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EFRAG CONFERENCE 2024 10/12/2024



On 10 December 2024 in Brussels, EFRAG hosted its third annual conference "Advancing Transparency & Competitiveness in Challenging Times". The event highlighted EFRAG's progress in sustainability reporting and new developments in financial reporting. High-level speakers discussed the evolving corporate reporting landscape.

Our insightful keynote speeches and our three panels covered the following aspects, among others:

- Advancing further Financial Reporting
- Advancing Sustainability Reporting globally for all economic players
- Advancing Sustainability Reporting implementation to meet business & strategic challenges

Take a look at the full programme and our speakers, recording and pictures [here](#).

The summary report will be published in due course.

A. CAPISCIOLTO AND K.KENDALL TO LEAD IFASS AFTER CHIARA DEL PRETE

The IFASS Secretariat is pleased to announce that, following a nomination process to determine Chiara's successor, Armand Capisciolto, Chair of Canada's Accounting

Standards Board (AcSB), and Dr. Keith Kendall, Chair of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), will serve as co-chairs of IFASS for a two- to three-year term starting with the preparations for the September 2025 IFASS meeting.

Chiara Del Prete's term as IFASS Chair, which began after the March 2022 IFASS meeting, will end after the March 2025 IFASS meeting that will be held in Naples, Italy. During this period, the IFASS Secretariat function has been provided by EFRAG.

EFRAG JOINT FINANCIAL AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING BOARD (FRB AND SRB)

[Webcast meeting 26 November 2024](#)

The EFRAG FRB and EFRAG SRB held a joint webcast meeting on [26 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topic:

IASB Project Climate-related and Other Uncertainties in the Financial Statements

EFRAG FRB and EFRAG SRB discussed EFRAG's proposed final comment letter ('FCL') on the IASB's Exposure Draft (the 'ED') *Climate-related and Other Uncertainties in the Financial Statements - Proposed illustrative examples*.

EFRAG FRB approved the FCL, subject to incorporating comments that were raised during the meeting.

EFRAG JOINT FINANCIAL REPORTING TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP AND EFRAG SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP (FR TEG AND SR TEG)

[Webcast meeting 22 November 2024](#)

The EFRAG FR TEG and EFRAG SR TEG SRB held a joint webcast meeting on [22 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topic:

IASB Project Climate-related and Other Uncertainties in the Financial Statements

EFRAG FR TEG and EFRAG SR TEG discussed EFRAG's proposed final comment letter ('FCL') on the IASB's Exposure Draft (the 'ED') *Climate-related and Other*

Uncertainties in the Financial Statements - Proposed illustrative examples. Members considered that the final comment letter should make a distinction between encouraging the illustrative examples to be finalised as soon as possible and suggestions for further steps after the completion of the ED's proposed examples.

EFRAG FR TEG recommended the proposed final comment letter to be approved by the EFRAG FRB, subject to incorporating comments that were raised during the meeting.

EFRAG ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

The EFRAG Administrative Board met on 8 and 19 November. In these meetings the EFRAG Administrative Board received an update on the pilot project grant application and discussed the related financials. The agenda of the meeting of 19 November included in addition a discussion on contributions of CSOs in the EFRAG CSO Chapter for recommendation to the EFRAG General Assembly of 9 December, the review of applications for Friends of EFRAG for recommendation to the EFRAG General Assembly, an update on the activities of the Nominating Committee related to the 2025 EFRAG FR TEG rotation, the 2025 EFRAG SRB rotation and the 2025 EFRAG SR TEG rotation, and the process for the 2025 budget.

The next meeting of the EFRAG Administrative Board takes place on 4 December.

EFRAG'S FINANCIAL REPORTING ACTIVITIES

OPEN CONSULTATIONS

Title and description	Closing date
Call for Candidates EFRAG Academic Panel	16 December 2024
EFRAG's Exposure Draft <i>Due Process Procedures for Financial Reporting</i>	31 December 2024
EFRAG's Draft Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft <i>Equity Method of Accounting, IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (revised 202x)</i>	6 January 2025
Call for Candidates EFRAG Rate-Regulated Activities Working Group	20 January 2025
EFRAG's online survey to seek preparers' (subsidiaries and parent entities) views on the voluntary application of <i>IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures</i>	28 February 2025
EFRAG's online survey to seek users' views on the voluntary application of IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures	28 February 2025
EFRAG's Draft Endorsement Advice on <i>IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements</i>	26 March 2025
EFRAG's Discussion Paper on <i>The Statement of Cash Flows</i>	15 May 2025

For more information, please see [EFRAG's consultations page](#).

