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### ISSB's Exposure Drafts explained

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### Introduction



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### Today's speakers

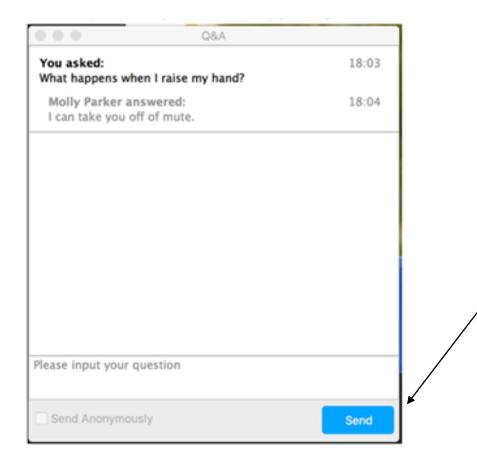


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## ISSB's proposed IFRS® Sustainability Disclosure Standards

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#### **Our organisation**

- Not-for-profit, public interest organisation
- Three-tier governance model
  - 1. Monitoring Board (oversight)
  - 2. Trustees (governance & strategy)
  - 3. IASB + ISSB (standards)
- Extensive, inclusive due process

### **Our mission**

Develop IFRS Standards that bring transparency, accountability and efficiency to financial markets around the world

### **IFRS Accounting Standards**

Required for use by more than 140 jurisdictions around the world



### **ISSB** focus



Develop standards for global baseline of sustainability disclosures and a digital taxonomy to enable electronic tagging of disclosures



Focus on meeting the information needs of investors



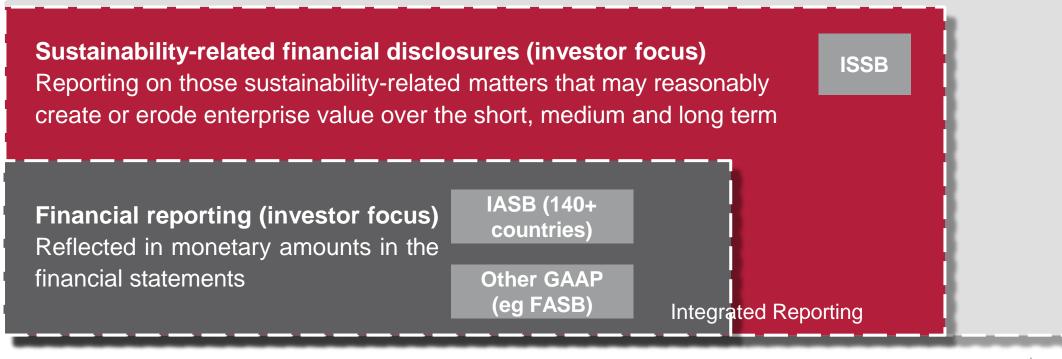
Will enable companies to provide comprehensive sustainability information for the global capital markets



Building blocks approach: facilitate the addition of requirements that are jurisdictionspecific or aimed at a broader group of stakeholders



**Sustainability reporting (broader multi-stakeholder focus)** Reporting on all sustainability matters that reflect significant positive or negative impacts on people, the environment and the economy Jurisdictional initiatives and/or GRI





### **Two proposed IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards**



General Requirements Exposure Draft



Climate Exposure Draft

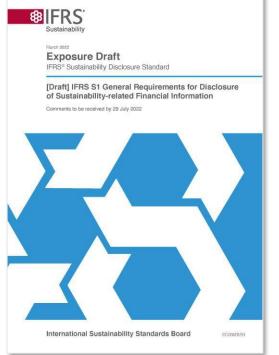


# General Requirements Exposure Draft

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# **1** General Requirements Exposure Draft



