Response to the IFAC Part 2, SMO Self-Assessment Questionnaire

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	IFAC Part 2 SMO Self-Assessment			
1.	SMO 1			
1.1.	Quality Assurance Program			
1.1.1.	Quality Assurance Review Program In your jurisdiction is there a mandatory quality assurance review program in place for members of your organization performing audits of financial statements of listed companies?	1⊙	Yes	The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland is recognised in Ireland and the United Kingdom. The Institute can register firms to undertake audits of companies and other entities. The Institute has in place a Quality Review programme which applies to all such registered firms. Monitoring of all audits and audit firms is carried out by the Professional Standards Department of the ICAI.

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				However, as a body approved in the UK the newly established Audit Inspection Unit will have the authority to review the audits of UK public interest entities audited by Irish registered firms. The reports of the AIU will continue to be submitted to the ICAI for decision making purposes.
1.2	D 1111 6 0 11 1	20	No	
1.2.	Responsibility for Quality Assurance - Overview			
1.2.1.	Responsibility for Quality Assurance Within your jurisdiction, is your organization responsible for monitoring the quality of the work of your members performing audits of financial statements? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Yes - for all audits of financial statements	However see notes in 1.1.1 in relation to the role of the AIU regarding audits of UK listed entities audited by ICAI registered firms.
		20	Yes - for all audits except those of listed entities	
		30	Our organization shares responsibility for the quality assurance program with another body	
		40	No, responsibility for quality assurance for all audits rests with another body	

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		50 60	Other (please describe) Not applicable - no members of our organization perform audits of listed entities	
1.2.6.	Quality Assurance (Member Body) All Audits - Scope			
	What types of engagements are included in the scope of the quality assurance review program? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Financial statement audit - listed entities (minimum requirement)	ICAI has, since 1987, had in place a system of Quality Review that covers all areas of practice. In most instances the audit monitoring inspection will form part of the combined Quality Review inspection. This will also include the investment business inspection visits. The Institute also monitors Insolvency but this is not covered by the Quality Review programme.
		2☑	Financial statement audit - audit of other than listed entities	,
		3☑	Other services (e.g., review, compilation)	
		4☑	Insolvency	
		5☑	Other (please specify)	
1.4.	Member - Benchmarking			
1.4.1.	Quality Control Standards and Guidance			
1.4.1.1.	Quality Control Standards			

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	Has your organization established and published quality control standards requiring firms to implement a system of quality control in accordance with International Standard on Quality Control 1?	10	Yes	ISQC has been adopted in Ireland and the UK. Quality control requirements are also set out in the Audit Regulations and Guidance issued jointly by the Institute, the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland. They were also addressed in SAS 240 issued by the Auditing Practices Board which issues auditing standards for the UK and Ireland.
1.4.1.3.	Quality Control Standards - Name State the name of the relevant quality control standards.		C1 - see also 1.4.1 above.	
1.4.1.4.	Other Quality Control Guidance Has your organization established and published other quality control guidance to assist your members to understand the objectives of quality control and to implement and maintain appropriate systems of quality control?		Yes	
1 4 1 5		20	No	
1.4.1.5.	Other Quality Control Guidance - Name			

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	State the name of the other quality control guidance.		it Regulations and other ications on audit quality	
1.4.2.	Design of the Quality Assurance Review Program			
1.4.2.1.	Subject of the QA Review Program Who is the subject of the quality assurance review program?	1🗹	Audit firm	
	1 0	2□	Partner	
1.4.2.2.	Audit Firm As the audit firm is the subject of the quality assurance review program, the quality assurance program should be designed, as required by SMO 1, to obtain reasonable assurance that:	10	Yes	
	 The firm has an adequate system of quality control relating to audits of financial statements of listed entities (and of other entities or engagements that are also included in the scope of the review). The firm complies with that system. The firm and engagement teams have adhered to professional standards and regulatory and legal requirements in performing audits of financial statements selected for review. 			
	Does the quality assurance program contain all three of these elements?			

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		20	No	
1.4.2.5.	Publication of Scope Does your organization publish a description of the scope and design of its quality assurance review program?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
1.4.2.7.	Name of Documents Please name the published document(s) that describe the scope and design of the quality assurance review program.	the land Dep (UK was	cual Reports are submitted to Department of Enterprise Trade Employment (Ireland) and the artment of Trade and Industry (2). The 2005 report in the UK submitted to the Professional resight Board for Accountants	
1.4.2.8.	Location of Documents Please indicate where the document(s) that include details on the scope and design of the quality assurance program can be located (e.g., provide internet address or indicate that documents are available from your organization).	Ava	ilable from ICAI	
1.4.3.	Review Cycle			
1.4.3.1.	Selection Approach Please select the approach used to select subjects for quality assurance review. Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Cycle approach	

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		2☑	Risk-based approach	
1.4.3.2.	Cycle Approach - Firm As the audit firm is the subject of the review, please indicate the maximum number of years in the review cycle:	10	1 year	As part of the quality review programme firms are required to submit a comprehensive Annual Return which is subjected to a Desk Top Monitoring risk assessment. As a result of that assessment a number of outcomes could result, from no further action to selection for a visit.
				The Institute adopts a risk based approach within a maximum visit cycle which is itself determined in relation to risk The maximum cycles for audit are as follows: Firms with listed clients 2 years Firms with other regulated clients 5 years Firms with small low risk clients 10 years
				The maximum visit cycles will be amended in accordance with the

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				requirements of the revised 8th Directive.
		20	2 years	
		30	3 years	
		40	4 years	
		50	5 years	
1 4 2 4		60	6 or more years	
1.4.3.4.	Cycle Greater Than Three Years As the review cycle is more than the three year cycle recommended by SMO1, please provide an explanation for adopting a longer	The Institute as explained above adopts a risk based approach. Each firm is assessed annually by way of an annual return and visited based on risk within maximum cycles. We believe that this is the best approach for ensuring that the public interest is served by an earlier inspection cycle - i.e. every two years for firms auditing listed entities.		
	cycle.			
1.4.3.6.	Risk-based Approach Please indicate the risk factors used to determine which firms or partners are reviewed. Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Number of listed entity clients	All of these matters are considered when selecting firms for review and determining the nature of the work to be undertaken at the review.
		2	Number of entities considered to be of public interest	icview.

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		3☑	Past results of quality assurance reviews	
		4☑	Failure to meet Continuing Professional Development requirements	
		5☑ 6☑ 7□	Independence violations Previously identified deficiencies in the design of, or compliance with the firm's system of quality control Other (please describe)	
1.4.4.	Implementation of the Quality Assurance	<u>/⊔</u>	Other (piease describe)	
	Program			
1.4.4.1.	Date of Implementation On what date did the quality assurance review program commence? (provide month/year)	1/1/1	1988	
1.4.4.2.	Number of Reviews - 2005 How many quality assurance reviews were completed during the year ended December 31, 2005 (or other 12 month period ending in 2005)?	100		
1.4.4.3.	Number of Reviews - 2004 How many quality assurance reviews were completed during the year ended December 31, 2004 (or other 12 month period ending in 2004)?	78		

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1.4.4.4.	Number of Reviews - 2003 How many quality assurance reviews were completed during the year ended December 31, 2003 (or other 12 month period ending in 2003)?	86	
1.4.5.	Quality Assurance Review Team Procedures		
1.4.5.1.	Publication of Review Guidelines Does your organization publish guidelines for procedures to be followed by quality assurance review teams?	1⊙ Yes	
		2O No	
1.4.5.2.	Name of Guidelines State the name of the published document(s) that include the procedures required to be followed by quality assurance review teams.	The Quality Review Regulations are available from the Institute (and are on the website). The published Annual Report sets out a broad description.	
1.4.5.4.	Location of Guidelines How can the document(s) that include the procedures required to be followed by quality assurance review teams be located (e.g., provide internet address or indicate that documents are available from your organization)?	Available from ICAI	

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1.4.5.5.	Content of Guidelines SMO 1 requires that the procedures to be performed during the quality assurance review include:	10	Yes	
	 a. An assessment of the system of quality control relating to audits of financial statements of listed entities (minimum requirement) b. Sufficient review of the quality control policies and procedures and reviews of engagement working papers to evaluate: The functioning of that system of quality control, and compliance with it; and The compliance with professional standards and regulatory and legal requirements in respect of audits of financial statements c. Review of engagement working papers d. Specific requirements regarding documentation of the review 			
	Does your quality assurance review program include requirements for all of these procedures?	20	No	
1.4.5.7.	Review of Engagement Working Papers SMO 1 requires procedures to be performed for the review of engagement working papers, including the evaluation of:	10	Yes	

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	 The existence and effectiveness of the system of quality control implemented by the subject of the review; Compliance with professional standards and regulatory and legal requirements in performing the engagement; The sufficiency and appropriateness of evidence documented in the working papers; and Whether the auditor's reports are appropriate in the circumstances. Does your quality assurance review program include requirements for all of these procedures? 				
1 4 7 0		20	No		
1.4.5.9.	Documentation Do the procedures to be performed by the quality assurance review team require documentation:	10	Yes		
	 of evidence supporting the quality assurance review report; and that establishes that the quality assurance review was carried out in accordance with the established guidelines. 				
	Are both of these requirements included in the quality assurance review program?				

