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IMPROVEMENTS TO IPSAS

Objective

1. The objective of *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019 is to make improvements to IPSAS in order to address issues raised by stakeholders.

IPSAS Addressed

2. *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019* deals with non-substantive changes to IPSAS through a collection of amendments which are unrelated. Amendments included in *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019* arise from comments received from stakeholders.

Improvements to IPSAS

IPSAS	Summary of Changes
Amendments to Other IPSAS resulting from IPSAS	41, Financial Instruments
IPSAS 5, Borrowing Costs.	Amendments to IPSAS 5, to update the guidance related to the components of borrowing costs which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued (see Part 1a).
IPSAS 30, Financial Instruments: Disclosures.	Amendments to IPSAS 30, regarding illustrative examples on hedging and credit risk which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued (see Part 1b).
IPSAS 30, Financial Instruments: Disclosures.	Amendments to IPSAS 30, to update the guidance for accounting for financial guarantee contracts which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued (see Part 1c).
IPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs).	Amendments to IPSAS 33, to update the guidance on classifying financial instruments on initial adoption of accrual basis IPSAS which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued (see Part 1d).

IMPROVEMENTS TO IPSAS, 2019

IPSAS	Summary of Changes
Other Improvements to IPSAS	
IPSAS 13, Leases.	Amendments to IPSAS 13, to include the appropriate references to IPSAS on impairment, in place of the current references to other international and/or national accounting frameworks (see Part 2).
IPSAS 13, Leases and IPSAS 17, Property, Plant, and Equipment.	Amendments to remove transitional provisions which should have been deleted when IPSAS 33, First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) was approved (see Part 3a and Part 3b).
IPSAS 21, Impairment of Non-Cash-Generating Assets and IPSAS 26, Impairment of Cash- Generating Assets.	Amendments to ensure consistency of impairment guidance to account for revalued assets in the scope of IPSAS 17, <i>Property, Plant, and Equipment</i> and IPSAS 31, <i>Intangible Assets</i> (see Part 4a and Part 4b).
IPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs).	Amendments to the implementation guidance on deemed cost in IPSAS 33 to make it consistent with the core principles in the Standard (see Part 5).
IPSAS 40, Public Sector Combinations.	Amendments to include the effective date paragraph which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 40 was issued (see Part 6).

Amendment: Part 1a

Amendments to IPSAS 5, Borrowing Costs

Paragraph 6 is amended and paragraph 42E is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Definitions

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Borrowing Costs

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- 6. Borrowing costs may include:
 - (a) Interest on bank overdrafts and short-term and long-term borrowings Interest expense calculated using the effective interest method as described in IPSAS 41, Financial Instruments;
 - (b) Amortization of discounts or premiums relating to borrowings; [Deleted]
 - (c) Amortization of ancillary costs incurred in connection with the arrangement of borrowings; [Deleted]
 - (d) Finance charges in respect of finance leases and service concession arrangements; and
 - (e) Exchange differences arising from foreign currency borrowings, to the extent that they are regarded as an adjustment to interest costs.

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Effective Date

42E. Paragraph 6 was amended by *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply this amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies this amendment for a period beginning before January 1, 2022, it shall disclose that fact and apply IPSAS 41 at the same time.

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Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 5 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC2. The amendments to paragraph 6 update the guidance related to the components of borrowing costs resulting from IPSAS 41, *Financial Instruments* which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued. The IPSASB agreed to include these minor amendments in *Improvements* to IPSAS, 2019.

Amendment: Part 1b

Amendments to IPSAS 30, Financial Instruments: Disclosures

Paragraphs IG13A-IG13C and IG22A-IG22D are added. Paragraph IG23 is amended. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Implementation Guidance

This guidance accompanies, but is not part of, IPSAS 30.

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Hedge Accounting (paragraphs 28A-28C)

IG13A. Paragraph 28A of IPSAS 30 requires that an entity discloses amounts related to items designated as hedging instruments in a tabular format. The following example illustrates how that information might be disclosed.