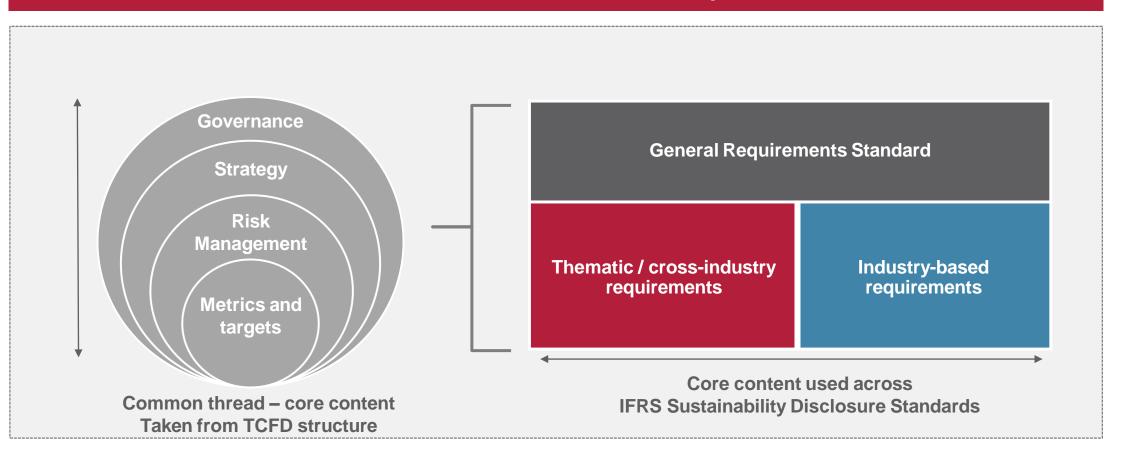
Requires companies to provide material information on all significant sustainability-related risks and opportunities necessary to assess enterprise value

- Other IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards (eg Climate Standard) set out specific disclosures
- Points to other standards and frameworks in absence of a specific IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standard
- Equivalent to IFRS Accounting Standards IAS 1 and IAS 8



### **Standards architecture**

#### Focus on investor audience and enterprise value





### Information for the capital markets

- Information provided must 'enable an assessment of the effects of sustainability-related risks and opportunities on a company's enterprise value' (the market value of its equity and net debt)
- focus is on **significant** sustainability-related risks and opportunities
- information required includes the impacts of a company on people, the environment and the planet if they affect assessments of enterprise value
- requires information that is **material** for a company, ie that could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that investors would make (in this case, when assessing enterprise value)



### Key features



Emphasises need for consistency and connections between financial statements and sustainability reporting by requiring companies to

- explain linkages in information
- use consistent assumptions when relevant



Requires financial statements and sustainability disclosures to be published at the same time

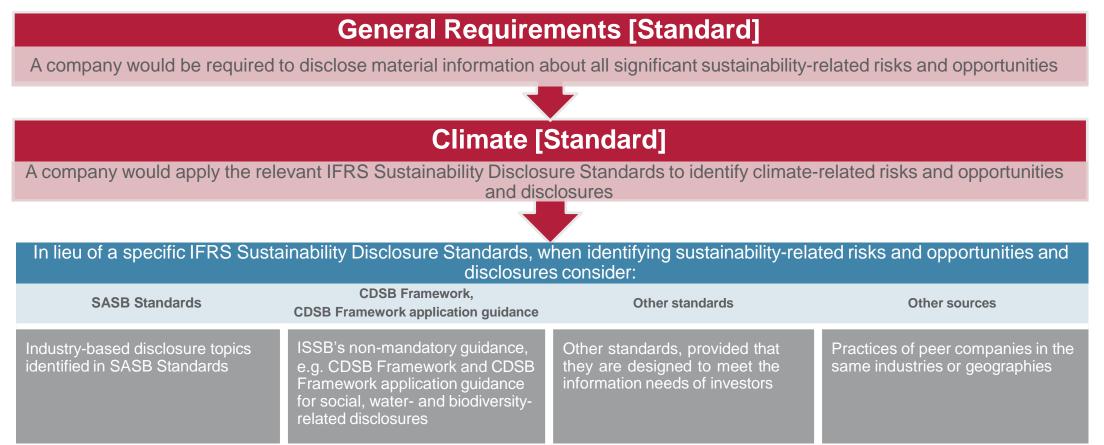


Facilitates application in different jurisdictions by

- not specifying a particular location for sustainability information
- · allowing additional information to be provided



# Identifying sustainability-related risks and opportunities and disclosures



**Illustrative Guidance** is provided to illustrate how a company can use the **SASB Standards** and the **CDSB Framework application guidance** to identify disclosures about significant sustainability-related risks and opportunities that are relevant to investor decision making, faithfully represent the company's risks and opportunities, and are neutral



