

## **Invitation to Comment**

# Call for comments on Draft Endorsement Criteria Assessment of *International Tax Reform-Pillar Two Model Rules* (Amendments to IAS 12)

**Deadline for completion of this Invitation to Comment:** 

Close of business, Monday 10 July 2023

Please submit to:

<u>UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk</u>

#### Introduction

The objective of this Invitation to Comment is to obtain input from stakeholders on the endorsement and adoption of *International Tax Reform—Pillar Two Model Rules* (Amendments to IAS 12) (the Amendments), published by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) in May 2023. The Amendments provide a mandatory temporary exception from deferred tax accounting in relation to Pillar Two top-up taxes alongside targeted disclosure requirements. The exception from deferred tax accounting will be effective immediately and retrospectively, together with the requirement to disclose that it has been applied. The targeted disclosure requirements will be effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023. The information collected from this Invitation to Comment is intended to help with the endorsement assessment.

#### **UK endorsement and adoption process**

The requirements for UK adoption are set out in Statutory Instrument 2019/685<sup>1</sup>.

The powers to formally adopt international accounting standards for use in the UK were delegated to the UK Endorsement Board in May 2021<sup>2</sup>.

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The International Accounting Standards and European Public Limited-Liability Company (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019: <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2019/685/made">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2019/685/made</a>

The International Accounting Standards (Delegation of Functions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021: <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2021/609/contents/made">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2021/609/contents/made</a>



### Who should respond to this Invitation to Comment?

Stakeholders with an interest in the quality of accounts prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

#### **How to respond to this Invitation to Comment**

Please download this document, answer any questions on which you would like to provide views, and return it to <a href="mailto:UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk">UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk</a> by close of business on Monday 10 July, 2023.

Brief responses to individual questions are welcome, as well as comprehensive responses to all questions.

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## Assessment against endorsement criteria

Our draft assessment concludes that:

- the Amendments meet the criteria of relevance, reliability, understandability and comparability required of the financial information needed for making economic decisions and assessing the stewardship of management, as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(c));
- application of the Amendments is not contrary to the principle that an entity's accounts must give a true and fair view as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(a)); and
- that the Amendments are likely to be conducive to the long term public good in the UK as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(b)), having considered:
  - whether they will generally improve the quality of financial reporting;
  - the costs and benefits that are likely to result from their use; and
  - whether they are likely to have an adverse effect on the economy of the UK, including on economic growth.

Our assessment of the Amendments is set out in **Section 2** of the DECA in the pages indicated below:

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## **Questions**

| Technical accou       | nting criteria ass   | essment                |                        |
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6. Please include any comments you may have in response to question 5, including if any costs or benefits have been omitted:

We welcome the amendments to the disclosure requirements which enable us to provide meaningful information on our exposure to pillar two income taxes.



7. Do you agree with the draft assessment that the Amendments are likely to be conducive to the **long term public good in the UK**? (please select one option)

| Yes |  | No |  |
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8. Please include any comments you may have in response to question seven:

We are supportive of the International Tax Reform amendments to IAS 12, which provide an exception from accounting for deferred tax arising from the Pillar Two model rules, and the revised disclosure requirements relating to the impact of Pillar Two.

## Thank you for completing this Invitation to Comment

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