	Nominal amount of the hedging	the h	amount of edging ument	Line item in the statement of financial position where the	Changes in fair value used for calculating hedge ineffectiveness
	instrument	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	hedging instrument is located	<u>for 20X1</u>
Cash flow hedges					
Commodity price risk - Forward sales					
contracts	xx	XX	<u>xx</u>	Line item XX	XX
Fair value hedges					
Interest rate risk - Interest rate swaps	<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>	Line item XX	xx
Foreign exchange risk - Foreign currency loan	xx	<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>	Line item XX	xx

IG13B. Paragraph 28B of IPSAS 30 requires that an entity discloses amounts related to items designated as hedged items in a tabular format. The following example illustrates how that information might be disclosed.

		amount of lged item	amount of hedge a on the hedge included	mulated of fair value djustments edged item led in the l amount of	Line item in the statement of financial position in which the	Change in value used for calculating hedge ineffectiveness for	Cash flow hedge reserve
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>hedged</u> <u>item is</u> <u>included</u>	<u>20X1</u>	
Cash flow hedges							
Commodity price risk							
- Forecast sales - Discontinued hedges (forecast	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>xx</u>	<u>xx</u>
sales)	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	xx
Fair value hedges							
Interest rate risk - Loan payable - Discontinued hedges (Loan	=	<u>xx</u>	=	<u>xx</u>	<u>Line</u> item XX	<u>xx</u>	<u>n/a</u>
payable)	=	xx	<u> </u>	XX	<u>Line</u> <u>item XX</u>	<u>n/a</u>	n/a
Foreign exchange risk - Firm commitment	XX	xx	xx	<u>xx</u>	Line item XX	<u>xx</u>	n/a

IG13C. Paragraph 28C of IPSAS 30 requires that an entity disclose amounts that have affected the statement of financial performance as a result of applying hedge accounting in a tabular format. The following example illustrates how that information might be disclosed.

Cash flow hedges ^(a)	Separate line item recognized in surplus or deficit as a result of a hedge of a net position(b)	Change in the value of the hedging instrument recognized in net assets/equity	Hedge ineffective ness recognized in surplus or deficit	Line item in surplus or deficit (that includes hedge ineffectiveness)	Amount reclassified from the cash flow hedge reserve to surplus or deficit	Line item affected in surplus or deficit because of the reclassifi cation
Commodity price risk Commodity X - Discontinued hedge	<u>n/a</u> <u>n/a</u>	<u>xx</u> <u>n/a</u>	<u>xx</u> <u>n/a</u>	Line item XX n/a	xx xx	Line item XX Line item XX

⁽a) The information disclosed in the statement of changes in net assets/equity (cash flow hedge reserve) should have the same level of detail as these disclosures.

⁽b) This disclosure only applies to cash flow hedges of foreign currency risk.

Fair value hedges	Ineffectiveness recognized in surplus or deficit	Line item(s) in surplus or deficit (that include(s) hedge ineffectiveness)
Interest rate risk	xx	Line item XX
Foreign exchange risk	xx	Line item XX

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Credit Risk (paragraphs 42A-43, AG8A-AG10)

IG22A. The following examples illustrate possible ways in which an entity might provide the disclosures required by paragraphs 42A–42N of IPSAS 30. However, these illustrations do not address all possible ways of applying the disclosure requirements.

Illustrating the Application of Paragraphs 42H and 42I

IG22B. The following example illustrates one way of providing information about the changes in the loss allowance and the significant changes in the gross carrying amount of financial assets during the period that contributed to changes in the loss allowance as required by paragraphs 42H–42I. This example does not illustrate the requirements for financial assets that are purchased or originated credit-impaired.

Mortgage loans-loss allowance	12-month expected credit losses	Lifetime expected credit losses (collectively assessed)	Lifetime expected credit losses (individually assessed)	Credit- impaired financial assets (lifetime expected credit losses)
<u>CU'000</u>				
Loss allowance as at January 1	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>
Changes due to financial instruments recognized as at January 1:				
- Transfer to lifetime expected credit losses	<u>(X)</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	=
- Transfer to credit-impaired financial assets	<u>(X)</u>	=	<u>(X)</u>	<u>X</u>
- Transfer to 12-month expected credit losses	<u>X</u>	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>	Ξ
 Financial assets that have been derecognized during the period 	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>
New financial assets originated or purchased	<u>X</u>	=	=	=
Write-offs	=	=	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>
Changes in models/risk parameters	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Foreign exchange and other movements	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Loss allowance as at December 31	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>x</u>

Significant changes in the gross carrying amount of mortgage loans that contributed to changes in the loss allowance were:

- The acquisition of Region Y's prime mortgage portfolio increased the residential mortgage book by x percent, with a corresponding increase in the loss allowance measured on a 12-month basis.
- The write off of the CUXX Region Z's mortgage portfolio following the collapse of the local market in the region reduced the loss allowance for financial assets with objective evidence of impairment by CUX.
- The expected increase in unemployment in Region X caused a net increase in financial assets whose loss allowance is equal to lifetime expected credit losses and caused a net increase of CUX in the lifetime expected credit losses allowance.