CALL FOR CANDIDATES

New deadline: Join the EFRAG Rate-regulated Activities Working Group by 20 January 2025

EFRAG is renewing its Rate-regulated Activities Working Group to support the endorsement process for a new IFRS Accounting Standard on regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities, expected in late 2025. The group seeks additional members,

particularly from preparers and users, with expertise in rate-regulated environments and financial reporting. The size of the group is limited to around 20.

Applications, in the form of a CV and a cover letter, should be sent to EFRAG at nominations@efrag.org no later than **20 January 2025**.

The Terms of Reference can be downloaded [here](#).

OTHER NEWS

EFRAG launches surveys for preparers and users on reduced disclosures for subsidiaries reporting under IFRS 19

EFRAG is launching two online surveys to seek preparers' (subsidiaries and parent entities) and users' views on the voluntary application of IFRS 19 *Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures* which allows eligible subsidiaries to prepare reduced disclosures under IFRS.

The objective of the two surveys is to support EFRAG in performing a cost-benefit assessment of the application of IFRS 19 and whether the new Standard is 'conducive to the European public good' which form part of the EU endorsement process.

Feedback from European constituents is essential for the EFRAG endorsement advice and to ensure that the reduced disclosures under IFRS 19 are suitable and effective for use in the European context.

You may complete the survey and submit your answers by using the links to the surveys before 28 February 2025:

- [Survey addressed to Preparers](#)
- [Survey addressed to Users](#)

For questions, please contact EFRAG Financial Reporting Project Director [Kathrin Schöne](#) or EFRAG Financial Reporting Advanced Technical Manager [Galina Borisova](#).

For more details, please see the [EFRAG website](#).

Joint EFRAG-IASB Educational Session on IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures

On 2 December 2024, EFRAG and the IASB held a joint educational event on the newly issued reduced disclosure standard IFRS 19 *Subsidiaries Without Public Accountability: Disclosures*. The event introduced IFRS 19, the reasons why the IASB has issued the standard and illustrated its application. This event not only introduced

key aspects of IFRS 19 but also offered input for the upcoming EU endorsement process. It included panel discussions about the practical impact and about the considerations whether to apply with a panel of preparers with different backgrounds. The audience was able to contribute to the discussion through Q&A sessions and was asked to provide input on IFRS 19 application through surveys after the event.

For more details, please see the [EFRAG website](#).

PUBLICATIONS

Final Comment Letters

[Final Comment Letter on the IASB ED Climate-related and Other Uncertainties in the Financial Statements - Proposed illustrative examples](#)

On 28 November 2024, EFRAG published its **Final Comment Letter** on the IASB's Exposure Draft IASB/ED/2024/6 [Climate-related and Other Uncertainties in the Financial Statements - Proposed illustrative examples](#) (the 'ED').

In its Final Comment Letter, EFRAG considers the ED's proposed examples will complement existing IASB educational material in helping to improve current reporting and the ED is a pragmatic initial step towards addressing stakeholder expectations. EFRAG suggests the IASB finalise and issue the ED's examples as soon as possible taking into account the suggested targeted improvements, and to thereafter after issuing the ED examples take further steps including standard setting activity and development of other examples. EFRAG also suggests other steps the IASB and ISSB could take to enhance connectivity and clarify the boundaries of information within and outside the financial statements to help reduce the expectation gap.

[Final Comment Letter on the IASB ED Amendments to IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures](#)

On 28 November 2024, EFRAG published its **Final Comment Letter** ('FCL') on the IASB's Exposure Draft IASB/ED/2024/5 [Amendments to IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures](#) (the 'ED'). The changes addressed in the ED relate to the aspects of: IFRS 18 - Presentation and disclosure in financial statements, Supplier finance arrangements, International tax reform - Pillar Two model rules, Lack of exchangeability, Financial instruments classification and measurement, and potential reduction of disclosures for the prospective Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities standard.

EFRAG supports the IASB's approach to updating IFRS 19 *Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures*, including the decisions taken on whether and how to reduce the new and amended disclosures proposed in the IFRS Accounting Standards issued between February 2021 and May 2024. At the same time, EFRAG suggests the IASB clarify the application of the principles for reducing disclosures.

EFRAG recommends the IASB to establish a dedicated consultative group which will include users of the financial statements of subsidiaries without public accountability. EFRAG also considers that it could be helpful to establish a review process for recent IFRS 19 amendments, in cases where the IASB issues a new IFRS Accounting Standard and the complete set of the disclosure requirements of that Standard would apply to subsidiaries without public accountability.

In addition, EFRAG notes that the timing for the finalisation of the amendments to IFRS 19 is important. EFRAG suggests that the publication of the amendments would be most helpful if completed before the implementation process of IFRS 19 starts, so that preparers wishing to apply IFRS 19 would welcome the opportunity to implement updated IFRS 19 disclosure requirements without having to make further changes to their reporting processes and systems. EFRAG also observes that the ED does not include an effective date and transition requirements for the proposed amendments to IFRS 19 requirements.

[Final Comment Letter on the IASB ED Translation to a Hyperinflationary Presentation Currency - Proposed amendments to IAS 21](#)

On 20 November 2024, EFRAG published its **Final Comment Letter** (FCL) on the IASB's Exposure Draft IASB/ED/2024/4 [Translation to a Hyperinflationary Presentation Currency - Proposed amendments to IAS 21](#) (the 'ED').

EFRAG supports the proposed amendments to IAS 21 to address the translation to a hyperinflationary presentation currency and provides a few recommendations that could enhance the clarity of the proposals. EFRAG also supports the proposed disclosure requirements, corresponding disclosure requirements for subsidiaries without public accountability and proposed transition requirements.

Discussion Paper

[EFRAG Discussion Paper on the Statement of Cash Flows](#)

On 25 November 2024, EFRAG published its **Discussion Paper on the Statement of Cash Flows**. Comments are requested by **15 May 2025**.

Objective of the Discussion Paper

The objective of the [Discussion Paper](#) (the 'DP') is to list the perceived issues with the statement of cash flows as prepared in accordance with IAS 7 *Statement of Cash*

Flows. As encountered issue with the statement of cash flows depends on how the statement is being used/the objectives of the statement, the DP first lists possible objectives of the statement of cash flows and input collected on how the statement is being used by the primary users of financial statements. The DP considers which of the objectives of the statement of cash flows could be affected by each of the listed issues and which objectives might be affected by a solutions addressing each of the issues. The DP also presents some alternatives/supplements to the current statement of cash flows, that have been brought to EFRAG's attention. The DP questions the relevance of the statement of cash flows for financial institutions and provides a list of alternatives that have been brought to the attention of EFRAG that could be considered for these entities.

Finally, the DP discusses whether the issues identified would be best addressed through targeted improvements or a comprehensive review of IAS 7.

EFRAG welcomes any comments on the DP. Comments should be submitted by **15 May 2025** using this [form](#).

EFRAG FINANCIAL REPORTING BOARD (EFRAG FRB)

Webcast Meeting on 7 November 2024

The EFRAG FRB held a webcast meeting on [7 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topic:

IASB Project Equity Method

EFRAG FRB discussed and approved the EFRAG Draft Comment Letter ('DCL') on the IASB's Exposure Draft ('ED') ED/2024/7 *Equity Method of Accounting, IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (revised 202x)*. EFRAG FRB also approved the consultation period until 6 January 2025.

Webcast Meeting on 12 November 2024

The EFRAG FRB held a webcast meeting on [12 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topics:

IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

EFRAG FRB discussed and approved EFRAG's Draft Endorsement Advice on IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements*. EFRAG FRB also approved the consultation period until 26 March 2025.

Update of work plan and any other matters

EFRAG FRB approved the work plan and agreed to follow written procedure for the approval process of EFRAG's Final Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft *Updating Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures*.

EFRAG FRB November 2024 written procedures

EFRAG FRB approved the following document using written procedure in November 2024.

- EFRAG's Final Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft *Translation to a Hyperinflationary Presentation Currency* - Proposed amendments to IAS 21.
- EFRAG's Final Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft *Updating Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures*.

EFRAG FRB expected December 2024 written procedures

EFRAG FRB is not expected to approve any documents using written procedures in December 2024.

