

Live webinar: Shaping the Future of Sustainability Reporting in Hong Kong - Exposure Drafts on HKFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards

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The Financial Reporting Standards Committee of the HKICPA is seeking **comments** on the Exposure Drafts for HKFRS S1 *General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information* and HKFRS S2 *Climate-related Disclosures* (HK EDs).

The HKFRS S1 and S2 (HKFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards) are crucial for aligning Hong Kong's sustainability reporting with global baseline, enhancing consistency and comparability to meet investors' needs.

Key Highlights of the HK EDs include:

- **Full Convergence:** The HKICPA is proposing full convergence of HKFRS S1 and S2 with IFRS S1 and S2, to be effective from 1 August 2025.
- **International Significance:** Hong Kong's proposed full convergence with the ISSB Standards has global significance as it would bolster global capital flows with local business as well as those in mainland China and other regions. It would also promote interoperability across jurisdictions.
- **Voluntary Application:** HKFRS S1 and S2 will be voluntary until relevant authorities mandate their use.
- **Prioritisation of listed entities and regulated financial institutions:** As indicated in the HKSAR Government's *Vision Statement on Turning Obligations into Opportunities in Developing the Sustainability Disclosure Ecosystem* in Hong Kong, the application of HKFRS S1 and S2 will prioritise publicly accountable entities including listed entities and regulated financial institutions in Hong Kong such as banks, fund managers, insurance companies and MPF trustees.

In this webinar, the speaker will delve into:

- **The Journey of the HK EDs:** Learn about the history and development of these exposure drafts.
- **Why Global Alignment Matters:** Understand the reasons and benefits of full convergence with IFRS S1 and S2.
- **Understanding the HK EDs:** Gain insights into the key elements, scope, and application of the HKFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards.
- **The Path Forward:** Explore the next steps for sustainability reporting in Hong Kong.

The details of the live webinar are as follows:

Date	Friday, 4 October 2024
Time	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Format	Live webinar
Language	English
Fee	Free of charge
Participants	Accountants; Finance professionals; Financial controllers; Investors; CEOs; CFOs; ESG practitioners
Competency*	Sustainability
Rating*	Intermediate level
CPD hours	1 CPD Hour (subject to the actual attendance)
Enrolment deadline	30 September 2024
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