

September 2010

Summary of the EFRAG Supervisory Board meeting

held on 14 September 2010

The Supervisory Board met on 14 September under the chairmanship of Pedro Solbes in a meeting open to the public.

The Supervisory Board received reports from the Chairman of EFRAG, Françoise Flores, on EFRAG work and liaison activities, and a report on EFRAG PRC progress, the latter on behalf of Peter Sampers. Alain Deckers (European Commission) informed the Board on recent developments including the revision of the Accounting Directives; and reflections on the IASB governance, notably the governance review of the IASB carried out by the Monitoring Board. Roxanna Damianov (CESR) informed the Board about the political decision on the establishment of ESMA and its supervisory and regulatory powers. Carlos Tavares has been appointed as CESR Chairman and Jean Guill as Vice Chairman. She also reported on the recent developments in relation to enforcement, update of the CESR report on disclosures under IFRS 7, and the cost-benefit analysis CESR is undertaking on the implementation of XBRL.

The Supervisory Board received a report from the Chairman Françoise Flores on financial matters including the funding and staff situation and the interim report on the situation as per 31 July as submitted to the EC under the EC grant agreement. The budgetary process and methodology for 2011 have been agreed.

The Nominating Committee reported on the launch of the call for TEG candidates early August (details can be found on the EFRAG website) with as aim to (re) appoint the TEG members in the beginning of 2011, for a new term starting on 1 April 2011. Terms of reference of the Nominating Committee were discussed.

The Board discussed a draft of the draft comment letter on the IFRS Foundation Consultation Document on the Annual Improvements Process: Proposals to amend the Due Process Hand book for the IASB. EFRAG wishes to address also some further concerns it has about how other amendments to standards are decided and processed. EFRAG aims to publish the draft comment letter for public consultation before the end of September with a deadline of 15 November.

The Funding Task Force presented the current funding situation and underlined the urgent need to broaden the basis of the National Funding Mechanisms to obtain a better coverage in Europe and to consolidate the contributions of EFRAG's Member Organisations.

Members of EFRAG Supervisory Board were informed that a successful meeting with EFRAG's Member Organisations took place on 6 July. The first meeting with National Funding Mechanisms is scheduled on 11 October.

The Supervisory Board welcomed Tommaso Padoa Schioppa, the new Chairman of the IFRS Foundation, on his first visit to EFRAG. The discussion focused on the relationship with Europe and the European organisations, as well as the relation with other major players. It was agreed that the Chairman of the IFRS Foundation would visit the EFRAG Supervisory Board once a year to exchange views and to discuss topical issues and issues of concern to Europe.

Future meeting

The next meeting of EFRAG Supervisory Board will take place on Friday 3 December 2010.