EFRAG FINANCIAL REPORTING TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP (EFRAG FR TEG)

Webcast Meeting on 4 November 2024

EFRAG FR TEG held a webcast meeting on [4 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topics:

IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

EFRAG FR TEG discussed EFRAG's [Draft Endorsement Advice](#) on IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements* (DEA) and provided their comments and considerations.

EFRAG FR TEG recommended the DEA for approval to EFRAG FRB, subject to the provided editorial suggestions.

IASB Project Equity Method

EFRAG FR TEG discussed EFRAG's Draft Comment Letter (DCL) on the IASB's Exposure Draft ('ED') ED/2024/7 *Equity Method of Accounting, IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (revised 202x)*.

EFRAG FR TEG recommended the DCL for approval to EFRAG FRB, subject to the provided comments and suggestions for clarifications and refinements.

Webcast Meeting on 5 November 2024

EFRAG FR TEG held a webcast meeting on [5 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topics:

IASB Project *Use of a Hyperinflationary Presentation Currency by a Non-hyperinflationary Entity (IAS 21)*

EFRAG FR TEG discussed and agreed to recommend for approval to the EFRAG FRB EFRAG's Final Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft *Translation to a Hyperinflationary Presentation Currency* - Proposed amendments to IAS 21, following a few editorial suggestions.

IASB Project *Power Purchase Agreements*

EFRAG FR TEG discussed the status of the project and the IASB's tentative decisions with regard to hedge accounting requirements, disclosure requirements, transition requirements and effective date.

No decisions were taken at the meeting.

IFRS 19 *Subsidiaries without public accountability: Disclosures*

EFRAG FR TEG discussed and provided their suggestions for the draft surveys to be addressed to preparers and users, which would support EFRAG's cost-benefit assessment in the endorsement advice.

No decisions were taken at the meeting.

Webcast Meeting on 22 November 2024

EFRAG FR TEG held a webcast meeting on [22 November 2024](#) and discussed the following topic:

IASB Project *Updating the Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures*

EFRAG FR TEG members discussed EFRAG's Final Comment Letter ('FCL') on the IASB's Exposure Draft ('ED') *Updating Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures* and provided comments mainly related to toning down the criticism on the IASB's approach for reducing disclosures and to the IASB's approach to not reduce disclosures for the prospective *Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities* Standard.

Given the lack of quorum, the EFRAG FR TEG to agree to recommend the letter to the EFRAG FRB through written procedure, following editorial amendments by the EFRAG Secretariat based on the discussion.

EFRAG FR TEG November 2024 written procedures

EFRAG FR TEG agreed to recommend the following document to the EFRAG FRB using written procedure in November 2024:

- EFRAG's Final Comment Letter on the IASB's Exposure Draft *Updating Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures*.

Next meeting

EFRAG FR TEG will hold a next meeting on [2 December 2024](#).

EFRAG'S SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING ACTIVITIES

EFRAG ESRS Q&A PLATFORM: 64 NEW EXPLANATIONS AVAILABLE UPDATING THE COMPILATION OF EXPLANATIONS TO A TOTAL OF 157

On 6 December 2024, EFRAG announced the release of 64 new Explanations added to its Compilation of Technical Explanations. Included in the Compilation is the mapping of sustainability matters in paragraph AR 16 of ESRS 1 with the Disclosure Requirements in topical standards. The total of explanations available is 157 and Appendix III to the Compilation also identifies 133 questions already answered through Implementation Guidance and published explanations. Please see the [Compilation of Explanations](#).

In addition, the Explanation ID 177 included in the Compilation presents the mapping of sustainability matters in AR 16 of ESRS 1 with the Disclosure Requirements in topical standards.

Please see [Explanation ID 177](#).

For more information, please see the [EFRAG website](#).

CDP AND EFRAG ANNOUNCE EXTENSIVE INTEROPERABILITY BETWEEN CDP QUESTIONNAIRE AND EU SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING STANDARDS

At COP29, EFRAG and CDP announced further extensive commonality and interoperability between CDP ESRS. This marks a significant step towards both organizations' shared goals of creating efficiency in the environmental data ecosystem. The announcement comes as a result of ongoing collaboration. Joint mapping efforts have revealed a substantial commonality between CDP's questionnaire and the ESRS climate standard (ESRS E1), with provisional mapping by the organisations revealing that such a high level of commonality benefits companies both ways: ESRS E1 reporters will find it easier to complete CDP

disclosures, while CDP disclosing companies will be well prepared for ESRS E1 reporting requirements. This will be detailed in a comprehensive mapping to be published early next year, ahead of the 2025 CDP disclosure cycle.

