# IFRS 17 Implementation Working Group

## Update on IFRS 17 May 2019

**CFO Meeting** Toronto ON May 15 2019



Status Update for CFOs May 2019 Agenda

- Collaboration mandate
- Major activities and deliverables
- Concluded or continuing deliberations
  - Substantive issues for future deliberations
  - Implementation priorities and concerns
- Wrap up



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## Working Group Mandate

- Working principles
  - Structure and composition of Working Group
  - Key success factors
- Objectives
  - Knowledge exchange
  - Deep understanding of IFRS 17 requirements
  - Broad consensus on core requirements
  - Minimize application differences
- Outcomes
  - Agreement on generic implementation approaches
  - Broadly standardized financial statement presentation
  - Broadly standardized disclosure framework and content
  - IFRS 17 messaging to stakeholders





### **Major Activities and Deliverables**

- Each jurisdiction independently concludes on its positions and implementation approach
- Group discussion of jurisdictional fact patterns, positions, risks, and concerns
- Updates on emerging issues affecting IFRS 17
- Ongoing deliverable(s)
  - Status updates to the CFO group
  - Regular updates to Summary of Jurisdictional Positions
- Final deliverable(s)
  - Approved Summary of Jurisdictional Positions to be shared with other Boards
  - Broadly standardized financial statement and notes formats



### **Concluded or Continuing Deliberations**

- Nature of an insurance contract in WCB context
- Level of aggregation onerous contracts implications
- Self-insured accounts in or out of IFRS 17 scope
- General measurement model:
  - Cash flows current best estimate approach – contract boundary
  - Risk adjustment meaning of compensation for risk
  - Discount rate top-down vs bottom-up approach
- Implications of long contract boundary

Red text indicates continuing or reopened deliberations





#### **Substantive Issues for Future Deliberations**

- Discount rate development
- Different discount rates(s) for liability valuation and rate-setting
- Validate current best estimate approach
- Recognition of discount rate changes through income or OCI
- Disaggregation and reclassification of premium components
- Classification of funding transactions
- □ Financial statement presentation and disclosure in WCB context
- Method of transition





#### **Implementation Priorities and Concerns**

- Focus on <u>practical</u> interpretation and application of IFRS 17
- Resolution of contract boundary position
- Disaggregation of premium components
- Ensure financial statement presentation and disclosure are relevant to WCBs
- Accommodate both funding and financial statement objectives within the IFRS 17 framework
- Develop useful IFRS 17 reporting and other communications for stakeholders



# Wrap up

QuestionsPriorities and concernsNext steps

