Australian Government

Australian Accounting Standards Board

# Annual Improvements Cycle 2014-2016

### **Project summary**

The Annual Improvements process has been adopted by the IASB to deal with narrow scope amendments to IFRS Standards that address matters raised by the IFRS Interpretations Committee and suggestions from staff or practitioners, and focus on areas of inconsistency in IFRS Standards or amendments to IFRS Standards.

Issues included in this cycle are:

- IFRS 1: *First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards* – Deletion of short-term exemptions for first-time adopters
- IFRS 12: *Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities* Clarification of the scope of the disclosure requirements
- IAS 28: Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures Measuring investees at fair value through profit or loss on an investment-byinvestment basis.

The IASB published Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014-2016 Cycle in December 2016. This project was completed in Australia with the issue of AASB 2017-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Transfers of Investment Property, Annual Improvements 2014-2016 Cycle and Other Amendments and AASB 2017-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Further Annual Improvements 2014-2016 Cycle in February 2017. AASB 2017-1 and AASB 2017-2 make amendments to the equivalent Australian Accounting Standards to address the topics noted above.

#### **Issued documents**

- ED 273 Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle (November 2015)
- AASB 2017-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Transfers of Investment Property, Annual Improvements 2014-2016 Cycle and Other Amendments (February 2017)

#### **Project status**

 Completed with the issue of AASB 2017-1 and AASB 2017-2

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Project status: Complete

Link to IASB project page

The staff of the AASB have prepared this summary for information purposes only. The Board decisions described are tentative and do not change current accounting pronouncements unless otherwise indicated. Official positions of the AASB are determined only after extensive due process and deliberations. While this summary is regularly updated, it does not provide a comprehensive review or statement of events and should not be treated as such.

Last updated: 18 May 2017

 AASB 2017-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Further Annual Improvements 2014-2016 Cycle (February 2017)

#### AASB outreach

#### **Board deliberations**

**AASB communications** 

- Comment letters received on ED 273
- AASB Action Alert Update and Board Papers
- AASB comment letter to IASB on ED/2015/10 (Feb 2016)

Latest project news	
Date	News
14 December 2016	December 2016 Action Alert
24 February 2016	February 2016 Action Alert

AASB Action Alert Update and Board Papers			
Meeting Date	Update		
December 2016	The Board decided the following amendments to Standards (from annual improvements, 2014-2016 cycle) are to be finalised out of session:		
	(a)	AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards;	
	(b)	AASB 12 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities; and	
	(c)	AASB 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures.	
	<ul> <li>The amendments to AASB 12 will apply to annual periods beginning on or after 1 Janua 2017 for all entities.</li> <li>The remaining pronouncements will apply to annual periods beginning on or after 1 Ja 2018 for the for-profit sector. As for the not-for-profit sector, the Board decided to dee the effective date of the remaining pronouncements to annual periods beginning on or 1 January 2019, consistent with the Board's previous decision to defer AASB 15 <i>Revent from Contracts with Customers</i> and its consequential amendments to other pronouncements for the not-for-profit sector.</li> </ul>		
	<u>14.1</u>	Staff paper: International Pronouncements	
February 2016	The Board generally supported the proposals in the IASB Exposure Draft ED/2015/10 Ani Improvements on IFRSs 2014 – 2016 Cycle, noting the AASB submission on the ED should		
	(a)	comment that determining the "not applicable" dates referred to the Basis for Conclusions of the ED is not straightforward;	
	(b)	recommend introducing "sunset clauses" for future short-term exemptions; and	
	(c)	recommend deleting the footnote to paragraph 44G of IFRS 7 <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures</i> .	
	<u>8.1</u>	Staff paper: Draft Comment letter to the IASB re Exposure Draft ED/2015/10 Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle	