

Meeting: IESBA

Meeting Location: Toronto, Canada

Meeting Date: April 7-9, 2014

Agenda Item

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Non-Assurance Services

Objectives of Agenda Item

1. To consider proposed enhancements to the Code on the topic of non-assurance services (NAS) and approve the proposed revised guidance for exposure.

Task Force

2. Members:
 - Kate Spargo, Chair, IESBA Member
 - Wui San Kwok, IESBA Member
 - Sylvie Soulier, IESBA Member
 - Don Thomson, IESBA Member

Activities Since Last IESBA Discussion

3. The Task Force met in January 2014 to consider the feedback received at the December 2013 IESBA meeting and further develop the proposed changes to the draft guidance pertaining to:
 - Clarification of the provisions concerning management responsibilities;
 - Clarification of the phrase “routine or mechanical” as it pertains to the provision of accounting and bookkeeping services; and
 - Examination of the “emergency exception” provisions related to bookkeeping and taxation services.

The Task Force also discussed the parameters of the proposed NAS position paper to be presented at the July 2014 IESBA meeting.

4. The Task Force subsequently met in March 2014 to consider the comments received on the project at the March 2014 IESBA Consultative Advisory Group (CAG) meeting, to finalize the proposed enhancements to the Code, and to consider conforming changes to Section 291 of the Code.

Material Presented

Agenda Item 2-A Issues Paper

Agenda Item 2-B Management Responsibilities (Mark-Up from Extant)

Agenda Item 2-C	Management Responsibilities (Clean)
Agenda Item 2-D	Management Responsibilities (Comparative Table)
Agenda Item 2-E	Preparing Accounting Records and Financial Statements (Mark-Up from Extant)
Agenda Item 2-F	Preparing Accounting Records and Financial Statements (Clean)
Agenda Item 2-G	Preparing Accounting Records and Financial Statement Comparative Table
Agenda Item 2-H	Conforming Changes to Section 291
Agenda Item 2-I	Draft Explanatory Memorandum

Draft to be Discussed at the Meeting

5. The Task Force proposes that the marked-up versions of the proposed enhancements to the Code (**Agenda Items 2-B and 2-E**) be discussed at the meeting.

Action Requested

6. The IESBA is asked to approve for exposure:
 - (a) The recommendation to delete the emergency situation provisions as they relate to bookkeeping and taxation services; and
 - (b) The proposed changes presented in Agenda Items 2-B and 2-E.