

Advert: Rate-regulated Activities Advisory Group

About the UKEB

The UK Accounting Standards Endorsement Board (UKEB) is responsible for the endorsement and adoption of new or amended international accounting standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), for use by UK companies.

The UKEB also serves the public interest by contributing to the research and development of high-quality IFRS Accounting Standards. It consults publicly with UK stakeholders to influence the development of the standards and to highlight any concerns to the IASB at every stage of their projects.

The UKEB is committed to building on the UK's position as a leading financial centre, guided by the key principles of accountability, independence, transparency and thought leadership.

Further information about our role can be found on the UKEB website.

The Advisory Groups

The UKEB's advisory groups are not decision-making bodies. They are advisory, consultative groups established to share specialist knowledge and provide technical advice.

The four standing advisory groups (for Accounting Firms & Institutes, Investors, Preparers and Academics), provide advice directly to the Board on relevant matters from their perspectives. Ad hoc groups, such as this Rate-regulated activities advisory group, will be set up for specific projects.

In addition, the UKEB is setting up a Financial Instruments working group to share specialist knowledge with, and provide technical advice to, the UKEB Secretariat.

The Role

The Members of the Rate-regulated Activities Advisory Group ("the RRA AG") will:

- Provide specialist knowledge and technical advice in respect of rate-regulated activities.
- Contribute practical experience and expertise including examples of best practice and potential solutions to improve the quality of financial reporting; and
- Prepare and/or contribute to the preparation of papers for discussion at the RRA AG's meetings.

Members will have extensive subject matter expertise in their area.

The Positions

The UKEB is looking to recruit 8–12 members for the RRA AG, which will be chaired by a UKEB Board Member.

The Board will seek to ensure that the RRA AG represents a diverse balance of skills, experience and backgrounds. The Board will also seek to ensure that the group is diverse in terms of gender, race and other characteristics.

Applications are welcomed from:

- Preparers working in rate-regulated industries
- Users of accounts with a particular interest in accounts of entities that undertake rate-regulated activities
- Individuals from professional services firms in the UK that provide services to entities with rate-regulated activities
- UK Regulators of entities with rate-regulated activities

Essential criteria

- Proven background and expertise in financial reporting under IFRS or the use of such financial statements, including subject matter expertise in financial reporting
- Good communication skills, including the ability to take part in constructive debate and provide reasoned arguments for views expressed.
- The ability to analyse complex issues, identify salient issues and to offer up potential solutions for further debate.
- The ability to influence and work collaboratively.
- An interest in, and an understanding of, the concerns and difficulties of their stakeholder groups, with particular focus on rate regulated activities.

Terms and conditions

The RRA AG members will be appointed to provide advice in their personal capacities, independently of their organisations. In particular circumstances, and subject to prior approval from the group's Chair, they could be represented by alternates.

A maximum of 6 meetings are expected to be scheduled each year, with timings of meetings to be determined based on IASB project timelines. These will run until the completion of the project. Additional, ad hoc discussions and/or requests for advice may occur outside the RRA AG's scheduled meetings.

RRA AG members will not be remunerated but will be entitled to claim travel, subsistence and other reasonable expenses incurred in fulfilling their duties, in accordance with the FRC's Travel and Expenses Policy.

In carrying out its work, the RRA AG shall have regard to the UK long term public good and shall act in accordance with the UKEB's guiding principles of accountability, independence, transparency and thought leadership. Members will be required to:

- Adhere to the RRA AG's Terms of Reference.
- Act in the public interest and to ensure compliance with the Seven Principles of Public Life.
- Declare relevant financial and non-financial interests on appointment and thereafter declare any conflicts of interest with their work at the UKEB.

Meetings will either be held virtually or in hybrid form (physically, with virtual attendance permitted). The physical location of meetings will be in central London.

How to Apply

To apply, please submit your CV and a covering letter, explaining why you are interested in the appointment and how you meet the candidate requirements detailed above, to advisorygroups@endorsement-board.uk.

Should the application proceed to the final stage, candidates will be asked to provide details of two referees.

The closing date for application is **Monday, 7 November 2022** at 11:59pm.

Appointment Process

Interviews will take place in w/c 28 November and 5 December 2022.