WEBINARS ON ESRS FOR NON-EU GROUPS GATHERED STRONG ENGAGEMENT

According to Article 40a of the CSRD, non-EU companies that generate over EUR 150 million per year in the EU and that have in the EU either a branch with a turnover exceeding EUR 40 million or a subsidiary that is a large company or a listed SME will have to publish a sustainability report at the group level from financial year 2028. The CSRD foresees the adoption of separate standards for this purpose, generally referred to as ESRS for Non-EU Groups or NESRS in short.

EFRAG held three webinars on this project for interested stakeholders on 19 and 20 November 2024 at 3 different times to accommodate different time zones so to allow the highest number of stakeholders to participate. The 3 webinars shared the same agenda, content and presenters.

In each webinar, a representative from the European Commission has presented the legal context for the NESRS focusing on Article 40a to d of the CSRD. Following this, EFRAG shared the progress on the project including the standard-setting approach. Both sections were followed by a highly participated Q&A session, with approximately 300 listeners for each event. Get access to:

- The [presentation slides](#)
- The [recording of the webinar](#)

For questions concerning Article 40 of the Accounting Directive and the sustainability statement, please refer to the European Commission's FAQ on the topic.

EFRAG SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING BOARD (SRB)

Meeting date	Topics covered
13 November 2024	VSME (public) LSME (public) Q&A (public)
27 November 2024	LSME (public) Q&A (public) ISSB Update (closed)

The next EFRAG SRB meeting will be held on [12 December 2024](#).

VSME

On 13 November 2024, the EFRAG SRB convened to approve the VSME standard for issuance. Before voting, the EFRAG SRB made several editorial changes to the draft standard. The VSME standard was approved by 21 EFRAG SRB members (few of them expressed reservations) and one member abstained due to uncertainties around feasibility. The EFRAG SRB members were asked to provide written explanations of abstention or reservations, which will be incorporated in the basis for conclusions. The EFRAG Secretariat will implement the changes agreed in this meeting and share the Basis for Conclusions for comments of EFRAG SR TEG and EFRAG SRB. The EFRAG Secretariat will then submit and publish the VSME by the end of December 2024.

LSME

On 13 November 2024, the approval for the LSME standard was initiated, based on the version approved by the EFRAG SR TEG. The EFRAG SRB discussed the Value Chain cap, which raised some debate concerning costs of collecting value chain information, proxies and estimations, and transitional periods. Then, the EFRAG SRB discussed SFDR datapoints in terms of meaningfulness and relevance for investors. The EFRAG Secretariat will update the wording of the draft standard. The EFRAG SRB members confirmed that there is no need for a re-exposure of the proposals.

On 27 November 2024, the EFRAG SRB noted the present political circumstances. Waiting for indications from the new European Commission on the foreseen EFRAG advice on LSME which is planned for the end of December, the EFRAG SRB could not vote on the approval of the standard in this meeting. The EFRAG SRB received an update on the status of the current version. The EFRAG SRB Chair, to conclude the technical activities, asked members to express their views and potential red flags assuming that LSME had to be delivered as initially planned. A majority of the

members did not express red flags. A formal vote on the issuance of the standard will be considered at a later stage.

Q&A

On 13 November 2024, the EFRAG SRB approved the following Explanations: IDs 1013, 1047, 1056, 1090, 815 and 573. It rejected IDs 855, 870, 526, 1021, 1210, 455 and 1026. The EFRAG SRB made some editorial changes where necessary: IDs 803, 804, 815, 166 and 1058 and tentatively approved the following: IDs 685/686, 713/928, 776, 1025, 1115, 1116, 1172 and 389. The EFRAG SRB was asked to send comments on ID 177.

The Q&A was also discussed on 27 November 2024. The EFRAG SRB approved Papers 05-02 and 05-03; IDs 882, 445 and 1026 were approved subject to editorial changes. The editorial changes to ID 882 are linked to biogenic emissions; those concerning ID 1026 are on the definitions of consumers and end-users, and how to avoid double reporting and those on ID 445 relate to data aggregation. Other IDs discussed are 177, 526 and 1021. The EFRAG SRB then approved ID 882, as mentioned above, and ID 526. It also approved IDs 1026, 455, 177, 1021 and 1048 subject to editorial changes.