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		20	No	
1.4.6.	The Quality Assurance Review Team			
1.4.6.1.	Skills and Competence Members of the quality assurance review team should have the necessary competencies to perform expected work. As required by SMO 1, these competencies should include:	10	Yes	
	 Appropriate professional education Relevant professional experience Specific training on performing quality assurance reviews 			
	Does the quality assurance review program require members of the quality assurance review team to have all three of these competencies?			
		20	No	
1.4.6.3.	Certification/Credentials Are members of the quality assurance review team required to possess certification or credentials issued by your organization to be eligible to serve as team members?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
1.4.6.5.	Quality Assurance Review Team Leader Where more than one reviewer is used to conduct a review, is a quality assurance review team leader assigned for each quality	10	Yes	

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	assurance review assignment?			
	•	20	No	
1.4.6.7.	QA Review Team Leader - Responsibilities As required by SMO 1, the responsibilities of the quality assurance review team leader should include:	10	Yes	
	 Supervision of the quality assurance review. Communication of the quality assurance review team's conclusions to the subject of the review. Preparation of the quality assurance review report. 			
	Does the quality assurance program place all these responsibilities on the review team leader?	20	No	
1.4.6.9.	Size of Quality Assurance Review Team		110	
	Please estimate the average number of reviewers included on a review team.	1		The real answer is that it varies depending on the size of the firm and number of audit clients. For example for a small firm this answer would be one however for a Big 4 inspection it would be 6.
1.4.7.	Quality Assurance Confidentiality - QA			would be one howev Big 4 inspection it v

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	Review Team		
1.4.7.1.	Exemption for QA Reviewers Does your organization exempt members from professional client confidentiality requirements concerning audit engagement working papers for the purpose of quality assurance reviews?	10 Yes 2⊙ No	
1.4.7.2.	Exemption for QA Reviewers Follow Up Please explain why your organization does not exempt reviewers from professional client confidentiality requirements concerning audit engagement working papers for the purpose of quality assurance reviews?	The review team present reports to the Quality Review Committee which makes decisions about the firms audit registration. It is thus important that the reviewers make an unbiased report and that they do not divulge information to which they had access whilst acting on behalf of the Committee; hence such declarations are required.	There is no exemption per se but all registered auditors must comply with Audit Regulations that are derived from legislation and which require firms/members to allow reviewers access to information that is necessary for the conduct and completion of reviews. We have never had a problem in gaining access to information on the grounds of client confidentiality for two reasons firstly members firms because of the nature of the contract with the Institute must comply with the Regulations which require access to working papers for

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				monitoring and secondly we maintain client confidentiality as they are never named in the reports with files reviewed being referred to by a code.
1.4.7.3.	Confidentiality Requirements Is the quality assurance review team required to follow professional confidentiality requirements similar to those established for professional accountants performing audits of financial statements?	10	Yes	
	Personang mounts of remaining semicentaries.	20	No	
1.4.8.	Ethical Requirements and QA Review Team			
1.4.8.1.	Fundamental Principles Are the fundamental principles set out in the IFAC Code of Ethics (relevant national ethical requirements) considered in relation to the quality assurance review team's conduct of a review?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
1.4.8.3.	Consideration of Independence Quality assurance review team members are expected to be independent of the member (i.e., the accountant or firm being reviewed) and the member's clients selected for review.	10	Yes	

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	Do those who select and approve a review team determine whether the independence of the quality assurance review team leader and each member of the quality assurance review team has been reasonably assured?			
	-	20	No	
1.4.8.5.	Reciprocal Reviews Where the review is performed by team members from a single firm (e.g., a "peer review"), please indicate whether firms are permitted to perform reciprocal quality assurance reviews.	10	Yes, reciprocal reviews are permitted	
		20	No, reciprocal reviews are not	
		20	permitted	
		3©	Not applicable - peer review is not used	
1.4.9.	Reporting		is not used	
1.4.9.1.	Quality Assurance Review Report Is the quality assurance review team leader required to issue a written quality assurance review report to the reviewed firm or partner upon completion of each quality assurance review assignment?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
1.4.9.3.	Contents of Report As required by SMO 1, the quality assurance review report should include the following elements:	10	Yes	
	- The review guidelines (referred to in			

Question 1.4.5.1) utilized by the quality assurance review team. - Recommendations for areas of improvement at both firm wide and engagement level. Does the quality assurance program require both of these elements to be included in the report? 20 No 1.4.9.5. Contents of Report - Firm As required by SMO 1, the quality assurance review report should include the following conclusions: - Whether the firm's system of quality control has been designed to meet the requirements of the applicable quality control standards; - Whether the firm has complied with its system of quality control during the period under review; and - Reasons for reaching negative conclusions on either or both of the above. Does the quality assurance program require all of these elements to be included in the report?	Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
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20 No			20	No	

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1.4.9.8.	Response to Reporting Is the subject of the review required to provide a timely written response to the recommendations and conclusions of the quality assurance review report, including planned actions and expected time of completion or implementation?	10	Yes	
	compression of impressionalism.	20	No	
1.4.9.10.	Reporting to the Public Does your organization prepare and make available to the public (and upon request from regulatory authorities) an annual report summarizing the results of the quality assurance review program?	10	Yes	Annual reporting discussed earlier
		20	No	
1.4.10.	Corrective and Disciplinary Actions			
1.4.10.1.	Corrective Actions Required Does your organization require each of its members to make appropriate corrections to its system of quality control, or in its compliance with policies and procedures?	10	Yes	
	comphance with policies and procedures:	20	No	
1.4.10.3.	Disciplinary Actions If one of your members subsequently fails to demonstrate compliance with professional standards and regulatory and legal requirements, do you take appropriate disciplinary action?	10	Yes	
		20	No	

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1.4.10.5.	Linkage with Disciplinary Actions Does your organization clearly establish a link between less than satisfactory results of quality assurance reviews and the initiation of corrective and disciplinary actions under its disciplinary system?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
2.	SMO 2			
2.1.	MB Membership Requirements Which of the following are required for individuals to be admitted as members in your organization? Select all the options that are appropriate.	1☑	Complete a program of professional accountancy education	
		2☑	Complete a practical experience requirement	
		3☑	Complete a final assessment of the individual's professional capabilities and competencies	
		4□	None of the above	
2.2.	Continuous Professional Development Is there a requirement for your members to develop and maintain competence through continuous professional development	10	Yes	
	(CPD)?			
		20	No	
2.3.	Professional Accountancy Education			
2.3.1.	Professional Accountancy Education Program			

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	Who delivers the professional accountancy education program for your members? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑ Our organization	
		 2□ Another IFAC member body 3☑ Universities 4□ Approved training institutions 5□ Government bodies 6□ Other organizations 	
2.3.2.	Describe Other Organizations Where your response in question 2.3.1 indicates another IFAC member body, universities, approved training institutions, and / or other organizations deliver the professional accountancy education program, describe these organizations and their legal authority to deliver the program. (Include the name of the other IFAC member body where relevant).	ICAI provides education programmes for all its trainees. Trainees (98%) are graduates who may have completed undergraduate or post graduate programmes that may entitle the trainee to agreed exemptions on the initial examination (undergraduate degrees) or penultimate examination (post graduate Masters programmes).	
2.3.3.	Prof Accountancy Education Program Follow Up Please describe how your organization ensures the professional accountancy education program, delivered by the organization in response to question 2.3.1., meets the required content.	All undergraduate programmes which give rise to an exemption from the ICAI education programme are subject to an accreditation review by ICAI staff. In the case of masters programmes	

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	Include in your description the specific activities your organization undertakes with regards to the necessary content requirements.	in addition to an independnet review a Joint Board is in place to monitor the programme. These reviews and oversight include the verification that the programmes content is equivalent to the ICAI programme. ICAI's own education programmes are subject to our own quality review processes. We also receive feedback from our training firms. ICAI organises meetings between the lecturers, examiners and moderators. Meetings with trainees are organised and feedback received is communicated to the relevant parties.		
2.7.	IES 1 Entry Requirements			
2.7.1.	Entry Requirements and Equivalency Section 2.7 deals with the entry requirements to the professional accountancy education program delivered by your organization. Are the entry requirements to the program equivalent to admissions requirements for a recognized university degree program (or its	10	Entry requirements are at least equivalent to that for admission into a recognized university degree program (or its equivalent)	
	equivalent)?	20	Entry requirements are not	

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			equivalent to that for admissions into a recognized university degree program (or its equivalent)	
2.7.3.	Process for Checking Equivalency Is there a formal process for assessing whether an individual's experience and knowledge is equivalent to that for admissions into a recognized university?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
2.8.	IES 2 Content of Professional Accounting Education Program			
2.8.1.	Gaining Accountancy Knowledge Section 2.8 deals with the general content of the professional accountancy education program delivered by your organization.	1☑	Post-secondary accounting degree	
	What forms of pre-qualification, professional accountancy knowledge are recognized by your organization? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			
		2☑	Post-secondary business or	
		3☑	finance degree Post-secondary degree in another subject matter	
		4☑	Qualification offered by another IFAC member body	
		5 ☑ 6□	Relevant work experience Other	

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2.8.2.	Describe Other Degree Describe in general terms the other degrees and specializations recognized by your organization.	ICAI allows non relevant degree holders to enter our education programmes though these will typically not be entitled to any exemptions.	
2.8.3.	Describe Other IFAC Qualification State the name of the IFAC member body and the title / designation offered by the IFAC member body that is recognized by your organization.	ICAI has agreements with ICAEW and ICAS which permit members to be admitted to these Institutes. Reciprocity agreements also exist with other bodies although tax and law exams will have to be completed in this case. Bodies covered by reciprocity agreements are SAICA, ICAA, ICANZ, CICA, AICPA, HKICPA and ICA Zimbabwe.	
2.8.4.	Relevant Work Experience Describe the type and length of work experience that is recognized as part of pre- qualification professional accountancy knowledge.	For mature students ICAI does, to a very limited extent and subject to rigorous criteria, recognise prior relevant work experience and this may result in a reduction in the duration of the training contract.	
2.8.6.	Pre-Qualification for Professional Knowledge		