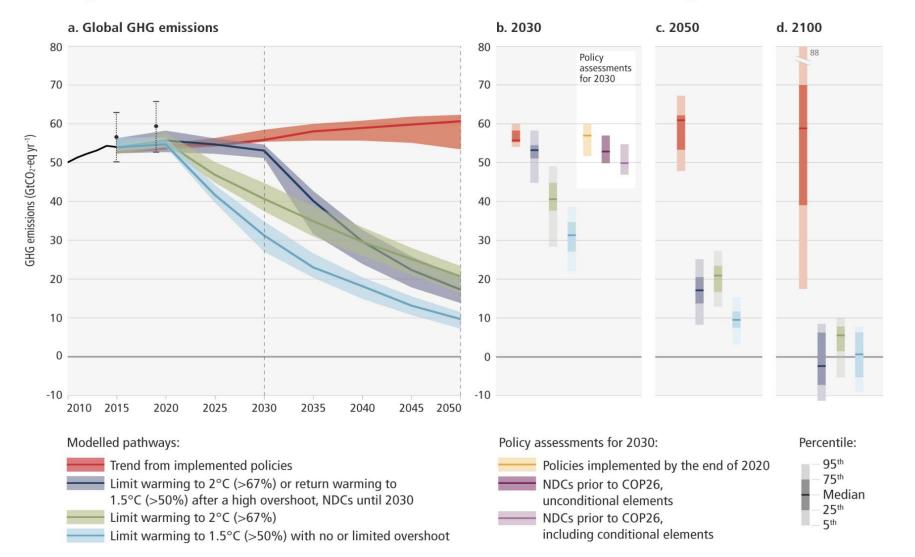
# Climate Exposure Draft

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### Latest climate science (IPCC)

Projected global GHG emissions from NDCs announced prior to COP26 would make it likely that warming will exceed 1.5°C and also make it harder after 2030 to limit warming to below 2°C.









Requirements for disclosure of material information about significant climate-related risks and opportunities

- Requires disclosure of information about;
  - physical risks (eg flood risk)
  - transition risks (eg regulatory change)
  - climate-related opportunities (eg new technology)



### **Building on existing standards**



#### **Consistent with TCFD**

- Governance
- Strategy
- Risk management
- Cross-industry metrics and targets
- Illustrative guidance

#### **Builds on SASB Standards**

- Industry-based disclosures in Appendix B derived from SASB Standards
- Proposed changes to:
  - Internationalise metrics
  - Add financed emissions
     disclosures



### Strategy

### Proposed Climate Disclosure Requirements



"The objective of climate-related financial disclosures on strategy is to enable users of general purpose financial reporting to understand **an entity's strategy for addressing significant climate-related risks and opportunities**."

Identification of climate-related risks and opportunities

Business model and value chain

Strategy and decision-making (e.g., carbon offsets)

Financial position, financial performance and cash flows

Climate resilience



### Proposed **Climate Disclosure Requirements**



### **Metrics and targets**

"The objective of climate-related financial disclosures on metrics and targets is to enable users of general purpose financial reporting to understand how an entity measures, monitors and manages its significant climate-related risks and opportunities. These disclosures shall enable users to understand how the entity assesses its performance, including progress towards the targets it has set"

**Cross-industry metric categories** Greenhouse gas emissions Transition risks Physical risks Climate-related opportunities Capital deployment meet the requirements Internal carbon prices Remuneration

**Industry-based requirements** 

In preparing these disclosures, an entity shall consider whether industry-based metrics

associated with disclosure topics could be used in whole or part to

# Call to action and next steps

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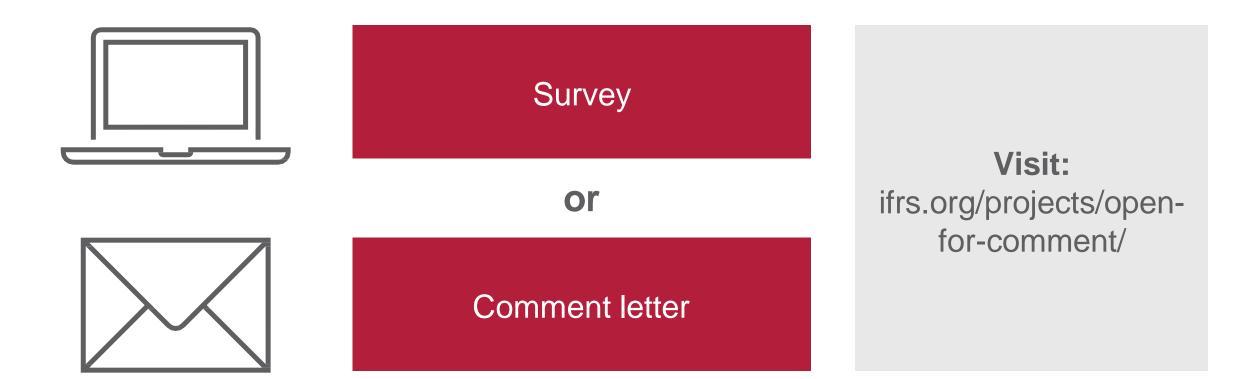
### **Consultation package & communication materials**