EFRAG SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP (SR TEG)

Meeting date	Topics covered
4 November 2024	TP IG (public) GRI Labour Standards (closed)
7 November 2024	ESRS for Non-EU Groups (public) LSME (public) Q&A (public)
18 November 2024	ESRS for Non-EU Groups (public) Q&A (public)
21 November 2024	ESRS for Non-EU Groups (public)

The next EFRAG SR TEG meeting will be held on [5 December 2024](#).

Transition Plan Implementation Guidance (TPIG)

On 4 November 2024, the EFRAG Secretariat presented the Climate Change Transition Plan Implementation Guidance (TPIG), the workbook and the Transition Plan Reference Practice document. There was a discussion on how and to what

extent the TPIG should relate to other sustainability matters outside of climate, especially concerning social aspects. There were differing views amongst the EFRAG SR TEG members with some arguing that the guidance is too comprehensive. The EFRAG Secretariat will respond to the feedback where possible and EFRAG SR TEG members were asked to provide further feedback in writing.

ESRS for Non-EU Groups (NERS)

On 7 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG discussed the cover note, the cross-cutting papers NESRS 1 and 2, and the issue papers. The discussions concerned competition between EU and non-EU groups, connectivity, transitional provisions and incorporation by reference. The EFRAG SR TEG agreed on several changes and revisions, which the EFRAG Secretariat implemented in a revised version for the EFRAG SR TEG meeting the 18 November.

On 18 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG continued discussing the NESRS, with the objective of preparing for the vote. The EFRAG SR TEG discussed the option to exclude information related to operations outside the European Union, unless it pertains to NESRS E1 - Climate Change. The discussions included information about what aspects would be covered in the consultation.

On 21 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG continued the discussions of the NERS, with the objective of recommending to the EFRAG SRB to approve the ED. The EFRAG Secretariat presented the changes and revisions implemented in the NESRS documents, and the discussion on the competitiveness of EU companies continued. EFRAG SR TEG members expressed concerns about technical feasibility and relevance of the reported information deriving from the possible option (paragraph 18 B) to limit topical information beyond climate to impacts connected with EU sales (instead of reporting them at global level). EFRAG SR TEG supported (with one abstention) to recommend to the EFRAG SRB the NESRS EDs as presented in this meeting, amended with the agreed editorial changes, and without the option in NESRS 1 paragraph 18 B, i.e. with a global only scope.

LSME

On 7 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG approved the ESRS for LSMEs. The EFRAG SR TEG discussed section by section and agreed on several editorial changes. The draft ESRS LSME was approved with 23 positive votes and one abstention. EFRAG SR TEG recommended to the EFRAG SRB to include in the cover letter to the EC that, (i) should LSME be considered in the future for application to a broader set of entities compared to the scope in the CSRD, an appropriate technical evaluation of its suitability to such a broader scope should be performed and (ii) should SFDR PAI be revised in the future this also should trigger a revision of LSME.

Q&A

On 7 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG discussed and approved several categorisations and explanations to the Q&As. The topics discussed concerned phase-in of targets and undertakings, impacts, governance, air emissions, water metrics, heating values, and more.

On 18 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG continued discussing the Q&As, in particular Q&As related to social topics. The EFRAG Secretariat took note of the feedback.

On 21 November 2024, the EFRAG SR TEG continued discussing Q&As in the social domain. The SR TEG discussed questions relating to the Scope of ESRS S4 Consumers and end users, pensions under S1, and gender pay gap. The EFRAG Secretariat took note of the feedback.

OTHER INVOLVEMENT IN SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

Platform on Sustainable Finance (PSF)

EFRAG is an official observer in the second mandate of the Platform on Sustainable Finance and is represented by Kerstin Lopatta, EFRAG SRB Vice-Chair. EFRAG participates in *Usability and Data* (SG1) and in the *Technical Working Group advising on the technical screening criteria* (SG2).

The 19th plenary meeting of the Platform took place on 26 November 2024 with as agenda points the preliminary adoption of the SME report; and the preliminary adoption of the transition plan report. In addition there were updates of the subgroups and Technical Working Group on their ongoing work including presentations of the Transitions Plans.