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	What is the length of the professional accountancy knowledge component of prequalification education? Select the answer option that is the most appropriate.		Two years of full-time study or part-time equivalent	
	-passes and an array appropriate	20	Less than two years of full- time study or part-time	
		3⊙	equivalent More than two years of full- time study or part-time equivalent study	
2.8.7.	Length Follow Up Please describe the extent of professional accountancy knowledge that is required as part of the pre-qualification education component. Include in your description factors that were relevant in selecting the extent of knowledge required.	Accountancy knowledge (financial accounting and related subjects) are covered at all three levels of the education and assessment process. The specified coverage is limited to what we believe is necessary to practice as a chartered accountant.		
2.8.8.	Pre-Qualification Content			
2.8.8.1.	Accounting and Finance Section 2.8.8.1 deals with the specific content of the professional accountancy education program delivered by your organization.	1☑	Financial accounting and reporting	
	Which of the following accounting, finance, and related knowledge subject areas are required prior to qualification? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			

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		2☑	Management accounting and	
			control	
		3☑	Control	
		4☑	Taxation	
		5☑	Business and commercial law	
		6☑	Audit and assurance	
		7☑	Finance and financial	
			management	
		$8\mathbf{V}$	Professional values and ethics	
		9□	None of the above	
2.8.8.3.	Organizational and Business Knowledge			
	Which of the following organizational and	1☑	Economics	
	business knowledge subject areas are			
	required prior to qualification? Select all the			
	answer options that are appropriate.			
		2☑	Business environment	
		3☑	Corporate governance	
		4☑	Business ethics	
		5☑	Financial markets	
		6☑	Quantitative methods	
		7☑	Organizational behavior	
		8☑	Management and strategic	
			decision making	
		9☑	Marketing	
		10	International business and	
		$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	globalization	
		11	None of the above	
2.8.8.5.	Information Technology	. —		
	Which of the following information	1☑	General knowledge of IT	

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	technology (IT) subject areas and competences are required prior to qualification? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			
	that are appropriate.	2☑	IT control knowledge	
		3☑	IT control competences	
		4☑	IT user competences	
		5☑	One of, or a mixture of, the	
			competences of, the roles of	
			manager, evaluator or	
			designer of information	
			systems	
		6□	None of the above	
2.8.8.7.	Additional Content by Requirement Are there additional content requirements specified by law or regulation, or your organization?	1☑	Yes, as required by law or regulation	
	<u> </u>	2☑	Yes, as determined to be	
			necessary by our organization	
		3□	No	
2.8.8.8.	Additional Content - Describe Describe the additional content required by law / regulation or determined to be necessary by your organization including whether this requirement applies to all professional accountants or those operating in public practice or employed in business.	To be eligible to practice as an auditor there are specific relevant experience requirments required under the EU 8th Directive. ICAI requires that all trainees pass a computer based Personal Computing for Accountants examination.		

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2.9.	IES 3 Professional Skills			
2.9.1.	Development of Intellectual Skills Section 2.9 deals with the professional skills required by the professional accountancy education program delivered by your organization. At what points in the professional accountancy education program are intellectual skills developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. In responding to this question refer to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 14.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements	
		2☑ 3☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content Through practical experience requirement Other (please describe)	
2.9.2.	Intellectual Skills Describe the specific intellectual skills candidates are required to have at the point of qualification and how these skills are assessed.	4□ Other (please describe) The ICAI syllabus has determined specific skills (including written skills) expected of members and these are assessed in the examination process. The undergraduate programmes also develop additional technical skills.		
2.9.3.	Development of Technical and Functional			

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	Skills At what points in the professional accountancy education program are technical and functional skills developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. In responding to this question refer to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 15.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements	
	Total to 125 5 paragraphs 15 and 16.	2☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content	
		3☑	Through practical experience requirement	
		4□	Other (please describe)	
2.9.4.	Technical and Functional Skills Describe the specific technical and functional skills candidates are required to have at the point of qualification and how these skills are assessed.	Trainees cover specific technical content on their education programmes which are assessed. Trainees are also required to obtain a minimum experience in specific areas of accounting, auditing and or taxation which is acquired through the trainees' work experience and is assessed through their firm's assessment process and recorded in a trainee experience log.		
2.9.5.	Development of Personal Skills At what points in the professional accountancy education program are personal skills developed? Select all the answer	12	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy	

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	options that are appropriate. In responding to this question IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 16.	2☑ 3☑ 4□	education program entry requirements Through specific professional accountancy education course content Through practical experience requirement Other (please describe)	
2.9.6.	Personal Skills Describe the specific personal skills candidates are required to have at the point of qualification and how these skills are assessed.	Trainees personal skills are initially developed through their undergraduate programmes. Personal skills are enhanced in the workplace through the training programmes and their trainees' progress is monitored and assessed by employers. Additionally within the ICAI education programme trainees written and other skills are developed and assessed.		
2.9.7.	Dev of Interpersonal and Communication Skills At what points in the professional accountancy education program are interpersonal and communication skills developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. In responding to this question refer to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 17.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements	

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		2☑ 3☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content Through practical experience requirement	
		4□	Other (please describe)	
2.9.8.	Interpersonal and Communication Skills Describe the specific interpersonal and communication skills candidates are required to have at the point of qualification and how these skills are assessed.	an ir com reinf addi deve ICA prog	ergraduate programmes include acreasing emphasis on munication skills. This is forced in the workplace through tional training and elopment and also within the I education and assessment ramme with an emphasis in case on written skills.	
2.9.9.	Dev of Organizational and Business Mngt Skills			
	At what points in the professional accountancy education program are organizational and business management skills developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. In responding to this question refer to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 18.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements	
	and 18.	2☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content	
		3☑	Through practical experience	

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		requirement 4□ Other (please describe)	
2.9.10.	Organizational and Business Management Skills Describe the specific organizational and business management skills candidates are required to have at the point of qualification and how these skills are assessed.	The majority of our graduate entrants will have studied this area as part of their undergraduate programmes. Additional training is provided by their firms and their progress is monitored and assessed. ICAI's education programme also includes coverage of organisation and business management theory which is assessed.	
2.10.	IES 4 Professional Values, Ethics and Attitudes		
2.10.1.	Content for Values, Ethics and Attitudes Section 2.10 deals with professional ethics, values, and attitude content and requirements of the professional accountancy education program delivered by your organization.	1⊙ Yes	
	Does the professional accountancy education program include coverage of values, ethics and attitudes?	2O No	
2.10.2.	Values, Ethics and Attitudes in Content	20 110	

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2.10.2.1.	Program Content for Values, Ethics and Attitudes			
	Which of the following are included in the program content? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1□	The nature of ethics	The focus is on professional and business ethics rather than ethics theory.
	opposition and appropriate	2☑	Differences of detailed rules- based and framework approaches to ethics, their	
		3☑	advantages and drawbacks Compliance with the fundamental ethical principles of integrity, objectivity, commitment to professional competence and due care, and confidentiality	
		4☑	Professional behavior and compliance with technical standards	
		5☑	Concepts of independence, skepticism, accountability and public expectations	
		6☑	Ethics and the profession: social responsibility	
		7☑	Ethics and law, including the relationship between laws, regulations and the public interest	
		8☑	Consequences of unethical behavior to the individual, to the profession and to society	

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		9☑ 10 ☑ 11	at large Ethics in relation to business and good governance Ethics and the individual professional accountant: whistle blowing, conflicts of interest, ethical dilemmas and their resolution. None of the above	
2.10.2.2.	Values, Ethics and Attitudes Content Follow Up For the values, ethics and attitudes subjects in question 2.10.2.2 that are not required by your organization, please describe the special conditions or reasons why they are not required.	Identified topics are not required at present though it is planned to introduce the IFAC ethics toolkit in the near future to cover these areas.		
2.10.2.3.	IFAC Code of Ethics Is the program content based on the relevant sections of the IFAC Code of Ethics?	1© 2O	Yes No	All sections
2.10.2.4.	Workplace Learning Development At what points in the professional accountancy education program are values, ethics, attitudes and adherence to them developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the program entry requirements	

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		2☑	Through specific program course content	
		3☑	Through practical experience requirement	
		4□	Other (please describe)	
2.11.	IES 5 Practical Experience Requirement			
2.11.1.	Approved Provider Section 2.11 deals with the practical experience requirement established by your organization.	10	Yes	
	Does the practical experience requirement have to be obtained with approved providers or employers?	20	No	
2.11.2.	Provider Characteristics Please describe the characteristics set by your organization for recognizing approved providers.	appr	vast majority are ICAI oved training firms. Approval anted prior to training.	
2.11.4.	Length of Practical Experience What is the required length of prequalification practical experience? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Three years	
		2O 3 ©	Less than three years More than three years	
2.11.5.	Length of Practical Experience Follow Up Describe the length of the practical experience requirement and what special conditions or factors were relevant in	is 3	normal experience requirement 5 years for graduates and 3 s for students who have	

