



# Memorandum

<b>To:</b>	<b>AASB Board Members</b>	<b>Date:</b>	12 May 2015
<b>From:</b>	<b>Evelyn Ling</b>	<b>Agenda Item:</b>	16.1 (M145)
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>IVSC ED <i>Proposed Amendments to the International Valuation Standards</i></b>	<b>Project Priority</b>	Not a Board project
<b>Status:</b>	<b>Initial Consideration</b>	<b>Decision-Making:</b>	High

## Actions for this meeting

To decide whether a comment letter should be prepared in response to the International Valuation Standards Council (IVSC) Exposure Draft *Proposed Amendments to the International Valuation Standards* (IVSC ED).

## Link to IVSC Exposure Draft

<http://www.ivsc.org/sites/default/files/2015%20review%20%20ED%20approved.pdf>

## IVSC Exposure Draft

The IVSC ED was issued 20 March 2015 for comment by 19 June 2015. The IVSC ED proposes various amendments to International Valuation Standards (IVS), including amendments to update certain definitions (for example, changing the defined term ‘fair value’ to ‘equitable value’) and to update and make improvements to IVS 250 *Financial Instruments*.

The *Statement of Protocols for Co-Operation on International Financial Reporting Standards and International Valuation Standards*<sup>1</sup> notes that the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) is committed to providing input to the IVSC standards boards, as appropriate, on proposed amendments to standards and developments in valuation that are relevant to financial reporting, through regular exchanges of information, meetings and the IVSC staff’s outreach processes for researching new issues. At the time of writing this memo, AASB staff are not aware whether the IASB will comment on the IVSC ED, or the extent of their involvement in this IVSC project.

Board members are asked whether they consider that a comment letter should be prepared by the AASB in response to the IVSC ED. Staff think that a comment letter need not address all the proposals in the IVSC ED, but would focus more generally on whether the proposals are consistent with (or create issues for) financial reporting. Alternatively, the Board might direct staff to provide staff level comments to IVSC staff.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.ifrs.org/Use-around-the-world/Documents/IFRS-Foundation-IVSC-Protocol-February-2014.pdf>

**Question to Board Members**

- Q1 Do Board members consider that a comment letter should be prepared by the AASB in response to the IVSC ED?
- Q2 If the response to Q1 is no, do Board members wish to direct staff to provide staff level comments on the IVSC ED to IVSC staff?