The 20th plenary meeting of the Platform will take place on 3 and 4 December 2024 with as agenda points the draft recommendations of the Technical Working Group; update of the work on Subgroup 1 on "Simplifying the EU Taxonomy to Foster Sustainable Finance and preliminary adoption of the report; Preliminary adoption of the SME report; and an update of Subgroup 3 on its work on monitoring capital flows.

On 29 November 2024 the EU Taxonomy Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document was adopted in principle and has been published under the following link: [https://finance.ec.europa.eu/publications/frequently-asked-questions-eu-](https://finance.ec.europa.eu/publications/frequently-asked-questions-eu)

[taxonomy_en](#). The FAQs will be translated in all EU official languages and published in the Official Journal. The final product includes a total of 155 questions on:

- general rules of the EU Taxonomy,
- the criteria of activities included in the Taxonomy Climate or Environmental Delegated Act
- the generic 'do no significant harm' ('DSNH') criteria to climate change adaptation, pollution prevention and control, and to the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems, and the disclosure obligations related to activities covered

VACANCIES

CORPORATE – BOTH PILLARS

Internship - Digital Reporting (XBRL Taxonomy)

Support the EFRAG sustainability reporting activities in developing draft European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) in the area of [digital corporate sustainability reporting in XBRL](#).

The digital sustainability XBRL taxonomies developed by EFRAG will be used by thousands of companies to make their human-readable sustainability statements machine-readable.

The internship role entails giving support to the work conducted by EFRAG's technical staff in the drafting of technical documents, regular engagement with EFRAG's governance bodies (EFRAG Reporting Technical Expert Groups and Reporting Boards), international XBRL experts, working groups and the outreach to a broad range of external stakeholders including preparers, users, national standard setters, auditors and regulators.

What We Offer

Through the internship you will gain:

- unique professional experience in corporate reporting standard-setting activities in a dynamic and multi-cultural environment as well as direct interaction with a rich network of corporate reporting stakeholders;
- the opportunity to work closely with experienced professionals and executives;
- exposure to the European and global corporate reporting sectors;
- practical knowledge in your area of study; and
- hands-on work experience, with the possibility of receiving an offer for a temporal or permanent contract.

The selected candidate would start as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions, please contact Richard Boessen (EFRAG Senior Digital Reporting Technical Manager) at richard.boessen@efrag.org and Saskia Slomp (EFRAG CEO) at saskia.slomp@efrag.org.

For more details, including on how to apply, please visit [EFRAG's website](#).

FINANCIAL REPORTING

Join EFRAG as a Financial Reporting (Senior) Technical Manager - Financial Institutions Specialist

EFRAG is looking for a Financial Reporting (Senior) Technical Manager - Financial Institutions Specialist for a secondment or permanent employment contract based in Brussels. For full details, please see the [job description](#).

Applications (CV plus motivation letter - with the applicant's name and last name as the document's title) should be sent to rh@efrag.org, mentioning 'EFRAG FR Team - Technical Manager' (or 'Senior Technical Manager') in the email subject.

For more details, please visit [EFRAG's website](#).

Join EFRAG as a (Senior) Technical Manager - Expand your IFRS expertise

EFRAG is looking for a (Senior) Technical Manager for its financial reporting pillar. The role is based in EFRAG's offices in Brussels.

EFRAG welcomes applications for either full-time employment contracts or two-year secondments (different tenure periods can be discussed).

For more information, please contact EFRAG CEO Saskia Slomp at saskia.slomp@efrag.org.

For more details, including on how to apply, please visit [EFRAG's website](#).

EFRAG Financial Reporting Internship Opportunities

EFRAG is offering internships in its financial reporting activities. As an intern, you will be expected to support the EFRAG financial reporting work in influencing the development of IFRS Accounting Standards (including projects on the IASB workplan and EFRAG's proactive research projects) and providing endorsement advice on IFRS Accounting Standards.

There is also an opportunity to work on EFRAG's research project on the connectivity between financial and sustainability reporting.

The internship role entails giving support to the work conducted by the EFRAG technical staff in the drafting of technical documents, regular engagement with EFRAG's governance bodies (EFRAG Reporting Technical Expert Groups and Reporting Board), working groups and outreach to a broad range of external stakeholders including preparers, users, national standard setters, auditors and regulators.

Through the internship you will gain unique professional experience in corporate reporting standard-setting activities in a dynamic and multicultural environment and have access to and direct interaction with a rich network of corporate reporting stakeholders.