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	establishing the length.	completed masters degrees. A small number of technicians are admitted though their experience requirement is 5 years or 5.5 years depending on individual circumstances.		
2.11.6.	Practical Application SMO 2			
2.11.6.1.	Practical Application Where relevant graduate (beyond undergraduate, e.g., masters) professional education has a strong element of practical accounting application, may any portion of the professional education be contributed to the practical experience requirement?	10	Yes	
	1	20	No	
2.11.6.2.	Practical Application Recognized How many months of the practical accounting component may be contributed towards the practical experience requirement?	10	One to twelve months	The experience requirement is reduced from 3.5 to 3 years.
		20	Thirteen or more months	
		30	Other	
2.11.7.	Timing of Experience			
2.11.7.1.	Pre or Post Qualification Experience The practical experience for accountants may be obtained (select all the answer options that are appropriate):	1☑ 2☑	Before the professional accountancy education program of study At the same time as the professional accountancy	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		3□	education program of study After the professional accountancy education program of study	
2.11.7.2.	Describe Pre or Post Experience			
	Describe the length of practical experience that may be obtained pre-qualification and / or post-qualification.	com time com For expe into (sub redu	vast majority of trainees will plete their studies at the same as their training contract (after pleting a university degree). mature entry students crience gained prior to entering a training contract can be used ject to specific criteria) to ce the training contract to a ible minimum 2 years.	
2.12.	IES 5 Monitoring of Practical Experience Requirement			
2.12.1.	Monitoring of Practical Experience Is the period of practical experience monitored?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
2.12.3.	Monitoring Practical Experience How is the practical experience requirement (or practical application) monitored and assessed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Mentoring system	
	11 1	2☑	Approved training employers	
		3□	and organizations Self-declaration required	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		4☑	from the candidate Record of the practical experience is kept and submitted to the member	
		5☑	body when applying for membership An assessment is made by the	
		6□	mentor or employer Other (please describe)	
2.13.	IES 6 Assessment of Prof Capabilities and Competence		Office (picase describe)	
2.13.1.	Assessment by IFAC Body or Other Section 2.13 deals with the final assessment requirements established by your organization. Select all the organizations involved in conducting the final assessment.	1☑	Our organization (including training entities that are affiliated with our organization or a subsidiary of our organization).	
	If the final assessment is conducted jointly between various organizations, select all those that have some responsibility for conducting the final assessment and in the Comment Box, describe the nature of their respective roles and responsibilities.			
		2□ 3□	Another IFAC member body Government or regulatory body	
		4□	Other	
2.13.4.	Characteristics of Assessment			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Which of the following characteristics are applicable to the final assessment process? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Uniform for all students	
	-FFF	2☑	Given simultaneously where it is being held in more than	
		3☑	once location in the country Assessment is set and assessed only by qualified or approved individuals	
		4□	None of the above	
2.13.5.	Qualifying for Final Assessment What requirements must the candidate satisfy to take the final assessment? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Specified pre-qualification requirements relating to professional knowledge,	
			professional skills, and professional values, ethics, and attitudes	
		2☑	Specified practical experience requirements	
		3□ 4□	Other (please describe) None of the above	
2.13.6.	Timing Considerations for Final Assessment Is there a requirement or restriction for completing the final assessment? For example, some organization may require the candidate to take the final examination within a specified number of years of meeting the pre-assessment requirements.	10	Yes	
	6 t	20	No	

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2.13.7.	Requirement or Restrictions Describe the requirements or restrictions relating to when the final assessment must be undertaken.	Final assessment must normally be undertaken within a training contract of specific duration towards the end of the contract.	
2.13.8.	Assess Professional Knowledge Describe in general terms how required professional knowledge (e.g. technical knowledge about accounting, finance, audit, financial reporting, legislative requirements, information technology etc) is assessed during the final assessment.	The final admitting examination (FAE) tests in an intergrated case study manner the necessary technical and professional skills.	
2.13.9.	Assess Professional Skills Describe in general terms how required professional skills (e.g. ability to solve problems, make decisions, exercise judgment, personal skills, interpersonal and communication skills, organizational and business management skills etc) are assessed during the final assessment.	The FAE involves the completion of a series of case study materials requiring the assessment of particular problems, analysis, judgement and appropriate business skills. The ability to communicate the results of this scenario is assessed within the assessment process.	
2.13.10.	Assess Professional Values, Ethics, Attitudes Describe in general terms how required professional values, ethics, and attitudes are assessed during the final assessment.	These topics are assessed within the individual subjects particularly the auditing paper and the multidiscipline case studies.	

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2.13.11.	Recorded or Oral Format			
2.13.11.	Is the final assessment conducted through:	10	Recorded format with recorded (e.g. written) response required	
		20	Oral format with oral	
		30	responses Both recorded and oral response formats	
2.13.13.	Assessment Formats What formats are used in conducting the final assessment (select all the answer options that are appropriate)?	1□	Multiple choice questions	
		2☑ 3☑ 4□ 5□	Case studies Technical questions Thesis Other (please describe)	
		6□	None of the above	
2.13.14.	Reliability and Validity Describe in general terms the procedures in place to ensure the final assessments are reliable and valid. Include a description of how the assessment questions are set and by whom and also how reviewers / assessors are selected.	deta inclu marl scru doub exar Exar for u	assessment is subject to iled setting and oversight ading moderation, sample king, marking conference tiny, examiner oversight, ble marking and post mination moderation of results. miners monitor marks awarded musual patterns and an appeals ess is also in place.	

Frequency of Final Assessments			
How many times in a year is the final assessment offered? Select the answer	10	Yearly (or once a year)	
	20 30 40 50 60	Half yearly (or twice a year) Three sessions a year Four sessions a year Five sessions a year Other (please describe the frequency of the examinations)	
Responsibility for CPD Requirements Section 2.14 deals with the continuous professional development requirements established by your organization. Who establishes the continuous professional development requirements applicable to your members? Select all the answer options	1☑	Our organization	In addition as a recognised body for audit, investment business and insolvency, the Institute is required by law to ensure members practising in such areas maintain their competence.
that are appropriate.	2□	Another organization (state the name of the organization including whether it is an	
	3□	Law and / or regulation (state the name of the law / regulation)	
	IES 7 Continuing Professional Development - CPD Responsibility for CPD Requirements Section 2.14 deals with the continuous professional development requirements established by your organization. Who establishes the continuous professional development requirements applicable to	option that is the most appropriate. 20 30 40 50 60 IES 7 Continuing Professional Development - CPD Responsibility for CPD Requirements Section 2.14 deals with the continuous professional development requirements established by your organization. Who establishes the continuous professional development requirements applicable to your members? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. 2□	option that is the most appropriate. 20 Half yearly (or twice a year) Three sessions a year Four sessions a year Other (please describe the frequency of the examinations) FES 7 Continuing Professional Development - CPD Responsibility for CPD Requirements Section 2.14 deals with the continuous professional development requirements established by your organization. Who establishes the continuous professional development requirements applicable to your members? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. 2 Another organization (state the name of the organization including whether it is an IFAC member body) 3 Law and / or regulation (state the name of the law / regulation)

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2.14.2.	CPD and Professional Accountants Which membership categories are required to maintain professional competence through continuous professional development? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	11	All our qualified members	Members may in certain tightly defined circumstances claim an exemption from the CPD requirements.
		2□	Qualified members who perform audits of listed entities	
		3□	Qualified members who perform audits of entities other than listed entities	
		4□	Qualified members who provide services (other than audit) to the public	
		5□ 6□	Qualified members who are employed in business Other (please describe)	
2.14.3.	Requirement - CPD			
2.14.3.1.	Type of CPD Requirement Which of the following answer options describes the way the continuous professional development is structured? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑ 2□	Members must satisfy a number of hours of continuous professional development a year or over a number of years All members are to satisfy specified content requirements (e.g. specified courses or knowledge content)	

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		3□	Members working in specialist areas or areas of high risk to the public are to satisfy specified content requirements (e.g. specified courses or knowledge content)	
		4□	Other	
2.14.3.3.	Hours of Continuous Professional Development Which one of the following answer options best describes the continuous professional development hours required?	10 20	Members have to complete a minimum of 120 hours or equivalent learning units of relevant professional development activity over a three-year rolling period. Members have to complete a minimum of 20 hours or equivalent learning units in each year Other	
2.14.3.8.	Monitoring of CPD Is there a process to monitor whether your members who are qualified as professional accountants meet the continuous professional development requirements?	10	Yes, there is a monitoring process for CPD requirements	
2111	• •	20	No, there is no monitoring process for CPD requirements	
2.14.4.	Monitoring of CPD Requirement			

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2.14.4.1.	Monitoring Process SMO 2			
	Which of the following elements does the monitoring process include? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Professional accountants are required to submit a declaration	
	answer options that are appropriate.	2☑	Professional accountants are	
			required to submit evidence	
		3☑	Our organization audits a	
			sample of professional accountants to check	
			compliance	
		4☑	Compliance is monitored	
			through firm quality control	
		~ 	standards	
		5☑	Compliance is monitored through a quality assurance	
			review program	
		6□	Other (please describe)	
		7□	None of the above	
2.14.4.2.	Declaration and CPD SMO 2			
	Describe the matters addressed in the declaration (select all that apply):	1	Professional accountant's obligation to meet ethical obligations	Members are required to submit declarations in relation to the other matters in other regulatory returns. The Institute's CPD policy highlights the importance of ethical and professional
		<u> </u>	D C 1 1 1 1	judgement.
		2□	Professional accountant's obligation to maintain knowledge	

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		3□	Professional accountant's obligation to maintain skills	
		4☑	to perform competently Compliance with CPD requirement	
		5□	Other (please describe)	
2.14.4.3.	Sanctions SMO 2 Where a professional accountant does not satisfy the CPD requirements (within a reasonable period of encouraging the professional accountant to meet the requirements), are sanctions or other noncompliance actions, such as expulsion or denial of the right to practice, imposed?	10	Yes, sanctions or actions for non-compliance are imposed	
		20	No, sanctions or other non- compliance actions are not imposed	
2.14.4.4.	Sanction Types and CPD Describe the nature and extent of the sanction, expulsions or denial of the right to practice.	matt relev the l Dep pow	ase of non compliance the ter would be considered by the want regulatory committee in CAI Professional Standards artment. The committee has the er to impose a full range of tions for non-compliance.	
		ICA facil	vever it is the policy of the I to support the members and itate learning and professional elopment. Therefore, the first	