The significant changes in the gross carrying amount of mortgage loans are further explained below:

Mortgage loans-gross carrying amount	12-month expected credit losses	Lifetime expected credit losses (collectively assessed)	Lifetime expected credit losses (individually assessed)	Credit- impaired financial assets (lifetime expected credit losses)
<u>CU'000</u>				
Gross carrying amount as at January 1	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>
Individual financial assets transferred to lifetime expected credit losses	<u>(X)</u>	=	<u>X</u>	=
Individual financial assets transferred to credit- impaired financial assets	<u>(X)</u>	=	<u>(X)</u>	<u>X</u>
Individual financial assets transferred from credit- impaired financial assets	<u>X</u>	=	<u>X</u>	<u>(X)</u>
Financial assets assessed on collective basis	<u>(X)</u>	<u>X</u>	=	=
New financial assets originated or purchased	<u>X</u>	=	=	=
Write-offs	=	=	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>
Financial assets that have been derecognized	<u>(X)</u>	(X)	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>
Changes due to modifications that did not result in derecognition	<u>(X)</u>	=	<u>(X)</u>	<u>(X)</u>
Other changes	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Gross carrying amount as at December 31	<u>X</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>

Illustrating the Application of Paragraphs 42M and 42N

IG22C. The following example illustrates some ways of providing information about an entity's credit risk exposure and significant credit risk concentrations in accordance with paragraph 42M of IPSAS 30. The number of grades used to disclose the information in accordance with paragraph 42M of IPSAS 30 shall be consistent with the number that the entity uses to report internally to key management personnel for internal credit risk management purposes. However, if information about credit risk rating grades is not available without undue cost or effort and an entity uses past due information to assess whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition in accordance with paragraph 83 of IPSAS 41, the entity shall provide an analysis by past due status for those financial assets.

Loan credit risk exposure by internal rating grades					
20XX	<u>Mortga</u>	ge Loans	<u>Agricultu</u>	re Loans	
CU'000	Gross carr	ying amount	Gross carrying amount		
	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month	
Internal Grade 1–2	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
Internal Grade 3-4	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
Internal Grade 5–6	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
Internal Grade 7	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
Total	<u>X</u>	X	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	

Loan credit risk profile by external rating grades						
<u>20XX</u>	Mortgage Loans Agriculture Loans					
<u>CU'000</u>	Gross carry	ying amount	Gross carry	ing amount		
	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month		
AAA-AA	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>A</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
BBB-BB	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>B</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
CCC-CC	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>C</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>D</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>Total</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>		

Loan risk profile by probability of default						
20XX	Mortgag	Mortgage Loans Agriculture Loans				
<u>CU'000</u>	Gross carry	<u>/ing amount</u>	Gross carry	ing amount		
	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month	<u>Lifetime</u>	12-month		
<u>0.00 – 0.10</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>×</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>0.11 – 0.40</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>0.41 – 1.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>1.01 – 3.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
3.01 – 6.00	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>6.01 – 11.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>11.01 – 17.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>17.01 – 25.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>25.01 – 50.00</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>50.01+</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
<u>Total</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>		

IG22D. The Department of Agriculture provides short-term financing to both small-scale and large-scale farmers. The purpose of the financing is to purchase inputs such as fertilizers, seeds and pesticides. The Department of Agriculture discloses its small-scale farmers financing and large-scale farmers financing as separate classes of financial instruments and applies the simplified approach to its trade receivables so that the loss allowance is always measured at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses. The following table illustrates the use of a provision matrix as a risk profile disclosure under the simplified approach:

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20XX CU'000	Trade receivables days past due				
Small-scale farmers financing	Current	More than 30 days	More than 60 days	More than 90 days	<u>Total</u>
Expected credit loss rate	<u>0.10%</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>13%</u>	
Estimated total gross carrying amount at default	CU20,777	<u>CU1,416</u>	<u>CU673</u>	<u>CU235</u>	<u>CU23,101</u>
Lifetime expected credit losses—small-scale farmers financing	<u>CU21</u>	<u>CU28</u>	<u>CU34</u>	<u>CU31</u>	<u>CU114</u>
Large-scale farmers financing					
Expected credit loss rate	0.20%	<u>3%</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>15%</u>	
Estimated total gross carrying amount at default	CU19,222	<u>CU2,010</u>	<u>CU301</u>	<u>CU154</u>	<u>CU21,687</u>
Lifetime expected credit losses— large-scale farmers financing	<u>CU38</u>	<u>CU60</u>	<u>CU24</u>	<u>CU23</u>	<u>CU145</u>

IG23. Paragraph 43 requires an entity to disclose information about its exposure to credit risk by class of financial instrument. Financial instruments in the same class share economic characteristics with respect to the risk being disclosed (in this case, credit risk). For example, an entity might determine that residential mortgages, unsecured consumer agricultural loans and commercial research and development loans each have different economic characteristics.

Amendment: Part 1c

Amendments to IPSAS 30, Financial Instruments: Disclosures

Paragraph AG5 is amended and paragraph 52G is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Application Guidance

This Appendix is an integral part of IPSAS 30.

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Significance of Financial Instruments for Financial Position and Financial Performance

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Other Disclosure-Accounting Policies (paragraph 25)

AG5. Paragraph 25 requires disclosure of the measurement basis (or bases) used in preparing the financial statements and the other accounting policies used that are relevant to an understanding of the financial statements. For financial instruments, such disclosure may include:

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(h) For financial guarantee contracts issued through a non-exchange transaction, where no fair value can be determined and <u>on initial recognition the financial guarantee contract is measured at the amount of the loss allowance in accordance with paragraph AG136 of IPSAS 41, a provision is recognized in accordance with IPSAS 19, Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets, disclosure of the circumstances that result in <u>fair value not being determinable a provision being recognized</u>.</u>

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Effective Date

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52G. Paragraph AG5 was amended by *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019*, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply this amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies this amendment for a period beginning before January 1, 2022, it shall disclose that fact and apply IPSAS 41 at the same time.

Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 30 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC7. The amendments to paragraph AG5 update the guidance on accounting for financial guarantee contracts resulting from IPSAS 41, *Financial Instruments* which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued. The IPSASB agreed to include these minor amendments in *Improvements* to IPSAS, 2019.

Amendment: Part 1d

Amendments to IPSAS 33, First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs)

Paragraph 113 is amended, paragraphs 113A and 154H are added and paragraph 114 is deleted. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Exemptions that Do Not Affect Fair Presentation and Compliance with Accrual Basis IPSASs During the Period of Adoption

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IPSAS 41, Financial Instruments

Designation of Financial Instruments on the Date of Adoption of IPSAS or During the Period of Transition

- 113. A first-time adopter may designate a financial asset or financial liability as a financial asset or financial liability at fair value through surplus or deficit that meet the criteria for designation in IPSAS 41, in accordance with paragraph 414113A. A first-time adopter shall disclose the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities designated into each category at the date of designation, their classification and carrying amount.
- 113A. IPSAS 41 permits a financial asset or financial liability to be designated on initial recognition (provided it meets certain criteria) as a financial asset or financial liability as at fair value though surplus or deficit. Despite this requirement, an exception applies when a first-time adopter is permitted to designate, at the date of adoption of IPSASs, any financial asset or financial liability as at fair value through surplus or deficit provided the asset meets the criteria in paragraph 44 of IPSAS 41 or liability meets the criteria in paragraph 46 of IPSAS 41 at that date.
- 114. IPSAS 29 permits a financial asset to be designated on initial recognition as available for sale or a financial instrument (provide it meets certain criteria) to be designated as a financial asset or financial liability at fair value though surplus or deficit. Despite this requirement, exceptions apply in the following circumstances:
 - (a) A first-time adopter is permitted to make an available-for-sale designation at the date of adoption of IPSASs.
 - (b) A first-time adopter is permitted to designate, at the date of adoption of IPSASs, any financial asset or financial liability as at fair value through surplus or deficit provided the asset or liability meets the criteria in paragraph 10(b)(i), 10(b)(ii) or 13 of IPSAS 29 at that date. [Deleted]

Effective Date

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154H. Paragraph 113 was amended, paragraph 113A was added and paragraph 114 was deleted by Improvements to IPSAS, 2019, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply these amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies these amendments for a period beginning before January 1, 2022, it shall disclose that fact and apply IPSAS 41 at the same time.