General Requirements Exposure Draft	Climate Exposure Draft	Other materials
Draft Standard	<ul> <li>Draft Standard</li> <li>including Appendix B industry- based disclosure requirements</li> </ul>	Press release
<ul> <li>Basis for Conclusions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Basis for Conclusions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Snapshot (high-level summary)</li> </ul>
Illustrative Guidance	Illustrative Guidance	• Video
		<ul> <li>Comparison of Climate ED &amp; TCFD</li> </ul>
		Comparison of TDMC

 Comparison of TRWG prototypes and Exposure Drafts



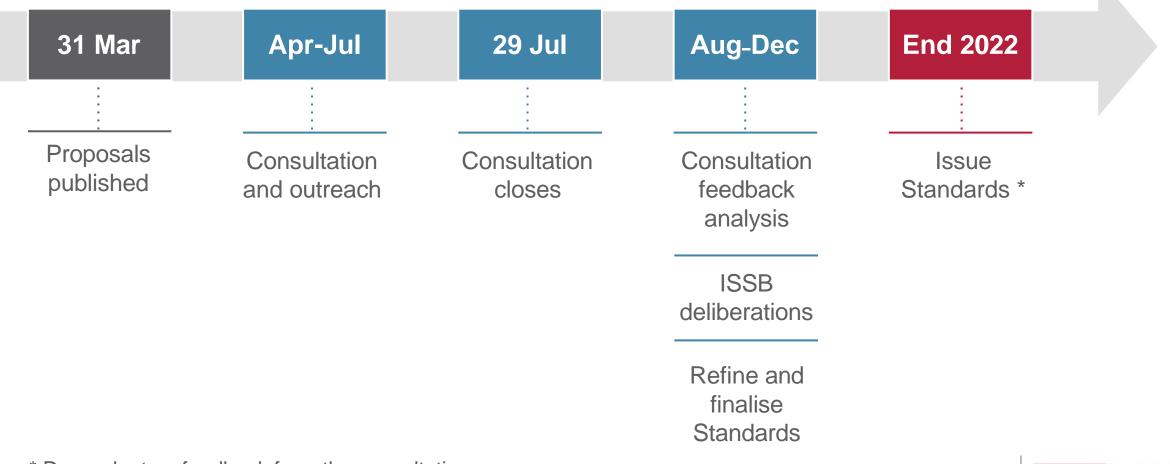
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Comments are published on ifrs.org



### Next steps for the Exposure Drafts

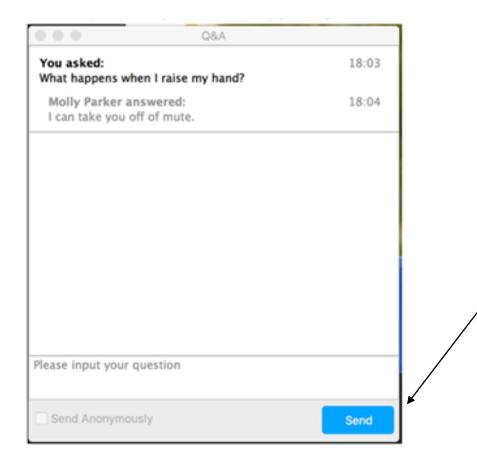


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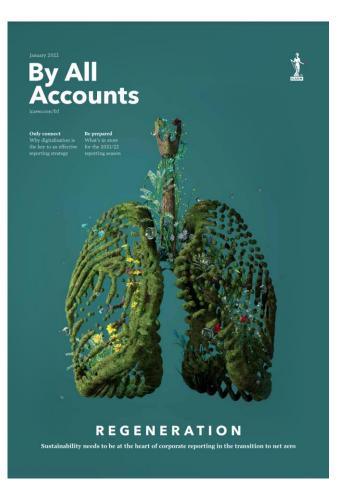
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### Sustainability reporting resources

- Non-financial reporting hub icaew.com/nfr
  - Overviews of reporting requirements
- Sustainability hub icaew.com/sustainability
  - Climate hub
  - Paris-aligned accounts
- By All Accounts magazine icaew.com/byallaccounts
  - January 2022 edition



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Highlights of the latest guidance published by		requirements for preparers of UK GAAP
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# **Webinars** 28 June | Climate Resilience

4 July | Does gender diversity in the workplace help mitigate climate change?

### **Questions**



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