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		actions of the Institute would always be to seek to bring members into compliance with the CPD requirements.	
2.15.	Activities to Promote IESs SMO 2 Please describe the activities your organization undertakes to promote and assist in implementing the pronouncements issued by IFAC's International Accounting Education Standards Board.	ICAI actively supports the work of the IAESB. All standards and exposure drafts are considered by relevant Committees. On adoption of a standard ICAI considers what actions are required to ensure compliance with the standard and whether existing members, universities and other parties need to be advised of the development to ensure compliance. ICAI Past President Henry Saville is Chair of the Board and actively promotes the IAESB and its standands at various fora and on an ongoing basis. For example he recently addressed the European Accounting Association Academic Conference on the work of the Board.	
3.	SMO 3		
3.1.	Auditing Standards in Law/Regulation		

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	Does law or regulation establish the set of auditing standards to be used in the audit of private sector listed entities and non-listed entities? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. Where the law / regulation establishes the	1	Yes for audits of listed entities	The Institute through its own Regulations (as opposed to government Regulation) requires auditors to comply with the Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board.
	auditing standards to be used by reference to the set of standards to be used by their name or by including the text of the standards in the law / regulation, please respond "yes" to this question. Section 3.8. of this module includes questions about the law / regulation.			This is likely to be amended when the revised 8th Directive is implemented.
	Where the law / regulation gives authority to a national standard-setter to establish the auditing standards, please respond "no". Section 3.2. of this module includes questions about the standard-setter and the auditing standards that are established.			
		2□	Yes for audits of non-listed entities	
		3☑ 4☑	No for audits of listed entities No for audits of non-listed entities	
3.2.	Responsibility for Private Sector Auditing Standards			
3.2.1.	Auditing Standards - Private Sector Is there only one set of auditing standards or	10	The auditing standards for	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	are the auditing standards applicable to listed entities different from non-listed entities?	20	listed entities and non-listed entities are the same set of standards The auditing standards for listed entities and non-listed entities are not the same set of standards	
3.2.6.	Responsibility for Auditing Standards Who has the authority for establishing the auditing standards for listed and non-listed entities?	10	Our organization	
		20	Another IFAC member body	
		30	Joint process between our	
			organization and another IFAC member body or other	
			organization	
		40	Another organization	
3.2.7.	Responsibility - Other SMO 3 State the organization's name that is responsible for establishing auditing standards for audits of listed and non-listed entities.	issue	Auditing Practices Board es Auditing Standards icable in the UK and Ireland	
3.7.	Other Organization Standard-Setter SMO 3			
3.7.1.	Standard-Setter and Convergence SMO 3 Has the standard-setter established convergence of national auditing standards with IAASB pronouncements? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Standard-setter's convergence objectives are not known	Whilst APB has not adopted convergence as a formal objective it did in 2004 issue a revised suite of ISAs (UK

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				and Ireland) to which clearly identifed UK and Irish pluses have been added. These ISAs are applicable for accounting periods beginning on or after the 15 December 2004. Other IAASB pronouncements, other than ISQC1, have not been adopted.
		20	Standard-setter has established convergence as a formal objective	1
		30	Standard-setter has not established convergence as a formal objective	
3.7.4.	Convergence Established - Standard- Setter SMO 3		J	
3.7.4.1.	Standard-Setter Amendments SMO 3 Has the standard-setter issued information that describes differences between the IAASB pronouncements and national standards including:	10	Yes	Most of this information has been provided in summary form. The differences between the ISA and the ISA (UK and Ireland) are clearly
	The IAASB pronouncement in effect as at September 30, 2005 that have been adopted or compared with a similar or equivalent national standard or pronouncement; The effective date of national standard or pronouncement where it differs from the IAASB pronouncement;			highlighted. The adoption of ISA 700 (revised) has been deferred because of the uncertainties over the EC and other developments relating to audit reports.

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	The differences between the IAASB pronouncement and the similar or equivalent national standard and pronouncement; and The reasons for the differences?			
		20	No	
3.7.4.2.	Submit Information - Standard-Setter SMO 3			
	If the standard-setter has issued information about differences between IAASB pronouncements and the national standards and it is available in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to Compliance Staff.	10	Yes, information is available from the standard setter and in English and will be submitted to Compliance Staff	This information is available in English from the standard setter (the APB).
	If this information is not available, refer to the SMO 3: Comparison with IAASB Pronouncements report by clicking on the link and complete it to the extent your organization is able to and submit it in Word format to Compliance Staff.			
	Indicate whether your organization will be submitting available information or the "SMO 3: Comparison with IAASB Pronouncements" report.			
		20	No, the information is not	

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		30	available from standard- setter; however our organization or jointly with another IFAC member / associate will complete the "SMO 3: Comparison with IAASB Pronouncements" report and submit it to Compliance Staff No, information is not available	
3.10.	Translation SMO 3			
3.10.1.	Translation of IAASB Pronouncements Are the IAASB pronouncements translated into a national language?	1 ⊙ 2 ○ 3 ○	No as English is the national language or a widely spoken language Yes, the IAASB pronouncements are translated No and English is not an official language or is not widely spoken	
3.11.	Activities to Promote IAASB Pronouncements Please describe the activities your organization undertakes to promote and assist in the implementation of IAASB pronouncements and other IAASB activities.	reprobodi has v	SA implementation group with esentatives of the CCAB es, which includes the ICAI, worked with practitioners from s of all sizes, training providers providers of audit	

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		to pri (UK also Proce In ac num road Artic publ	nodologies for over two years repare for the adoption of ISA and Ireland). The Institute has produced its own audit manual, redures for Quality Audit. Idition there have been erous conferences and shows for practitioners.	
4.	SMO 4			
4.1.	Responsibility and National Ethical Requirements			
4.1.1.	IFAC MB and Ethical Requirements Does your organization establish ethical requirements (e.g. code of ethics, code of conduct, ethics rules, member regulations, etc.) to be complied with by your members?	10	Yes, our organization does establish ethical requirements	However the ICAI adopts the APB Ethical Standards for Auditors which address auditor independence.
	Help text: In some countries, ethical requirements may be established on a regional, provincial, or state basis. Where this is the case in your country for the ethical requirements that apply to your members, please contact Compliance Staff for further instruction.	20	No, our organization does not establish ethical requirements	
4.1.2.	IFAC MB and Convergence with IFAC Code Has your organization implemented	10	Yes	See note in 4.1.1 in relation to

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	convergence with the IFAC Code of Ethics as an objective?	20	No	the role of the Auditing Practices Board.
4.1.9.	IFAC MB Approach to Ethics Which of the following options best describes your organization's activities to incorporate the IFAC Code? For the purposes of the Part 2 SMO 4 module, modifications include:	10	Our organization adopted the IFAC Code as issued without modifications	Until the middle of 2006 the ICAI developed its own ethical Code which complied with the requirements of the IFAC Code.
	Deletion/omission of concepts, principles, or guidance that are established in the IFAC Code; Inclusion of concepts, principles, or guidance that are not in the IFAC Code; Other amendments that give rise to differences between your organization's ethical requirements and the IFAC Code.			From the 1 July a new Code of Ethics comes into effect which adopts the IFAC Code with modifications.
		2O 3 ⊙	Our organization adopted the IFAC Code but with modifications Our organization has developed our own ethical requirements with a process to eliminate differences between our ethical requirements and the IFAC Code	
		40	Code Our organization develops	

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			our own ethical requirements and uses another approach to incorporate the IFAC Code of Ethics	
4.1.10.	IFAC MB and Code - Eliminate Differences Describe the process used to adopt the IFAC Code or the process used to eliminate differences between your organization's ethical requirements and the IFAC Code.	whice from prince How will be verbaguida	resent we use our own Code h does not differ significantly the IFAC Code as it adopts a siples based approach. ever from the 1 July 2006 we be adopting the IFAC Code atim but with additional ance and requirements in in areas.	
4.2.	MB and Version of IFAC Code			
4.2.1.	Version of IFAC Code Which version of the IFAC Code was adopted or used as the basis for your organization's ethical requirements?	1© 2O 3O	The IFAC Code currently in effect, revised and issued in June 2004 A version issued prior to 2004 The revised IFAC Code issued and in effect June 30, 2006	The new Code will be adopted from the 1 July 2006
4.2.3.	MB and Revised Code Does your organization have plans to adopt the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006) or revise your ethical requirements to incorporate the revised IFAC Code? Select	10	Our organization has already amended our ethical requirements for the revised IFAC Code (effective June	

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	the option that is the most relevant.	20	30, 2006) Our organization is in the process of amending or has included a plan to amend our ethical requirements for the revised IFAC Code (effective	
		3O 4O	June 30, 2006) Our organization currently has not included in our work program a plan to amend our ethical requirements for the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006) Other (please describe)	
4.2.5.	MB and Revision Plans Please describe the work program timetable.	The	new Code will be effective the 1 July 2006	
4.3.	Ethical Requirements by Gov / Reg Bodies In addition to the ethical requirements established by your organization, are there also laws or regulations that set out ethical requirements to be complied with by your members?	10	Yes	The Ethical Standards for Auditors issued by the APB and adopted by the ICAI
		20	No	
4.4.	Gov / Reg Bodies and Ethical Requirements			
4.4.1.	Gov/Reg Bodies - Ethical Requirements Where ethical requirements applicable to	1	There is a law / regulation	

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	your members are established in law or regulation, do they include any of the following types of laws and regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.		(e.g. Audit Law, Accountants Law) that sets out ethical requirements to be complied with by all professional accountants	
		2☑	There is a law / regulation that sets out ethical requirements to be complied with by professional accountants who audit listed entities	
		3☑	There is a law / regulation that sets out ethical requirements to be complied with by professional accountants who audit entities other than listed entities	
		4□	There is a law / regulation that sets out ethical requirements to be complied with by professional accountants who provide services to the public (other than as auditors of listed or	
		5□	other entities) There is a law / regulation that sets out ethical requirements for professional accountants employed in	

