

IESBA Outreach and Related Activities for 2026

(January – June)

January

- Meeting with IFAC Professional Accountants in Business (PAIB) Advisory Group to discuss the IESBA Role of CFO project | January 9, 2026 (Reid, Vijian)
- Asia Outreach – Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong SAR | January 12-21 (Dias, Siong, Leung, Jorge, Leal)

Singapore outreach | January 12-13

- Meeting with the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants (ISCA) Ethics Committee (EC) Chair and ISCA management
- Meeting with Chief Financial Officers (CFOs) and other senior PAIBs
- ISCA podcast (Dias)
- Meeting with Pulkit Abrol, Director, and other representatives of ACCA Asia Pacific
- Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) Conference
 - IESBA update (Siong, Leung)
 - Presentation on IESBA Firm Culture and Governance (FCG) Viewpoints (Dias)
 - Panel session on FCG and Private Equity Investment in Accounting Firms (PEI) (Dias)
 - Fireside chat with IESBA on technology (Siong)
- Closed session with firms on FCG and post-implementation reviews (PIRs) of the IESBA NOCLAR standard and the Restructured Code

Malaysia outreach | January 15-16

- Meeting with Saniza Said, President; G Shanmugam, CEO; Ethics Standards Board members; and Executive Directors and senior staff of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA)
- Meeting with Dato Faiz Azmi, Chair; Alex Ooi, Executive Director and Head of Audit Oversight; and staff of the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)
- Meeting with Jennifer Lopez, Chief Executive, and staff of the Confederation of Asian and Pacific Accountants (CAPA)
- Closed session with firms on FCG and PIR of the IESBA NOCLAR standard
- Meeting with Soo Hoo Khoo Yean, President, and staff of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA)
- Meeting with members of the MIA PAIB Committee
- Meeting with representatives of the Institutional Investors Council

Hong Kong outreach | January 19-21

- Meeting with Kelvin Wong, Chair, and staff of the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC)

- Meeting with Martin Lee, Acting Director of Corruption Prevention, and staff of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC)
- Meeting with Stephen Law, President, and staff of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA)
- Meeting with firms on the PIR of the IESBA NOCLAR standard
- Meeting with PAIBs on the PIR of the IESBA NOCLAR standard
- Meeting with the HKICPA Ethics Committee
- Meeting with Dr David Sun, Chair; Janey Lai, CEO; and staff of the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council (AFRC)
- Meeting with Amar Gill, Secretary General, and staff of the Asian Corporate Governance Association (ACGA)
- Meeting with the Global Public Policy Committee (GPPC) Heads of Tax | January 26 (Siong, Vijian)
- Presentation to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN), *Understanding the IESBA Code: Emerging Ethics Standards* on the IESBA Code, the Conceptual Framework, and recent IESBA developments | January 28, 2026 (Nwazota, Cahoon)
- United Kingdom outreach – London | January 29 (Dias, Jorge)
 - Meeting with Derek Blair, President; Alan Vallance, CEO; Louise Coleman, Chief Membership Officer; Laura Hough, Director, Trust & Ethics; and David Gomez, Senior Advisor, Ethics, ICAEW
 - Meeting with Jen Sisson, CEO of the International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)
 - Meeting with Maggie McGhee, Executive Director, Strategy and Governance, ACCA
- XXV GRUDIS Conference, panel session on “Ethical Challenges in an AI Accounting Era” – Lisbon, Portugal | January 31 (Jorge)

February

- Op-ed in Eco Business magazine, “Why Ethics is Becoming Essential for Sustainability Professionals in Asia” (Dias)
- Introductory remarks at the IFAC-International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) workshop on ISSB Sustainability Standards in Thailand (Dias)

March

- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group meeting – London, UK | March 3 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- IESBA Role of CFOs Global Roundtable – Milan, Italy | March 4 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group organized by ACCA – London, UK | March 5 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group organized by ICAEW – London, UK | March 6 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Presentation at the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors, South Africa (IRBA) launch event for the adoption of IESBA and IAASB Sustainability Standards | March 16 (Dias, Leung, Leal, Sramko)

