

International Financial Reporting Standards

On January 1, 2011, all Canadian publicly accountable enterprises will be converting to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). Companies are advised to make the necessary preparations well in advance of this date. The following is a list of resources that are available to help companies convert to the new standards. The list will be updated as and when necessary.

Text in red identifies upcoming events.

Courses and training

IFRS transition seminar

This practical workshop on converting financial statements to IFRS will be held in **Toronto on Tuesday, January 26, 2010, from 8 to 11.15 a.m. at 1 King Street West**. Presenters will use the entries of an actual TSX-listed resource company to demonstrate the conversion process. Attendance is complimentary but registration is required.

<http://www.pdac.ca/pdac/misc/pdf/091215-pdac-ifs-details.pdf>

IFRS for exploration companies in the mining industry

This two-day interactive workshop, offered by PricewaterhouseCoopers, was held in Vancouver on November 24 and 25 and in Toronto on December 3-4. The workshop covered the key differences between Canadian GAAP and IFRS.

<http://www.pwc.com/ca/ifrsbootcampmining>

BDO Dunwoody IFRS webinars

BDO launched a series of webinars to assist Canadian companies in their transition to IFRS. Sessions focused on topic areas by industry sector. Two sessions were mining specific: October 21 and November 24.

BDO Webinars - general <http://www.bdo.ca/about/events/>

BDO Webinars - mining specific <http://www.bdo.ca/about/events/ifrs-webinars-mining.cfm>

Impact of IFRSs on the Mining Industry webinar (sponsored by PTC Accounting & Finance)

A webinar was held on October 30 and provided key insights from mining experts on the challenges and opportunities presented by the IFRS changeover.

English- http://www.snwebcastcenter.com/event/?event_id=554

French- http://www.snwebcastcenter.com/event/?event_id=558

CICA IFRS courses - general

This Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA) website offers a comprehensive list of IFRS courses offered by provincial institutes.

<http://www.cica.ca/ifrs/training-and-events/item2768.aspx>

CICA IFRS one-day courses for the mining industry

This website contains a list of one-day IFRS courses for the mining industry offered by the CICA.

<http://www.cica.ca/ifrs/training-and-events/ifrs-courses/item2639.aspx>

CICA IFRS immersion course

These comprehensive courses consisted of a four-day program of lectures and in-depth case study reviews which covered issues that companies are facing as they adopt IFRS.

<http://cpd.cica.ca/IFRSImmersion/brochure.pdf>

CICA eLearning Portal

The CICA's on-line primer course offers an introduction to IFRS. The three-hour course is free of charge and is offered in English and French.

http://67.192.106.170/CICA_init/

Recent webinars that are available online

This website offers a list of recent webinars that have taken place and that are available for viewing.

<http://www.cica.ca/ifrs/training-and-events/item13387.aspx>

Additional Resources

Canadian Accounting Standards

The Canadian Accounting Standards, the body that mandated the changeover to IFRS, has drafted a brief document that describes the process of the changeover and provides some general information about the new reporting standards.

<http://www.cica.ca/ifrs/news/cdn-development-archive/item13344.pdf>

Deloitte

In this document, Deloitte offers information on how to execute the conversion to IFRS in a cost-effective manner.

http://www.iasplus.com/ca/0908roadtoconversion3_en.pdf

National Post article on IFRS changeover

In this article, Peter Koven conducts a Q & A with Dean Braunsteiner, a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Braunsteiner discusses how IFRS will impact the mining sector.

<http://www.vancouversun.com/business/fp/Business+change/2026227/story.html>

The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA)

This website offers information of IFRS and IFRS transition resources.

www.cica.ca/ifrs

CICA IFRS Guide

This resource is a guide to IFRS in Canada. This comprehensive reference outlines topics such as Canada's path to IFRS, implications, comparisons of GAAP to IFRS and the future of standard setting in Canada.

<http://www.cica.ca/ifrs/ifrs-transition-resources/docs-&-files/item2417.pdf>