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European Financial Reporting Advisory Group

EFRAG's position on the IASB Exposure Draft Mandatory Effective Date of IFRS 9 Final comment letter 28 October 2011

Question 1 – Deferral of effective date to 1/1/2015

EFRAG position

The IASB should allow entities at least three years to implement IFRS 9

- EFRAG welcomes the Board's decision to postpone the effective date of IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*. However, the revised effective date of 1 January 2015 provides insufficient relief because significant parts of IFRS 9 and the new standard on insurance contracts remain to be completed.
 - EFRAG believes that rather than setting a fixed effective date, it would be more appropriate to allow entities at least three years to implement IFRS 9 from the publication date of either the last phase of IFRS 9 or of the standard on insurance contracts, whichever is the latest.



Question 2 – Restatement of comparative information

EFRAG position

Importance of comparative information

- EFRAG agrees, in principle, that entities adopting IFRS 9 on or after 1 January 2012 should be required to restate comparative information.
- The IASB should reconsider the transitional requirements of IFRS 9 to ensure that the restated comparative information is meaningful. If the IASB were to conclude that it is *not* possible to revise the transitional requirements such that the comparative information is meaningful, we would recommend that relief from restating comparative information be granted.