EFRAG is recruiting interns on a continual basis for a 6-month term (renewal is possible for one term of 6 months). Please note that the places for March 2025 are now filled and new opportunities will be available **for September 2025**.

For more information, please contact EFRAG CEO Saskia Slomp at saskia.slomp@efrag.org.

For more information, including on how to apply, please visit [EFRAG's website](#).

SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

EFRAG seeks senior contributions in kind to support sustainability reporting surveys and research activities

EFRAG is looking for senior contributions in kind to support its work on surveys and research activities on sustainability reporting. Application deadline: **15 December 2024**.

EFRAG is very grateful for the wide range of organisations that have provided so far secondments in kind for the technical work on the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS). EFRAG seeks further contributions in the form of secondments in kind from a wide range of stakeholders. The secondment of a small team of experts can also be considered. Practical expertise and real business experience are expected.

In particular, EFRAG is looking for senior secondments in kind to support its work on surveys and studies on implementation of the first set of ESRS.

Ideally, secondees are expected to contribute on a full-time basis, but they can be considered on part-time basis (minimum 50%). The minimum period of secondment is six months in principle. As part of the selection process, an interview with the candidates may be conducted to determine the type of work that the secondments entail.

Applications consisting of a letter of motivation, detailed CV(s) a support letter from the organisation, if applicable, should be sent to Saskia Slomp, EFRAG's CEO, at Nominations@efrag.org by **15 December 2024**. In case of team contributions in kind a short description of the potential activities or projects that could be undertaken is welcome.

Open positions - Join EFRAG's Sustainability Reporting team to shape the future of sustainability reporting

EFRAG has vacancies in its sustainability reporting team:

- [Social and Human Rights reporting specialists](#) (employment and labour rights due diligence)
- [ESRS Sector programme experts](#) (with different levels of seniority)
- [Environmental reporting specialist](#)
- [Business Conduct and related reporting specialist](#)

All positions are permanent, based in Brussels, and require EEA nationality. Short term contracts are also possible.

Applications, including a letter of motivation and a detailed CV, should be sent to Saskia Slomp, EFRAG CEO, at Rh@efrag.org

Apply now and join us in shaping the future of sustainability reporting at EFRAG!

Permanent and Seconded Sustainability Reporting Professionals

In its broadened role as the technical advisor to the European Commission in the development of draft European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS), EFRAG seeks both permanent and seconded (paid or in-kind) sustainability reporting professionals that can join it on either a full-time or, in limited cases, part-time basis. This is an exciting opportunity to join a multicultural, fast-evolving and collegial environment and be part of the EFRAG Sustainability Reporting pillar technical staff. Applications are welcome from both junior and experienced professionals who are EEA nationals and are willing to relocate and work in EFRAG's offices in Brussels in case of paid positions. Competitive salary packages are offered depending on successful applicants' qualifications and experience.

Who Are We Looking For?

EFRAG seeks individuals with a passion for corporate reporting and standard-setting developments, who can contribute their talents and energy to the development of draft ESRS. We are looking for candidates who are keen to participate in the ongoing sustainability standard-setting activities, who have experience and are willing to invest time in developing expertise in sustainability topics and corporate reporting, and who can adapt to the fast-evolving sustainability reporting landscape. We seek candidates with different levels of experience and seniority, from junior to senior level.

What Does EFRAG Offer?

The development of sustainability reporting standards is a revolutionary step in the corporate reporting world. Building on its well-established financial reporting activities, EFRAG has a unique role to play in its broadened role as the technical advisor to European Commission developing draft ESRS.

EFRAG offers its staff challenging work and competitive salaries and presents opportunities for professional growth and the development of corporate reporting expertise while engaging extensively with a broad range of stakeholders. We are looking for both permanent staff and secondments (in-kind or paid). Secondments in kind should be at least on a 50% basis.

EFRAG staff is expected to relocate and work from EFRAG's offices in Brussels (with a number of days of teleworking allowed under EFRAG's teleworking policy). Secondments in kind can be held at the venue of their seconding organisation.

How Can One Apply?

Applications, consisting of a letter of motivation and a detailed CV, should be sent via the form below (continuous recruitment). In applying for this job, you agree that EFRAG can process the data you have provided in your CV, cover letter and any other document. EFRAG will store your CV, cover letter and any other document in its database for one year.

For more information, including on how to apply, please visit [EFRAG's website](#).