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## Targeted Outreach Activities on Primary Financial Statements Cover Note

### Objective

- 1 The objective of the session is to discuss targeted outreach activities on a selection of tentative decisions made by the IASB that represent a change to the proposals in the Exposure Draft *General Presentation and Disclosures* ('the ED') issued in 2019, including:
  - (a) objective, planned activities and collaboration with national standard setters;
  - (b) when and how the roundtable discussions will be conducted; and
  - (c) participants and materials for the roundtable discussions.

### Background

- 2 In December 2019, the IASB published the ED *General Presentation and Disclosures* focused on improving how information is communicated in the financial statements, with a focus on information about performance in the statement of profit or loss. The IASB's comment period ended in September 2020.
- 3 Early in 2021, the IASB discussed the feedback received and has since made tentative decisions on key aspects of the proposals in response to the feedback received. Some of these tentative decisions result in changes from the proposals in the ED.
- 4 The IASB is now launching an outreach on a targeted selection of its tentative decisions through roundtable discussions. The topics selected for outreach are those where the IASB's tentative decisions change the proposals in the ED (please see agenda papers 13-02 to 13-04)

### Objective, planned activities and collaborations with national standard setters

- 5 The objective of the targeted outreach is to receive feedback from a range of stakeholders that will help EFRAG and the IASB to assess whether the selected tentative decisions will function as intended and achieve the intended balance of costs and benefits.
- 6 The information obtained in the outreach will help the IASB in completing its due process on the proposals in the ED and will be used to support the IASB's decisions on any of the proposals before issuing the final IFRS Accounting Standard.
- 7 The outreach will also support EFRAG's potential endorsement advice activities once the final IFRS Accounting Standard is published.
- 8 For that purpose, the EFRAG Secretariat is planning to organise:

## Targeted Outreach Activities on PFS

- (a) One roundtable with corporate companies (e.g. Energy, Industrials, Healthcare, Technology, Telecoms, Utilities, etc), including those that conduct investing or financing activities as part or in the course of their main business activities (e.g. manufacturer providing financing to customers);
  - (b) One roundtable with Financial Institutions (e.g. banks and insurance companies), conglomerates and investment property companies;
  - (c) One roundtable with users and preparers, in the form of a webinar, with the objective of discussing whether the IASB has achieved the intended balance of costs and benefits; and
  - (d) Discussions with the EFRAG Working Groups including EFRAG User Panel and ad hoc meetings with representatives of users and preparers.
- 9 Finally, the EFRAG Secretariat would like to develop these activities in cooperation with European national standard setters.

### Questions for EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS

- 10 Do EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members have any comments or suggestions on the EFRAG Secretariat planned activities?
- 11 Do EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members have any suggestions on forms of cooperation with European national standard setters?

### When and how the roundtable discussions will be conducted

- 12 The roundtable discussions are expected to take place in October and November 2022, after the IASB's meeting in September 2022 on unusual items.
- 13 Participants will receive a set of documents prepared by the EFRAG Secretariat and the IASB Staff that include background information on the project, the selected decisions the IASB is seeking feedback on and specific questions for participants.
- 14 The roundtable discussions with preparers (corporate and financial institutions) will be closed online events with the participation of the IASB and national standard setters. The roundtable discussion with users and preparers is expected to be a public online event with the participation of the IASB.
- 15 In the end, EFRAG will prepare summaries reports and publish them on its website. The summary reports will also be discussed by EFRAG in future public meetings, including with EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS in November 2022.

### Questions for EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS

- 16 Do EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members have any comments or suggestions on the timing of the outreach activities?
- 17 Do EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members have any comments or suggestions on how the roundtable discussions will be conducted?

### Participants and materials for the roundtable discussions

- 18 The EFRAG Secretariat is planning to invite companies that have joined EFRAG's field-testing in 2020 to participate in the roundtable discussions. EFRAG would welcome any information on other interested companies that national standards setters may know.
- 19 The materials for the roundtable discussions have been updated as background agenda papers. Nonetheless, additional material may be prepared related to unusual items, which the IASB will discuss in September 2022.

- 20 In addition, the EFRAG Secretariat will also prepare additional materials and specific questions for European constituents.

**Questions for EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS**

- 21 Are EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members aware of companies that may be interested in participating in the roundtable discussions? If so, are EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members interested in participating in the roundtable discussions when a company of its jurisdiction participates?
- 22 Do EFRAG FR TEG-CFSS members have any general suggestions on additional documents or specific questions that may be needed to be addressed in the materials for participants?

**Next steps**

- 23 The EFRAG Secretariat will be in close contact with EFRAG CFSS members for any potential collaboration for the roundtable discussions.

**Agenda Papers**

- 24 In addition to this cover note, agenda papers for this session are:
- (a) Agenda paper 06-02 – IASB Outreach Information – Questions to participants;
  - (b) Agenda paper 06-03 – IASB Outreach Information - Appendix; and
  - (c) Agenda paper 06-04 – IASB Outreach Information - Project as at July 2022.