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Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 33 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC119. The amendments to paragraphs 113, 113A and 114 update the guidance on classifying financial instruments on initial adoption of accrual basis IPSAS resulting from IPSAS 41, Financial Instruments which were inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 41 was issued. The IPSASB agreed to include these minor amendments in Improvements to IPSAS, 2019.

Amendment: Part 2

Amendments to IPSAS 13, Leases

Paragraphs 67 and 76 are amended and paragraph 85E is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Leases in the Financial Statements of Lessors

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Operating Leases

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67. To determine whether a leased asset has become impaired, an entity applies relevant impairment tests in-international and/or national accounting standards accordance with IPSAS 21, Impairment of Non-Cash-Generating Assets or IPSAS 26, Impairment of Cash-Generating Assets, where appropriate.

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Sale and Leaseback Transactions

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76. For finance leases, no such adjustment is necessary unless (a) there has been an impairment in value, and (b) that impairment is required to be recognized by any international and/or national accounting standard on impairment that has been adopted by the entity in accordance with IPSAS 21 or IPSAS 26, where appropriate.

Effective Date

85E. Paragraphs 67 and 76 were amended by *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019*, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply these amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

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Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 13 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC9. Stakeholders noted that the impairment requirements should reference relevant IPSAS rather than other international and/or national accounting standards. The IPSASB agreed to amend paragraphs 67 and 76 to include references to IPSAS 21, *Impairment of Non-Cash-Generating Assets* and IPSAS 26, *Impairment of Cash-Generating Assets* in *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019.

Amendment: Part 3a

Amendments to IPSAS 13, Leases

Paragraph 84 is deleted and paragraph 85F is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Transitional Provisions

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84. Transitional provisions in IPSAS 13 (2001) provide entities with a period of up to five years to recognize all leases from the date of its first application. Entities that have previously applied IPSAS 13 (2001) may continue to take advantage of this five-year transitional period from the date of first application of IPSAS 13 (2001). [Deleted]

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Effective Date

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85F. Paragraph 84 was deleted by *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019*, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply this amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

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Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 13 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC10. Paragraph 84 includes transitional provisions for entities to recognize leases over a period of five years. These transitional provisions have been deleted as a result of the issuance of IPSAS 33, First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs).

Amendment: Part 3b

Amendments to IPSAS 17, Property, Plant, and Equipment

Paragraph 5 is amended, paragraph 106 is deleted and paragraph 107P is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Scope

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- 5. This standard applies to property, plant, and equipment including:
 - (a) Weapons systems;
 - (b) Infrastructure assets; and
 - (c) Service concession arrangement assets after initial recognition and measurement in accordance with IPSAS 32, Service Concession Arrangements: Grantor.

The transitional provisions in paragraphs 95 to 104 provide relief from the requirement to recognize all property, plant, and equipment during the five-year transitional period.

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Transitional Provisions

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106. Transitional provisions in IPSAS 17 (2001) provide entities with a period of up to five years to recognize all property, plant, and equipment and make the associated measurement and disclosure from the date of its first application. Entities that have previously applied IPSAS 17 (2001) may continue to take advantage of this five-year transitional period from the date of first application of IPSAS 17 (2001). These entities shall also continue to make disclosures required by paragraph 104. [Deleted]

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Effective Date

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107P. Paragraph 5 was amended and paragraph 106 was deleted by *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply these amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 17 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC15. Paragraphs 5 and 106 include transitional provisions for entities to recognize property, plant, and equipment over a period of five years. These transitional provisions have been deleted as a result of the issuance of IPSAS 33, First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs).

Amendment: Part 4a

Amendments to IPSAS 21, Impairment of Non-Cash-Generating Assets

Paragraphs 54A and 69A are amended and paragraph 82J is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Recognizing and Measuring an Impairment Loss

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54A. An impairment loss on a non-revalued asset is recognized in surplus or deficit. However, an impairment loss on a revalued asset is recognized in revaluation surplus to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>. Such an impairment loss on a revalued asset reduces the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>.

