appointments** Remaining ISSB members Proposed climate and general disclosure standards, digital taxonomy, Consultations work plan and future priorities (due process) Advisory groups Appoint members to technical and jurisdictional groups Consolidation CDSB completed, VRF by June 2022 Location Implement multi-location approach for global footprint

## Call to action



Continue applying existing frameworks



Get familiar with the prototypes – early indication of direction of travel



Be ready to share your views – public consultation coming



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# ISSB – key developments and next steps

COP26 announcement	Post-COP26 announcements	Current focus	Next steps
Formation of ISSB	<ul> <li>Appointment of ISSB         Chair, Vice-Chair and         Special Advisor to ISSB         Chair</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Recruiting remaining ISSB members</li> <li>Implementing multi- location model</li> <li>Forming advisory groups</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Appoint ISSB members</li> <li>Trustees meeting in Frankfurt Q1, Montreal Q2</li> <li>Appoint advisory group members</li> </ul>
Consolidation – CDSB & VRF	Completion of CDSB consolidation	<ul> <li>Preparing for VRF consolidation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete VRF consolidation by end of Q2</li> </ul>
Publication of prototypes		<ul><li>Developing proposals based on prototypes</li><li>Planning outreach</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Publish proposed standards for consultation by end of Q1</li> </ul>

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