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		business 6□ None of the above	
4.4.4.	Describe Law / Reg - Audit Regarding your response to question 4.4.1 and professional accountants who audit listed entities and / or other entities, please: State the law / regulation's name; Provide a general description of the law / regulation; Describe how the law / regulation sets out the scope of professional accountants that it applies to.	The ICAI is an Irish and a UK body. In the UK the Companies (AICE) Act 2004 requires registered auditor supervisory bodies (which includes the ICAI) to adopt the Ethical Standards for Auditors issued by the APB. In Ireland the issue of Ethical Standards resides with the professional bodies. However by agreement the Ethical Standards for Auditors issued by the APB applies to auditors registered by the ICAI.	
4.4.7.	Gov/Reg and Convergence Please explain whether your organization has undertaken any activities to promote the IFAC Code of Ethics to the relevant government or regulatory body that sets ethical requirements. Include in your explanation descriptions of any specific activities and the outcome or the reasons why such activities have not been undertaken.	We have lobbied for the APB to adopt s290 of IFAC or at the very least to comply with it.	
4.5.	Comparison of Requirements SMO 4 Does your organization have information	10 Yes, our organization has this	However the new Code

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	that identifies any differences between the IFAC Code of Ethics currently in effect or the revised Code and the national ethical requirements? In responding to this question, differences include:		information and it will be submitted	effective from the 1 July 2006 adopts the IFAC Code verbatum with all pluses clearly identified.
	Principles, concepts, and guidance in the IFAC Code that are not addressed in the national ethical requirements; Principles, concepts, and guidance in the IFAC Code that are not equivalent to the national ethical requirements; Principles, concepts, rules, regulations, laws, or other mandatory ethical requirements in national ethical requirements that are not addressed in the IFAC Code.			
	The phrase "national ethical requirements" as used in this questionnaire refers to the totality of ethical requirements established by your organization and others including government and regulatory bodies that are applicable to your members.			
		20	This information will be submitted by another IFAC member body	
		3 ©	No, the information is not available	
4.6.	Fundamental Principles - National			
4.6.1.	Integrity - Principle			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
4.6.1.1.	Integrity Do the national ethical requirements require professional accountants to comply with the fundamental principle "integrity" as described in the revised IFAC Code?	10	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with the same principle	
		20	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with a similar or equivalent principle	
		30	The same or similar / equivalent principle has not been established	
4.6.1.2.	Integrity Requirement Is the principle set out in your organization's ethical requirements and / or in laws and regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Our organization's ethical requirements	
		2□	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□	Securities regulation	
		4☑	Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.2.	Objectivity - Principle			
4.6.2.1.	Objectivity Do the national ethical requirements require professional accountants to comply with the fundamental principle "objectivity" as described in the revised IFAC Code?	10	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with the same principle	
		20	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with a similar or equivalent principle	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		30	The same or similar / equivalent principle has not been established	
4.6.2.2.	Objectivity Requirement Is the principle set out in your organization's ethical requirements and / or in laws and regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Our organization's ethical requirements	
		2□	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□ 4☑	Securities regulation Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.3.	Professional Competence / Due Care - Principle		Ţ.	
4.6.3.1.	Prof Competence / Due Care Do the national ethical requirements require professional accountants to comply with the fundamental principle "professional competence and due care" as described in the revised IFAC Code?	10	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with the same principle	
	the revised if the code.	20	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with a similar or equivalent principle	
		30	The same or similar / equivalent principle has not been established	
4.6.3.2.	Prof Competence / Due Care Req Is the principle set out in your organization's ethical requirements and / or in laws and	1🗹	Our organization's ethical requirements	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			
	11 1	2□	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□	Securities regulation	
		4□	Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.4.	Confidentiality - Principle			
4.6.4.1.	Confidentiality Do the national ethical requirements require professional accountants to comply with the fundamental principle "confidentiality" as described in the revised IFAC Code?	10	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with the same principle	
		20	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with a similar or equivalent principle	
		30	The same or similar / equivalent principle has not been established	
4.6.4.2.	Confidentiality Requirement Is the principle set out in your organization's ethical requirements and / or in laws and regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Our organization's ethical requirements	
	and all appropriates	2□	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□	Securities regulation	
1 6 1 2		4□	Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.4.3.	Confidentiality - Other			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Please state the term used to describe this principle and how this principle is defined.	Currently described as a duty. Will be shown as a principle in the revised Code effective from the 1 July 2006		
4.6.5.	Professional Behavior - Principle			
4.6.5.1.	Professional Behavior Do the national ethical requirements require professional accountants to comply with the fundamental principle "professional behavior" as described in the revised IFAC Code?	10	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with the same principle	
		20	Yes, professional accountants are required to comply with a similar or equivalent principle	
		30	The same or similar / equivalent principle has not been established	
4.6.5.2.	Professional Behavior Requirement Is the principle set out in your organization's ethical requirements and / or in laws and regulations? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Our organization's ethical requirements	
		2□	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□ 4□	Securities regulation Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.5.3.	Professional Behavior - Other Please state the term used to describe this	Curi	rently described as courtesy but	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	principle and how this principle is defined.	with similar effect. Will be aligned in the revised Code effective on the 1 July 2006		
4.7.	Threats and Safeguards - National			
4.7.1.	Threats and Safeguards Do the national ethical requirements establish a framework or principle similar or equivalent to the threats and safeguards framework as described in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)? Select the answer option that is the most appropriate.	10	Yes, our organization has a threats and safeguards framework or similar / equivalent framework in our ethical requirements	
		20	Yes, a threats and safeguards framework or similar / equivalent framework is in the ethical requirements established in law and / or regulation	
		30	C	
4.7.3.	Threats and Safeguards - Other Please describe the threats and safeguards framework or similar requirement established by your organization or law / regulation.	As I	FAC	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
4.7.4.	Application of Framework SMO 4 Which of the following does the threats and safeguards framework, or similar / equivalent requirement, apply to? Select the answer option that is the most appropriate.	10	All professional accountants	
		20	Only to independence requirements relating to professional accountants in public practice.	
		30	Other	
4.8.	Ethical Behavior Resolution			
4.8.1.	Identifying and Resolving Unethical Behavior Are there specific requirements and guidance provided to assist your members in	1☑	Yes, our organization has developed requirements for identifying and resolving	
	identifying and resolving ethical matters? Select all of the answer option that are appropriate.		ethical matters	
		2□	Yes, government, regulatory, or oversight bodies have developed requirements for identifying and resolving ethical mattes	
		3□	No, there is no such requirements or guidance	
4.8.2.	MB and Ethical Conflict Resolution Are the ethical conflict resolution requirements and guidance adopted from the IFAC Code or similar / equivalent to the	10	Yes, the requirements and guidance are adopted from the IFAC Code	But see earlier comments on revised Code due 1 July 2006