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Reversing an Impairment Loss

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69A. A reversal of an impairment loss on a revalued asset is recognized directly in the revaluation reserve and increases the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>. However, to the extent that an impairment loss on the same <u>individual revalued asset or class of revalued assets was previously recognized in surplus or deficit, a reversal of that impairment loss is also recognized in surplus or deficit <u>in accordance with IPSAS 31 or IPSAS 17</u>.</u>

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Effective Date

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82J. Paragraphs 54A and 69A were amended by *Improvements to IPSAS, 2019*, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply these amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 21 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC27. The reference to "class of assets" in paragraphs 54A and 69A created the impression that the guidance only applied to revalued assets in the scope of IPSAS 17, *Property, Plant and Equipment*. Stakeholders raised concerns that revalued intangible assets were excluded from its application. Consequently, the IPSASB agreed to clarify that the paragraphs apply to individual assets in the scope of IPSAS 31 and class of assets in the scope of IPSAS 17.

Amendment: Part 4b

Amendments to IPSAS 26, Impairment of Cash-Generating Assets

Paragraphs 73A and 108A are amended and paragraph 126L is added. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Recognizing and Measuring an Impairment Loss

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73A. An impairment loss on a non-revalued asset is recognized in surplus or deficit. However, an impairment loss on a revalued asset is recognized in revaluation surplus to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>. Such an impairment loss on a revalued asset reduces the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>.

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Reversing an Impairment Loss

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Reversing an Impairment Loss for an Individual Asset or Class of Asset

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108A. A reversal of an impairment loss on a revalued asset is recognized directly in the revaluation reserve and increases the revaluation surplus for that <u>individual asset in accordance with IPSAS 31 or class of assets in accordance with IPSAS 17</u>. However, to the extent that an impairment loss on the same <u>individual revalued asset or class of revalued assets was previously recognized in surplus or deficit</u>, a reversal of that impairment loss is also recognized in surplus or deficit <u>in accordance with IPSAS 31 or IPSAS 17</u>.

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Effective Date

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126L. Paragraphs 73A and 108A were amended by *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply these amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 26 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC21. The reference to "class of assets" in paragraphs 73A and 108A created the impression that the guidance only applied to revalued assets in the scope of IPSAS 17. Stakeholders raised concerns that revalued intangible assets were excluded from its application. Consequently, the IPSASB agreed to clarify that the paragraphs apply to individual assets in the scope of IPSAS 31, Intangible Assets and class of assets in the scope of IPSAS 17.

Amendment: Part 5

Amendments to IPSAS 33, First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs)

Paragraph IG39 is amended. New text is underlined and deleted text is struck through.

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Implementation Guidance

This guidance accompanies, but is not part of, IPSAS 33.

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Deemed Cost

- IG39. IPSAS 33 allows a first-time adopter to determine a deemed cost as a substitute for acquisition cost or depreciated cost at the date of adoption of IPSASs, where a first-time adopter takes advantage of the exemption that provides a three year transitional relief period to not recognize and/or measure certain assets and/or liabilities. A deemed cost may however only be determined if no cost information is available about the historical cost of the asset and/or liability. When a first-time adopter initially measures these assets and/or liabilities on the date of adoption of IPSASs, or when the transitional exemptions that provided the first-time adopter with a three year relief period to not recognize and/or measure certain assets and/or liabilities have expired, it recognizes the effectedirectly in accumulated surplus or deficit in the opening statement of financial position in the period in which the deemed cost is determined.÷
 - (a) As an adjustment to the opening balance of accumulated surplus or deficit in the opening statement of financial position in the period in which the deemed is determined; or
 - (b) In the revaluation surplus if the first-time adopter adopts the revaluation model in IPSAS 17 or in IPSAS 31, *Intangible Assets*.

Amendment: Part 6

Amendments to IPSAS 40, Public Sector Combinations

Paragraphs 126C and 126D are added. New text is underlined.

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Effective Date

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- 126C.When an entity adopts the accrual basis IPSASs as defined in IPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs), for financial reporting purposes subsequent to this effective date, this Standard applies to the entity's annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after the date of adoption of IPSASs.
- 126D.Paragraph 126C was amended by *Improvements to IPSAS*, 2019, issued in January 2020. An entity shall apply this amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Earlier application is permitted.

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Basis for Conclusions

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Revision of IPSAS 40 as a result of Improvements to IPSAS, 2019

BC94. The paragraph related to IPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs) was inadvertently omitted when IPSAS 40 was issued. The IPSASB added paragraph 126C to ensure consistency with IPSAS 33.

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