

Appendix 1

Question 1 – Strategic direction and balance of the Board's activities

The Board's main activities include:

- *developing new IFRS Standards and major amendments to IFRS Standards;*
- *maintaining IFRS Standards and supporting their consistent application;*
- *developing and maintaining the IFRS for SMEs Standard;*
- *supporting digital financial reporting by developing and maintaining the IFRS Taxonomy;*
- *improving the understandability and accessibility of the Standards; and*
- *engaging with stakeholders.*

Paragraphs 14–18 and Table 1 provide an overview of the Board's main activities and the current level of focus for each activity. We would like your feedback on the overall balance of our main activities.

- (a) Should the Board increase, leave unchanged or decrease its current level of focus for each main activity? Why or why not? You can also specify the types of work within each main activity that the Board should increase or decrease, including your reasons for such changes.*
- (b) Should the Board undertake any other activities within the current scope of its work?*

The DASB considers the developments in the last five years, related to the large projects of IASB (including IFRS 9, IFRS 15, IFRS 16 and IFRS 17) to have been quite successful. For the coming years it will be important to maintain and support the consistent application of the current IFRS standards and not to focus too much on new 'major projects'.

The main focus should be on the connectivity between financial and sustainability reporting. The DASB strongly suggests that the IASB and ISSB will interact as much as possible in order to develop interconnected standard setting. It is considered important that the both boards will coordinate their efforts in regards to the (future) projects on 'climate related / sustainability related (financial) disclosures' and 'going concern'.

Question 2 – Criteria for assessing the priority of financial reporting issues that could be added to the Board's work plan

Paragraph 21 discusses the criteria the Board proposes to continue using when assessing the priority of financial reporting issues that could be added to its work plan.

- (a) Do you think the Board has identified the right criteria to use? Why or why not?*
- (b) Should the Board consider any other criteria? If so, what additional criteria should be considered and why?*

The DASB considers the (seven) proposed criteria, in deciding whether to add a potential project to the IASB work plan, to be sufficient. We noted that the first four criteria were mentioned as such in the (Due Process) Handbook, whilst the other three criteria were mentioned as 'practical criteria' in the previous (2015) Agenda Consultation. It would indeed be useful to also add the latter criteria to the Handbook. The DASB considers priority setting to be very important, also due to the time-constraints there needs to be a balance between (sense of) urgency and (awaited) practical impact. We suggest the IASB to consider whether some (qualitative) ranking would need to be applied between

the criteria and for example rank the first four criteria as the primary criteria and the three other, more practical criteria, as secondary/confirmatory.

Question 3

Paragraphs 24–28 provide an overview of financial reporting issues that could be added to the Board’s work plan.

- (a) *What priority would you give each of the potential projects described in Appendix B—high, medium or low—considering the Board’s capacity to add financial reporting issues to its work plan for 2022 to 2026 (see paragraphs 27–28)? If you have no opinion, please say so. Please provide information that explains your prioritisation and whether your prioritisation refers to all or only some aspects of the potential projects. The Board is particularly interested in explanations for potential projects that you rate a high or low priority.*
- (b) *Should the Board add any financial reporting issues not described in Appendix B to its work plan for 2022 to 2026? You can suggest as many issues as you consider necessary taking into consideration the Board’s capacity to add financial reporting issues to its work plan for 2022 to 2026 (see paragraphs 27–28). To help the Board analyse the feedback, when possible, please explain:*
- (i) *the nature of the issue; and*
 - (ii) *why you think the issue is important.*

The DASB is of the opinion that there is an urgent need to address the considerations and disclosures regarding ‘going concern’, this should be classified as highest priority.

We refer to the table below (based on Table 5 of RFI, Appendix B) for the DASB’s level of priority:

Project	High	Medium	Low
Borrowing costs			√
Climate-related risks ¹	√		
Commodity transactions		√	
Crypto currencies and related transactions		?	
Discontinued operations and disposal groups		√	
Discount rates		√	
Employee benefits			√
Expenses - inventory and cost of sales		√	
Foreign currencies		√	
Going concern	√		
Government grants		√	
Income taxes		√	
Inflation			√
Intangible assets	√		

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Interim financial reporting			√
Negative interest rates		√	
Operating segments		√	
Other comprehensive income		√	
Pollutant pricing mechanisms ²	√		
Separate financial statements		√	
Statement of cash flows and related matters	√		
Variable and contingent consideration	√		

As set out in our cover letter, our highest priorities are based on a) climate and sustainability related matters in financial reporting and their interconnectivity with sustainability reporting and b) topics that have been specific identified based on user needs.

Question 4

Do you have any other comments on the Board's activities and work plan?

Appendix A provides a summary of the Board's current work plan.

Not at this moment.

² Related to connecting financial and sustainability reporting