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	guidance in the Code? Select the answer option that is the most appropriate.			
		20	Yes, the IFAC Code was used as a model in developing the requirements	
		3©	Yes, the requirements are similar / equivalent to the IFAC Code	
		40	No, the requirements differ from the IFAC Code	
4.9.	Independence and Threats So Significant			
4.9.1.	Provisions and Threats to Independence The "SMO 4: Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence" report refers to specific provisions of Section 290 of the revised IFAC Code of Ethics that are currently in effect. Section 290 requires members of assurance teams, firms, and when applicable, network firms be independent of assurance clients and describes specific circumstances that may give rise to threats to independence.	1⊙	Our organization will complete the "SMO 4: Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence" report	
	Where Section 290 is applicable to your members, the SMO 4: Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence report should be completed and submitted to Compliance Staff. Alternatively, where this information			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	is available in another format it can be submitted instead of the report. Select the option below to confirm the information to be submitted.			
	Help text: Section 290 of the revised Code of Ethics is currently in effect. Section 290 describes specific provisions that may give rise to threats to independence that are so significant, no safeguards are available to reduce the threat to an acceptable level. For some provisions the Code describes the actions that are available to address the threat.	20	Our members provide assurance services; however, another IFAC member body will complete the "SMO 4; Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence" report or provide the relevant information to Compliance Staff.	
		30	Our members do not provide assurance services; therefore, Section 290 and the Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence is not applicable to our organization.	
4.10.	National Ethical Requirements - Other			
4.10.1.	National - Prof Accountants			
4.10.1.1.	National Additional - Prof Accountants Are there rules, regulations, laws, or other mandatory ethical requirements established by your organization, government, regulatory or other bodies that your members must comply with but are not	10	Yes	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	addressed in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)?			
		20	No	
4.10.1.2.	National Conflicts - Prof Accountants Are there principles, concepts, and guidance in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006) that conflict with national ethical requirements applicable to your requirements?	10	Yes	
	-	20	No	
4.10.1.3.	National Comparison - Prof Accountants Please provide a general description about the additional national ethical requirements or conflicts with the revised IFAC Code. This information may be submitted as a separate document to Compliance Staff.	a nu	have additional requirements in mber of areas most notably orate finance, insolvency and rals of work/agencies.	
4.10.2.	National - Public Practice			
4.10.2.1.	National Additional - Public Practice Are there rules, regulations, laws, or other mandatory ethical requirements established by your organization, government, regulatory or other bodies that are applicable to your members who are professional accountants in public practice that are not addressed in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)?	10	Not applicable as our members do not operate as professional accountants in public practice	
		20	Yes	
		30	No	
4.10.2.2.	National Conflicts - Public Practice			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Are there principles, concepts, and guidance in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006) that conflict with national ethical requirements applicable to your members who are professional accountants in public practice?	10	Not applicable as our members do not operate as professional accountants in public practice	
	practice.	20	Yes	
		3 0	No	
4.10.3.	National - Business		110	
4.10.3.1.	National Additional - Business			
4.10.5.11	Are there rules, regulations, laws, or other mandatory ethical requirements established by your organization, government, regulatory or other bodies that are applicable to your members who are professional accountants in business that are not addressed in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)?	10	Not applicable as our members do not operate as professional accountants employed in business	
	, ,	20	Yes	
		30	No	
4.10.3.2.	National Conflicts - Business Are there principles, concepts, and guidance in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006) that conflict with national ethical requirements applicable to your members who are professional accountants employed in business?	10	Not applicable as our members do not operate as professional accountants employed in business	
		20	Yes	
		3©	No	
4.11.	Translation of IFAC Code			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Has your organization or others (e.g. government or regulatory body) translated the IFAC Code (in effect) or earlier versions of the Code? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1	No, as English is an official language or widely spoken language	
		$2\square$	Yes, our organization has	
			translated the IFAC Code	
		3□	Yes, a government,	
			regulatory, or other body has	
			translated the IFAC Code	
		4□	No, the IFAC Code has not	
			been translated and English is	
			not an official language or	
			widely spoken language	
4.15.	Activities to Promote IFAC Code of Ethics Please describe the activities your organization undertakes to promote and assist in implementing the pronouncements (e.g. IFAC Code of Ethics) and work of IFAC's International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants.	Men down webs Ethic Chair Compron through the n July	provide a digital copy of the abers Handbook which can be alloaded from the Institute site, this includes the Code of es. Mr Richard George the arman of the ICAI Ethics amittee and the IESB actively notes the work of the Board agh articles and presentations. Institute's Ethical Guide plies with the IFAC Code and new Code effective from the 1 2006 clearly shows any ations from the text of the IFAC	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
5.	SMO 5			
5.1.	Public Sector Accounting Standards - Objective			
	Has the federal government / national government established convergence with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) as an objective?	10	Yes	
	Standards (II SI 188) as an objective.	20	No	
		30	Information is not available	
			or not known	
5.2.	IPSASs Convergence Follow Up			
5.2.1.	Public Sector Accounting Standards - Cash/Accrual			
	Do the national public sector accounting standards require financial statements to be prepared on a cash basis or accrual basis?	10	Cash	There are a very small number of specialised individual accounts which are prepared on a cash basis, but the majority of public sector accounts are on an accrual basis.
		20	Accrual	
		3©	Both cash and accrual are permitted	
5.2.2.	Convergence Plans Follow Up SMO 5 Does the government have plans to converge national public sector accounting standards with IPSASs?	10	Yes	
		2 0 3 0	No Information is not available	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
			or not known	
5.4.	Activities to Promote IPSASB Pronouncements Please describe the activities your organization undertakes to promote pronouncements issued by the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board. Please provide an explanation where such activities have not been undertaken because they are not within the scope of your organization's objectives or work program.	Mike of CO	is a memebr of the CCAB, Hawthorn of ICAS on behalf CAB promotes the work ogf SB in a variety of forums.	
6.	SMO 6			
6.1.	Investigation and Discipline Program In your jurisdiction is there a program for investigating and disciplining members of your organization for misconduct, including breaches of professional standards and rules?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
6.3.	Responsibility for Investigation and Discipline			
6.3.1.	Body Responsible for Investigation and Discipline Is your organization responsible for investigation and discipline of misconduct, including breaches of professional standards and rules by its individual members (and, if	10	Yes, our organization has this responsibility	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	local laws and practices permit, by firms)? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.			
	- FFF	20	No, responsibility for investigation and discipline rests solely with an external body	
		3⊙	Our organization shares responsibility for investigation and discipline with an external body	
		40	Other	
6.3.2.	Name of Body Responsible for Investigation and Discipline			
	Provide the name(s) of the external body responsible for investigation and discipline or the name of the body sharing this responsibility with the member body.	Body Und body Accordance has p when usual puble In re- cond Inve	ICAI is an Irish and a UK y. er Irish Law the Irish oversight y, the Irish Auditing and counting Oversight Authority power to investigate cases re it deems it approriate- lly if there is a significant ic interes. elation to cases on UK public tern the Accountancy stigation and Discipline Board authority.	
6.5.	SMO 6 - Detailed Assessment			
6.5.1.	Rules and Procedures for Investigation			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	and Discipline			
6.5.1.1.	Rules and Procedures Does your organization establish in its constitution or rules the provisions and processes for the investigating and disciplining your members?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
6.5.1.3.	Misconduct In your jurisdiction, which of the following are considered "misconduct" as described in SMO 6 paragraph 4? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	12	Criminal activity	
		2☑	Acts or omissions likely to bring the accountancy profession into disrepute	
		3☑	Breaches of professional standards	
		4☑	Breaches of ethical requirements	
		5☑ 6☑	Gross professional negligence A number of less serious instances of professional negligence that, cumulatively, may indicate unfitness to	
		7 ☑ 8□	exercise practicing rights Unsatisfactory work Other (please describe)	
6.5.2.	Types of Sanctions Which of the following actions can be imposed by those who judge such issues:	1☑	Reprimand	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			
	appropriate.	2☑	Loss or restriction of practice rights	
		3☑	Fine/payment of costs	
		4☑	Loss of professional title	
			(designation)	
		5☑	Exclusion from membership	
		6□	Other (please describe)	
6.5.3.	Provision of Information and Guidance to			
	Members			
6.5.3.1.	Information and Guidance			
	Does your organization make each member fully aware of:	10	Yes	
	- All provisions of the ethical code and other applicable professional standards, rules and requirements (and any amendments), whether issued by IFAC or at the national level by the member body and - Consequences of non-compliance?			
		20	No	
6.5.3.2.	Information and Guidance Description Provide a brief description of how your organization meets this requirement of SMO 6.	copy upda to do webs	provide members with a digital of our Handbook which is ated regularly and is available ownload from the Institute site. This includes the Ethical de Disciplinary Bye-laws and	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		to th	r relevant regulations. A Guide e Complaints Process is also lable on the website.	
6.5.4.	Obligations to Report to Outside Bodies			
6.5.4.1.	Reporting to Outside Bodies			
	Is your organization obligated under local laws to report possible involvement in serious crimes and offences by its individual members or member firms to the appropriate public authority and disclose related information to that authority?	10	Yes	In relation to the Proceeds of Crime and certain breaches of the Irish Companies Acts by our members.
	·	20	No	
6.5.5.	Approach to Proceedings What type of approach does your organization use to initiate investigation and discipline proceedings? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Information-based	
	1 11 1	2☑	Complaints-based	
		3□	Other (please describe)	
		4□	None of the above	
6.5.6.	Investigative Powers and Processes			
6.5.6.1.	Powers Does your organization have all required powers so that authorized personnel can carry out an effective investigation?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
6.5.6.3.	Cooperation of Members			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Do the powers to carry out an effective investigation include: Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	A requirement for members (and member firms) to co- operate in the investigation of complaints and to respond promptly to all communications from the member body	In addition under Irish Law the Institute has the power to compel the cooperation of non members.
		2☑	Provision for sanctions in the	
		3□	event of failure to comply None of the above	
6.5.6.6.	Expertise and Resource Does your organization maintain appropriate expertise and adequate financial and other resources to enable timely investigative and disciplinary action?	1⊙	Yes (please describe)	The Professional Conduct section of the Professional Standards Department has 4 full time equivalent staff working on complaints and discipline. In addition the ICAI employs a team of inspectors who can be called upon to assist in an investigation.
		20	No	
6.5.6.8.	Independence and Subject of Investigation Does your organization in all cases, confirm at the start of the investigation that any individual chosen to assist in an investigation is independent from (a) the subject of the investigation, and (b) anyone connected with or interested in the matter investigated?	10	Yes	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Help text: If a conflict exists at the start of an investigation, or arises during the investigation, the chosen individual should immediately withdraw. Similar considerations apply equally to anyone else connected with the investigation and hearing of cases.	20	No	
6.5.6.10.	Infrastructure Which of the following best describes your organization's investigation and discipline infrastructure? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1 ⊙ 2 ○	One committee/panel to investigate the complaint and a separate committee/tribunal to administer disciplinary action A single committee/panel to conduct the investigation and administer disciplinary action. Other	The Complaints Committee can impose a disciplinary order with the consent of the member or firm.
6.5.6.12.	Independent Review Has your organization established and does it maintain a process for the independent review of complaints by clients and others where it has been decided by the investigation committee that the matter will not be referred to a disciplinary hearing?	10	Yes	This is available only in cases were the finding is one of no prima facie case.
657	TI D I. D	20	No	
6.5.7.1	The Disciplinary Process			
6.5.7.1.	Composition of Tribunal			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Does the tribunal responsible for the disciplinary hearing contain a balance of professional expertise and outside judgment (e.g., composed of accountants and non-accountants)?	10	Yes (please describe)	The tribunal consists of three members only one of whom is an accountant. The tribunal is chaired by a solicitor or barrister.
		20	No	
6.5.7.3.	Conflicts Are members of the investigation committee or the disciplinary tribunal permitted to serve on both at the same time, or in relation to the same case?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
6.5.7.5.	Independence of Tribunal Briefly describe how the disciplinary tribunal exhibits independence.	No member of any other Institute committee including the Council of the Institute may be on the Disciplinary Committee.		
6.5.7.6.	Appeals Process			
	Does your organization's rules: Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑ 2☑	Permit a qualified lawyer or other person chosen by the defendant to accompany and represent the defendant at all disciplinary hearings and to advise him or her throughout the investigative and disciplinary process Permit the defendant to appeal the conviction and any	

		Answer	Comments
	3☑	imposed sanction Permit any order made against the defendant to be suspended by the tribunal that	
	. —	convicted the defendant, pending the hearing of that appeal	
	4⊻	from including a prosecutor or a member of the first	
		individual who was concerned with the original conviction	
	5⊠	procedures apply to the appeal process as apply to	
	6□	disciplinary tribunal	
Administrative Processes			
Elements of Administrative Processes As a part of Investigation and Discipline administrative processes does your organization:	1☑	Establish time limits for disposal (completion) of all cases	Whilst we develop time limits for the administration of cases we do not, and believe it would undesirable to, set
Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	2☑	Maintain and operate tracking	time limits for the closure of a case.
	Elements of Administrative Processes As a part of Investigation and Discipline administrative processes does your organization: Select all the answer options that are	Administrative Processes Elements of Administrative Processes As a part of Investigation and Discipline administrative processes does your organization: Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	pending the hearing of that appeal 4☑ Prohibit the appeal tribunal from including a prosecutor or a member of the first tribunal, or any other individual who was concerned with the original conviction 5☑ Require that the same procedures apply to the appeal process as apply to hearings before the disciplinary tribunal 6□ None of the above Administrative Processes As a part of Investigation and Discipline administrative processes does your organization: Select all the answer options that are appropriate.