- Australia outreach – Sydney | March 24-25 (Dias, Wijesinghe)
 - Meeting with Debbie Smith, Chief Risk & Ethics Officer, and Ashley Wood, Partner, PwC
 - Meeting with Kate O'Rourke, Commissioner, and Claire LaBouchardiere, Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)
 - Meeting with Jeremy Hirschhorn, Second Commissioner, Client Engagement Group; and Rebecca Saint, Deputy Commissioner – Public Groups, Australian Taxation Office
 - Meeting with the Australian Accounting and Assurance Public Policy Committee (AAAPPC)
 - Meeting with the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board (APESB)
 - Keynote speech at the APESB's 20th Anniversary event (Dias)
- Forum of Firms meeting – Sydney, Australia | March 25 (Dias, Wijesinghe)
- Presentation to the PIOB Nominations Committee on key IESBA workstreams | March 25 (Reid)
- Presentation at the World Bank webinar (EAASURE Countries) on the revisions to the IESBA code since 2018 | March 26 (Reid, Sramko, Viljoen, Cahoon)
- Focus group meeting on the Firm Culture and Governance project with representatives of small and medium practices (SMPs) | March 25 (Lehuedé, Walters, Siong, Leung, Leal, Holt)
- Focus group meeting on the Firm Culture and Governance project with representatives of regulators and audit oversight bodies | March 26 (Lehuedé, Walters, Siong, Leung, Leal, Holt)
- Presentation at the HKICPA and ISCA webinar on “Navigating Independence Requirements for Group Audits” | March 27 (Lee¹)
- Presentation at the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) webinar on the “Key Features of the IESSA” and “Overview of Using the Work of an External Expert Standard” | March 31 (Leung, Sramko)
- Meeting with the Standards Coordination Working Group (SCWG) of the International Forum of Independent Audit Regulators (IFIAR) – Amsterdam, the Netherlands | March 31 (Dias, Siong)

April

- Presentation at the IAASB-IESBA User Advisory Group on the PIR of the IESBA NOCLAR standard | April 2 (Viljoen)
- Focus group meeting on the Firm Culture and Governance project with representatives of the GPPC | April 14 (Wijesinghe, Walters, Siong, Leung, Leal, Holt)
- Meeting of the IESBA and IAASB Chairs with the Global Accounting Alliance (GAA) | April 14 (Dias)
- IESBA Role of CFOs Global Roundtable – Nairobi, Kenya | April 16 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Presentation at the 2026 United Nations ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development, co-organized by UNDP, UNODC, the Norwegian and UK Governments, and leading integrity organizations – New York, USA | April 21 (Siong)

¹ Ms. Caroline Lee, former IESBA Deputy Chair

- Fourth CSRD Practice Forum hosted by Accountancy Europe and the European Contact Group (ECG) – Brussels, Belgium | April 21 (Sramko)
- Panelist at the 2026 CFE Tax Advisers Europe Forum, “Tax Policy Under Pressure: Strategy, Coherence & Trade-Offs” – Brussels, Belgium | April 23 (Siong)
- Standard Setters Panel at the IFIAR plenary meeting – Paris, France | April 23 (Dias)
- Presentation at the Lesotho Institute of Accountants Annual Ethics Webinar – Virtual | April 23 (Sramko, Viljoen)
- Panelist at the 5th East African Congress of Accountants (EACOA 2026) on “The Role of International Standards on Development of East African Countries” – Bujumbura, Burundi | April 24 (Wray)
- Stakeholder Advisory Council meeting – Madrid, Spain | April 27-28 (Dias, Wijesinghe, Siong, Leung, Reid, Sramko, Vijian, Viljoen)
- Presentations at the Pan African Federation of Accountants (PAFA) 2026 Quality Week:
 - “Ethics as the Foundation of Trust: Independence, NOCLAR and Enforcement in Africa” | April 28 (Mardini)
 - “Technology, AI and Data Analytics: Implications for Audit Quality and Ethics” | April 30 (Viljoen)
- IESBA-Jurisdictional Standard Setters meeting – Madrid, Spain | April 30-May 1 (Dias, Wijesinghe, Siong, Reid, Leal, Sramko, Vijian, Viljoen, Cahoon)

