



International Valuation Standards Committee

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Developing global valuation standards

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IVSC publishes two exposure drafts:

Valuation of Public Sector Assets and Valuation of Historic Properties

The IVSC has published for public comment the following two exposure drafts:

- **Proposed International Valuation Application - Valuation of Public Sector Assets for Financial Reporting,**
- **Proposed International Valuation Guidance Note - The Valuation of Historic Property**

Introducing the Exposure Drafts, Joseph Vella, IVSC Chairman, said: "Efforts are underway to improve both the quality and uniformity of financial information reported by public sector entities around the world. The IVSC has recognised the need to develop at an international level requirements and guidance for the measurement of assets held by governments and public sector bodies."

The Exposure Drafts are available on the IVSC web site - www.ivsc.org - and comments are invited before 31 August 2006.

Conferences

World Valuation Congress (WVC), Kuala Lumpur, 9-11 May 2006.

'Expanding the Horizon: Re-engineering the Profession through Innovations'. The WVC is an international forum for the discussion of the valuation of real estate.

www.worldvaluationcongress.org

23rd Pan Pacific Congress of Real Estate Appraisers, Valuers and Counselors.

San Francisco • 16-19 September 2006

'The Valuation Revolution: New Partners, Borderless Markets, Innovative Technology.'

www.appraisalinstitute.org/ppc

IVSC meets with FASB

Joseph Vella, chairman IVSC together with other IVSC members and representatives of The Appraisal Foundation and the Toronto Valuation Accord met with Robert Herz, chairman of the US Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), other Board and staff members in Norwalk, USA on Friday 10 March 2006.

Discussion concentrated on the role of the IVSC and the increased use of fair value measurement in financial reporting worldwide. Both IVSC and FASB agree that as fair value measurement becomes more prevalent in financial statements, valuations that follow generally accepted valuation practices prepared by qualified valuation professionals will be needed. Accounting and valuation are two separate but complementary knowledge sets. Accounting and valuation professionals need a clear understanding of each others roles and responsibilities to foster increased synergy between the two professions.

At the meeting on 10 March, FASB discussed its preliminary plans to formally solicit input from all interested parties on the need for a single set of valuation standards with particular emphasis on who should develop valuation standards and provide related implementation guidance. In the interim, FASB encouraged the IVSC to provide continuing input on ways to adequately address valuation issues in the future, considering the potentially differing national approaches that exist currently.

This brief statement following the IVSC/FASB meeting has been issued with the agreement of FASB.

Those attending the meeting were:

- Joseph Vella, Chairman, International Valuation Standards Committee
- Chris Thorne, Vice Chairman, IVSC Standards Board
- Marianne Tissier, Executive Director, IVSC
- Lee Hackett, Chairman, The Appraisal Foundation
- Alison Gerlach, Toronto Valuation Accord
- Robert H Herz, Chairman, Financial Accounting Standards Board
- Katherine Schipper, Board Member
- Leslie F Siedmann, Board Member
- Linda A MacDonald, Director
- Lawrence Smith, Director
- Suzanne Bielstein, Director
- Marianna Todorova, Industry Fellow
- Paul A Beswick, Practice Fellow
- Wayne Upton, Director of Research, International Accounting Standards Board

Commenting after the meeting Joseph Vella, IVSC chairman, said, "The IVSC recognizes the need to review its structure to ensure that the most appropriate mechanisms for delivering global valuation standards is in place. In the meantime the IVSC is to launch a project to develop the current international valuation standards to more adequately cover the valuation of intangible assets for financial reporting purposes."