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			investigations and	
			prosecutions are promptly	
			handled, and that all	
			necessary action is taken at	
			the appropriate stage	
		3☑	Maintain a procedure	
			requiring (a) notification to	
			all persons employed or	
			otherwise participating in the	
			investigative and disciplinary	
			processes (or having access to	
			information concerning such	
			processes) of the importance	
			of maintaining	
			confidentiality, and (b) a	
			binding agreement to	
		. —	maintain that confidentiality	
		4☑	Maintain secure and	
			confidential facilities for the	
			storage of case papers and	
		_	other evidence	
		5☑	Maintain records of all	
			investigation and disciplinary	
			proceedings	
		6□	None of the above	
6.5.8.3.	Case Numbers			
6.5.8.3.1.	2005 Heard Case Numbers			
	Indicate the number of cases heard in 2005.	22		
6.5.8.3.2.	2004 Heard Case Numbers			

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Indicate the number of cases heard in 2004.	34		
6.5.8.3.3.	2003 Heard Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases heard in 2003.	24		
6.5.8.3.4.	2005 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2005.	82		
6.5.8.3.5.	2004 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2004.	97		
6.5.8.3.6.	2003 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2003.	105		
6.5.8.3.7.	Average time required for disposal of cases Indicate the average time (in months) required for the disposal (completion) of a case. This number should include both the time spent on (a) the investigation of the complaints and (b) the disciplinary proceedings.	8		
7.	SMO 7			
7.1.	Accounting Standards in Law/Regulation Does law or regulation establish the set of accounting standards to be used for preparation of financial statements of private	1☑	Yes, for financial statements of listed entities	Irish law permits non listed entities to use IFRS or the Standards issued by the UK

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	sector listed entities and non-listed entities? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			ASB and promulgated in Ireland by the ICAI.
	Where the law / regulation establishes the accounting standards to be used by reference to the set of standards to be used by their name or by including the text of the standards in the law / regulation, please respond "yes" to this question. Section 7.8. of this module includes questions about the law / regulation.			IFRS are mandatory for listed companies in respect of their consolidated accounts only. The have the option of preparing their individual accounts under IFRS or UK/Irish GAAP.
	Where the law / regulation gives authority to a national standard-setter to establish the accounting standards, please respond "no". Section 7.2. of this module includes questions about the standard-setter and the accounting standards that are established.			
		$2\square$	Yes, for financial statements	
		۰.	of non-listed entities	
		3□	No, for financial statements of listed entities	
		4	No, for financial statements of non-listed entities	
7.2.	Responsibility for Private Sector Accounting Standards			
7.2.4.	Standard-Setter - Non-Listed SMO 7 Who has the authority establishing the accounting standards for non-listed entities?	10	Our organization	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		2O 3O	Another IFAC member body Joint process between our organization and another	
		40	IFAC member body Another organization	
7.2.5.	Non-Listed Entities - Other SMO 7 State the organization's name that is responsible for establishing accounting standards for non-listed entities.		Accounting Standrds Board	
7.7.	Other Organization Standard-Setter SMO 7			
7.7.3.	Non-Listed Entity Standard-Setter SMO 7 For non-listed entities, has the standard-setter established convergence of national accounting standards with IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Standard-setter's convergence objectives are not known	
	1 11 1	20	Standard-setter has established convergence as a formal objective	
		30	Standard-setter has not established convergence as a formal objective	
7.7.4.	Convergence Established - Standard- Setter SMO 7			
7.7.4.1.	Standard-Setter Amendments SMO 7 Has the standard-setter issued information that describes differences between the IFRSs, other IASB pronouncements and	10	Yes	The ASB has published a number of convergence standards which highlight any

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	national standards including:			differences with the corresponding IAS/IFRS. A
	IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements in effect as at September 30, 2005 that have been adopted or compared with a similar or equivalent national standard or pronouncement; The effective date of national standard or pronouncement where it differs from the IFRS or other IASB pronouncement; The differences between the IFRS or other IASB pronouncement and the similar or equivalent national standard and pronouncement; and The reasons for the differences?			detailed timetable for convergence is also published on the ASB website, this is currently under active review and a revised timetable is expected shortly. In addition the ICAI has prepared a comparison with UK/Irish GAAP and IAS for members.
	The reasons for the differences:	20	No	
7.7.4.2.	Submit Information - Standard-Setter SMO 7			
	If the standard-setter has issued information about differences between IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements and the national standards and it is available in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to Compliance Staff.	10	Yes, information is available for standard-setter and in English and will be submitted to Compliance Staff	The information is available from the ASB (see www.frc.co.uk/ASB)
	If this information is not available, refer to the <a href="SMO 7 Comparison with IASB
Pronouncements.doc">SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements report by			

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	clicking on the link and complete it to the extent your organization is able to and submit it in Word format to Compliance Staff.			
	Indicate whether your organization will be submitting available information or the "SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements" report.			
	Tronouncements report.	2O 3O	No, information is not available from standard-setter; however our organization or jointly with another IFAC member / associate will complete the "SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements" and submit it to Compliance Staff No, information is not available	
7.8.	Law/Reg and Accounting Standards		W r will we let	
7.8.3.	Accounting Standards for Listed Does the law/regulation require the use of International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board for preparation of financial statements of listed entities? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	The law/regulation simply refers to International Financial Reporting Standards as the accounting standards (without bringing in the full or partial text of individual IFRSs) For listed entities, the	

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			law/regulation contains the full text of each IFRS	
		30	For listed entities, the	
			law/regulation contains the	
			main principles of the IFRSs	
		40	For listed entities, the law /	
			regulation has a requirement	
			to use IFRSs using another	
			approach (please describe)	
		50	For listed entities, the law /	
			regulation requires the use of	
			national standards with no	
			reference to IFRSs	
7.8.9.	MB Responsibilities and IASB SMO 7 Does your organization have responsibility for any of the following activities? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1	Develop other authoritative pronouncements	The standards are developed by the ASB (the approved standard setter) and are promulgated in Ireland by the ICAI.
		2□ 3☑ 4□	Promulgate the IFRSs established by law / regulation (e.g. by publishing or communicating the standards to the public) Other (please describe) None of the above	
7.8.11.	Describe Activities and Law/Reg SMO 7	<u> </u>	Tione of the doore	
7.0.11.	Describe your organization's activities for promulgating and / or implementing the standards.	We formally adopt the ASB standards as suitable for Ireland.		

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7.9.	Law/Reg and IASB Pronouncements			
7.9.1.	Incorporation into Law/Reg SMO 7 Is information publicly available about IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements that have been established into law/regulation,	10	Yes	The applicability of IASB standrds and interpretations is determined by European
	including: IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements that have been established into law / regulation; Whether the IFRS or IASB pronouncement established into law / regulation is the version in effect as at September 30, 2005; The effective date set by law / regulation where it differs from the IFRS or IASB pronouncement; The differences between IFRSs and IASB pronouncements and what was established into law / regulation; and The reasons for the differences?			Law. Information on the endorsement status of each IASB pronouncement is available on the EU website.
	The reasons for the differences:	20	No	
7.9.2.	Incorporation Description - Law/Reg SMO 7			
	If the information about the status of IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements that have been established into law is available in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to Compliance Staff.	10	Yes, information is available and in English and will be submitted to Compliance Staff	See 7.9.1

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	If this information is not available, complete the SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements report and submit it in Word format to Compliance Staff.			
	Indicate whether your organization will be submitting available information or the "SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements" report.			
		20	No, information is not available; however our organization or jointly with another IFAC member / associate will complete the "SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements" and submit it to Compliance Staff	
		3©	No, information is not available	
7.10.	Translation SMO 7			
7.10.1.	Translation of IFRSs			
	Are the IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements translated into national language?	10	No, as English is an official language or widely spoken language	
		2O 3O	Yes, the IFRSs are translated No and English is not an official language or is not widely spoken	

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7.11.	Promotion Activities SMO 7 Please describe the activities your organization undertakes to promote and assist in the implementation of IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements and activities.	Information is included on a dedicated IAS web page on the Institutes website (www.icai .ie). Information is also transmitted to members through weekly enews and a bi monthly Professional Update.		
8.	Certification of Chief Executive			
8.1.	Complete Certification Once all required questions have been completed, the Certification of Chief Executive should be signed and submitted to Compliance Staff. Click A href="Part 2">A href	1☑	Yes, the Certification of Chief Executive has been submitted	
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