May

- Articles in the journal of the Indian Chamber of Tax Consultants’ May 2026 centenary special issue:
 - “Building an Ethical Culture in Professional Firms: Governance, Leadership, and Accountability” | Wijesinghe
 - “Ethical Challenges in Tax Practice: Navigating the Line Between Planning and Aggression” | Chaudhary, Vijian
- Multi-stakeholder meeting on the Firm Culture and Governance project with representatives of SMPs, regulators and audit oversight bodies, and the GPPC | May 5 (Wijesinghe, Walters, Lehuedé, Siong, Leung, Leal, Holt)
- Meeting with the IFAC SMP Advisory Group to discuss key IESBA workstreams | May 12 (Adam, Siong, Viljoen)
- Presentation at the IAASB-IESBA User Advisory Group on the Firm Culture and Governance project | May 12 (Lehuedé, Siong, Leung, Leal, Holt)
- IESBA Role of CFOs Global Roundtable – Hong Kong SAR | May 12 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Panelist at the Malta Institute of Accountants’ (MIA) Conference, in collaboration with the Accountancy Board in Malta, “From Oversight to Innovation: Driving Quality and Integrity in Accountancy” – Naxxar, Malta | May 19 (Sramko)
- Article in the MIA’s May 2026 journal The Accountant, “Ethics in a Transforming Profession: Strengthening Professional Standards Amid Technological Change” | Dias
- Regional Forum of Firms meeting – Buenos Aires, Argentina | May 19 (Lehuedé)

- IFAC Connect Latam – Buenos Aires, Argentina | May 20 (Lehuedé)
- Presentation on “Ethics as a Fundamental Pillar in an Audit Quality Management System” at a session organized by Asociación Interamericana de Contabilidad (AIC) – Buenos Aires, Argentina | May 21 (Lehuedé)
- Keynote speaker and panelist on the “Proportionality in the IESBA Code” at the European Federation of Accountants and Auditors for SMEs’ (EFAA) 2026 International Conference hosted by ACCA Ireland – Dublin, Ireland | May 21 (Dias)
- African Sustainability Country Champions meeting | May 26 (Reid, Cahoon)
- International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB), IAASB, and IESBA liaison meeting | May 26 (Singh, Reid, Cahoon)
- IESBA Role of CFOs discussion with Salvador Marin, President, and Peter Jeffs, Representative, EFAA | May 27 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Presentation on ethical challenges posed by AI, “Building Trust in AI Through Assurance: Research Directions and Curriculum Implications for Accounting Graduates” at the 48th Annual Congress of the European Accounting Association (EAA) – Prague, Czech Republic | May 28 (Jorge)

June

- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group meeting with CFO Board India | June 1 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Meeting with Bruce Vivian, Head of Education, Member Monitoring, and Development, and Dana Jensen, Head of Membership and Monitoring, IFAC, to provide input to IFAC’s Compliance Program consultation | June 1 (Siong, Reid, Cahoon)
- IESBA Role of CFOs Global Roundtable Latin America | June 2 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Forum of Firms meeting – New York, USA | June 2 (Miller, Siong, Leal)
- World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) Sustainability Conference 2026 hosted by Luxembourg Stock Exchange – Luxembourg | June 3 (Singh)
- Meeting with IOSCO Committee 1 (C1) – Madrid, Spain | June 3 (Dias, Siong, Jorge)
- Meeting with the GAA Ethics Working Group | June 3 (Siong, Kwan)
- Keynote address at the African Forum of Independent Accounting and Auditing Regulators (AFIAAR) Members’ Plenary Session | June 3 (Dias)
- Role of CFOs panel event in partnership with Chartered Accountants Worldwide (CAW) and Fordham University’s Gabelli School of Business – New York, USA | June 10 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Presentation at the June 2026 IAASB meeting on the IESBA’s Technology workstream – June 16 (Imura, Viljoen)
- Presentation at the South African Institute of Professional Accountants’ (SAIPA) 2026 International Accounting iNdaba – Johannesburg, South Africa | June 17 (Miller)
- Financial Stability Board (FSB) Roundtable on External Audit – Madrid, Spain | June 17 (Dias)
- Interview with Kaplan on firm culture and governance, technology and AI | June 18 (Siong)

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IESBA Meeting (June 2026)

- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group meeting Australia and New Zealand – Melbourne | June 19 (Wijesinghe, Reid)
- IFAC Connect Africa – Algiers, Algeria | June 24 (Nwazota)
- IESBA Role of CFOs focus group meeting with the IAASB-IESBA User Advisory Group | June 25 (Wray, Reid, Vijian)
- Speaker at the 10th anniversary of the Austrian Audit Oversight Authority (APAB) – Vienna, Austria (Jorge)