

## **EFRAG User Panel**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

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#### ***Objective***

The role of the EFRAG User Panel (the 'Panel') is to promote the cooperation between EFRAG and the user community, to support primarily EFRAG FR TEG and, when relevant, to support EFRAG SR TEG in providing its technical advice to the EFRAG FRB and EFRAG SRB on users views to corporate reporting issues that are relevant to European constituents. The Panel contributes to the debate on current relevant topics by:

- providing users input on concepts discussed and proposals made for EFRAG's projects;
- providing references to practical experiences in analysing financial information and best practices to consider for EFRAG's projects; and
- assisting EFRAG in understanding practical implications of intended proposals made by the IASB or EFRAG.

Where appropriate, the members of the Panel amplify messages or liaise with other users active in the corporate reporting field.

The Panel's output takes the form of input to EFRAG FR TEG and EFRAG SR TEG. The Panel is not an EFRAG decision-making body but advisory in nature. The Panel does not express its views publicly in any way.

#### ***Preferred composition of the Panel***

The Panel should consist of equity or credit analysts, institutional investors, portfolio managers, lenders, rating agency professionals, valuation specialists, or other stakeholders who rely on financial reports to inform economic decisions. Members should have knowledge in corporate reporting requirements - notably in IFRS Accounting Standards and/or sustainability reporting Standards - and should be knowledgeable in European specificities. The Panel should also provide a good mix of country backgrounds.

The indicative size of the Panel is 20 members.

The appointment of the members is proposed by the EFRAG FR TEG Chair in cooperation with the EFRAG SR TEG Chair for approval by EFRAG FR TEG in accordance with EFRAG's procedures for appointments of members to EFRAG Working Groups, as included in Article 28 of EFRAG's Internal Rules. The members are appointed in their personal capacity and may not be represented by alternates.

Generally, at least one EFRAG FR TEG member is appointed as a member of the Panel. Normally this person would chair the Panel. However, in specific cases another person can be appointed in accordance with EFRAG's procedures as laid down in article 28 of EFRAG's

Internal Rules. The task of chairing the Panel can also be divided between the EFRAG FR TEG member appointed as a member of the Panel and another member of the Panel.

Representatives of the European Commission, the IASB, the ISSB and other interested organisations may be invited to attend the meetings of the Panel as observers with speaking rights.

Staff of National Standard Setters (of countries that financially contribute to EFRAG) or of EFRAG Member Organisations can attend the meetings as observers.

The EFRAG FR TEG Chair may decide on revisiting the composition of the Panel at an appropriate time and launching a new call for candidates for membership on the Panel.

### ***Termination for Cause***

Membership of the EFRAG User Panel may be terminated in cases of prolonged absence, a change in status affecting relevant user experience (e.g., ceasing to be a user or retiring), or misconduct.

### ***Meetings***

The Panel is expected to have one physical meeting, one virtual meeting and one joint physical meeting with EFRAG FR TEG per year, with the possibility to have additional virtual meetings. Advice and other input will also sometimes be sought via email, telephone, video conferencing or other electronic means.

The work and meetings of the Panel are conducted in English.

The Panel can, through its Chair, invite guests to its meetings for specific agenda items.

All meetings of the Panel are closed sessions, i.e. not open to public observers.

### ***Relationship with EFRAG FR TEG and EFRAG SR TEG***

The EFRAG FR TEG Chair, the EFRAG SR Chair, the EFRAG management and other EFRAG Secretariat members participate in the discussions as appropriate. EFRAG FR TEG and SR TEG members can and are encouraged to attend the meetings of the Panel to raise questions to improve their understanding of the issues at stake and the recommendations of the Panel.

The EFRAG Secretariat will provide regular updates to EFRAG FR TEG and, when relevant, to EFRAG SR TEG on the outcome of the Panel discussions, including any diverging views between the members or preferred alternatives, with the underlying arguments.

The Panel members are informed about the reports provided to EFRAG FR TEG and EFRAG SR TEG on their discussions.

### ***Methods of working***

The administrative support of the Panel is provided by the EFRAG Secretariat. The topics for the agenda of the meetings are selected in cooperation with the EFRAG Academic Panel, the Chair and Panel members.

The EFRAG Secretariat prepares the papers for the Panel. The EFRAG Secretariat endeavours to make the meeting papers available no less than five working days before the meeting of the Panel.

***Internal rules***

The EFRAG Internal Rules as approved by the EFRAG General Assembly on 28 April 2022, in particular Article 31, apply to all EFRAG Working Groups.