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IFRS Updates

- **IASB amends IFRS Standards to improve accounting policy disclosures and clarify the distinction between accounting policies and accounting estimates**

The IASB has issued narrow-scope amendments to IFRS standards to help companies improve accounting policy disclosures so that they provide more useful information to investors and other primary users of the financial statements and distinguish changes in accounting estimates from changes in accounting policies.

The amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 will be effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, with early application permitted.

Find out more details [here](#).

- **Consultation to extend support for lessees accounting for COVID-19-related rent concessions**

On 11 February, the IASB published for consultation a proposal to extend by one year the application period of the amendment to IFRS 16 Leases issued in 2020 to help lessees accounting for COVID-19-related rent concessions. The original amendment issued in May 2020 applies to rent concessions that reduce only lease payments due on or before 30 June 2021. Because the COVID-19 pandemic is still at its height, the Board proposes to extend the relief to cover rent concessions that reduce only lease payments due on or before 30 June 2022.

Given the urgent nature of the proposal, a 14-day period has been approved, with deadline on 25 February 2021.

Read more details [here](#).

- **IFRIC February 2021 [Update](#)**
- **Virtual workshop on Discussion Paper Business Combinations under Common Control**

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The IASB, in conjunction with the European Accounting Association (EAA) and the European Financial Reporting Advisory Group (EFRAG), held a virtual research workshop on 29 January 2021 about the Discussion Paper Business Combinations under Common Control. The recording can be accessed [here](#).

➤ **IASB proposes new IFRS Standard to give investors a more complete picture of the financial performance of rate-regulated companies**

The IASB has published proposals for a new accounting standard that would require companies subject to rate regulation to give investors better information about their financial performance.

Currently, IFRS Standards do not require companies to give investors information about differences in timing when a company supplies goods or services and when the company can charge customers for those goods or services, provoking that the revenue reported for a period and the assets and liabilities reported at the end of that period do not give a complete picture of the amount the company is entitled to charge for goods or services supplied in that period.

The proposed Standard would introduce a requirement for companies to give investors such information by reporting regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities in their balance sheet, and related regulatory income and regulatory expense in their income statement.

The deadline for comments is 30 June 2021. More details can be accessed [here](#).

➤ **The IFRS Foundation announces first step in overhaul of future digital experience**

The IFRS Foundation announced plans to move the Foundation's three existing websites (the existing public website, the eIFRS and the Archive) into a single, unified platform. The new platform will launch in April 2021 and represents the first step in the Foundation's multi-year programme to enhance the digital experience it offers its stakeholders. Read more details [here](#).

➤ **January 2021 IASB podcast**

The IASB's Vice-Chair Sue Lloyd talks about the Board's discussions at the meeting held on 26 January 2021, including:

- feedback received on the consultation paper Exposure Draft General Presentation and Disclosures;

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- decisions made on the Disclosure Initiative—Subsidiaries that are SMEs project;
- an overview of the Board’s current work plan;
- the recently published Exposure Draft Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities; and
- the upcoming consultation on Disclosure Initiative—Targeted Standards-level Review of Disclosures.

The podcast can be accessed [here](#).

IASB Consultations

IASB invitations to comment:

- **Exposure Draft** – *Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities* by **30 June 2021**

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