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?	10 Yes	There are no listed companies in Lesotho
		2 0 No	
1.1.2.	Quality Assurance Review Program Follow Up What plans do you have for developing and	We are presently evaluating two	
	implementing a quality assurance review program, or if you do not have those plans, what special reasons or conditions for that fact exist?	options: 1. ECSAFA, as a regional body is appraising the possibility of a Central Monitoring Unit from which we will outsource the	

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		capacity for the program. 2. Alternatively, we might outsource such services from PAAB in South Africa		
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	10	Yes	
	continuous professional development			
	(CPD)?	20	No	
2.3.	Professional Accountancy Education			
2.3.1.	Professional Accountancy Education Program Who delivers the professional accountancy	1☑	Our organization	Our body has a mandate
	education program for your members?		C	through the Act to provide t

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	Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	2☑ Another IFAC member body 3□ Universities 4☑ Approved training institutions 5□ Government bodies 6□ Other organizations	accountancy education, on the basis of this we entered into a Joint Examination Scheme with ACCA to outsource their services relating to curriculum and examinations. The local Centre for Accounting Studies is an approved Training Institution delivering the requisite tuition.
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).	1. The IFAC member body is ACCA 2. The Centre for Accounting Studies is a tuition provider set up under the assistance of Lesotho Government.	
2.3.3.	Prof Accountancy Education Program Follow Up		

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	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. Include in your description the specific	Through the Joint Exam Agreement we keep constant interaction with ACCA. We review the ACCA curriculum which we have out sourced from time to time to ensure that content is still relevant.	
	activities your organization undertakes with regards to the necessary content requirements.		
2.4.	Final Assessment Follow Up		
2.4.1.	Final Assessment Approach Follow Up Since your organization does not require completion of a final assessment, please describe how your organization assesses whether an individual has the required professional capabilities and competencies.	We have the prescribed minimum requirements for practical experience, we collect confirmation from employers on the work performed by an individual seeking membership to ensure that the minimum requirements have been met.	
2.4.2.	Plans for Final Assessment Are there plans to introduce a final assessment of professional capabilities and competence?	10 Yes	
2.4.4.	Plans for Final Assessment Follow Up	2⊙ No	

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	Please explain why there is no plan to introduce a final assessment of professional capabilities and competence.	See	2.4.2	
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.	10	Entry requirements are at least equivalent to that for admission into a recognized university degree program (or its equivalent)	
	Are the entry requirements to the program equivalent to admissions requirements for a recognized university degree program (or its equivalent)?			
		20	Entry requirements are not 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	
	admissions into a recognized an versity.	20	No	
2.7.4.	Process For Equivalency Follow Up SMO 2 Please explain why a process for checking equivalency has not been developed or is not considered necessary? If there are plans to	Expe	erience is considered on ission into membership, not for into an education program,	

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	introduce such a process please provide information about the proposal and the proposed timing for introducing the process.	equi	is why the process for checking valence has not been found essary	
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. What forms of pre-qualification, professional accountancy knowledge are recognized by your organization? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Post-secondary accounting degree	For now it is not necessary for individuals to have a university degree to enter into accountancy education program. For example, for people to become Technicians they do not need to have a university degree. Our program does allow individuals to enter into a professional accountancy education program as long as they are qualified Technicians.
		2☑	Post-secondary business or finance degree	
		3□	Post-secondary degree in another subject matter	
		4☑	Qualification offered by another IFAC member body	
		5□ 6□	Relevant work experience Other	
2.8.3.	Describe Other IFAC Qualification			

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	State the name of the IFAC member body and the title / designation offered by the IFAC member body that is recognized by your organization.		Act recognizes the following gnations for acceptance:		
		ACC	CA		
		CPA	A – Kenya		
		CPA	A – USA		
		ICA	– Australia		
		_	A – Canada		
			EW- UK		
		ICA – Ghana ICA – Ireland ICA – Nigeria ICAZ –Zimbabwe			
			- Scotland		
			CA – South Africa NZ - New Zealand.		
		ICA	NZ - New Zealand.		
2.8.6.	Pre-Qualification for Professional Knowledge				
	What is the length of the professional accountancy knowledge component of prequalification education? Select the answer	10	Two years of full-time study or part-time equivalent		
	option that is the most 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		

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			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.	Corp Man Risk Fina Acco Facto extenthe p	program places emphasis on porate Strategy, design and agement of business Systems, Assessment and Strategic incial Analysis and Core punting Technical Knowledge. For relevant for selecting the int of knowledge was to enable professional accountant to ate in a modern financial ronment	
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.			
	answer options that are appropriate.	2☑	Management accounting and	
		3☑	control Control	
		4☑ 5☑	Taxation Business and commercial law	

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		6☑	Audit and assurance	
		7☑	Finance and financial	
			management	
		8☑	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	
		$8\mathbf{V}$	Management and strategic	
			decision making	
		9☑	Marketing	
		10	International business and	
		$\overline{\checkmark}$	globalization	
		11	None of the above	
2.8.8.5.	Information Technology			
	Which of the following information technology (IT) subject areas and competences are required prior to	1☑	General knowledge of IT	
	qualification? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.			
	** *	2☑	IT control knowledge	

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		3☑ 4☑	IT control competences IT user competences	
		5☑	One of, or a mixture of, the competences of, the roles of manager, evaluator or designer of information	
		6□	systems None of the above	
2.8.8.7.	Additional Content by Requirement	<u> </u>	Trone of the doore	
2.0.0	Are there additional content requirements specified by law or regulation, or your organization?	1□	Yes, as required by law or regulation	
		$2\square$	Yes, as determined to be	
		3☑	necessary by our organization No	
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.	1☑	As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements	
	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.			
		2☑	Through specific professional	

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		3☑	accountancy education course content Through practical experience	
		4□	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.	Kno appl eval	wledge, understanding, ication, analysis and uation. These are assessed ugh a written examination.	
2.9.3.	Development of Technical and Functional 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	
	Telef to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 13.	2☑ 3☑ 4□	Through specific professional accountancy education course content Through practical experience requirement 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.	mod meas	neracy, IT proficiency, decision eling and risk analysis, surement, reporting, and pliance with legislative	

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		requirements. These are assessed through a written examination	
2.9.5.	Development of Personal Skills At what points in the professional accountancy education program are personal skills developed? Select all the answer options that are appropriate. In responding to this question IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 16.	 1 ✓ As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry requirements 2 ✓ Through specific professional accountancy education course content 3 ✓ Through practical experience requirement 4 ◯ 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.	Self-management, initiative, ability to prioritize, professional values and ethics, attitudes towards work and decision making, professionalism. These are assessed trough examination and practical experience.	
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	1☑ As part of general education and / or as part of the professional accountancy education program entry	

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	are appropriate. In responding to this question refer to IES 3 paragraphs 13 and 17.		requirements	
		2☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content	
		3☑	Through practical experience requirement	
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.	cons	Other (please describe) n work, negotiating skills, ultative processes and faction	
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 16.	2☑	Through specific professional accountancy education course content	
		3 ☑ 4□	Through practical experience requirement Other (please describe)	

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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.	man	regic planning, people agement, leadership, essional judgment, ability to nise	
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.	10	Yes	
	Does the professional accountancy education program include coverage of values, ethics and attitudes?			
		20	No	
2.10.2.	Values, Ethics and Attitudes in Content			
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	
		2☑	Differences of detailed rules- based and framework approaches to ethics, their advantages and drawbacks	

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		3☑	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	
			at large	
		9☑	Ethics in relation to business	
			and good governance	
		10	Ethics and the individual	
			professional accountant:	
			whistle blowing, conflicts of	
			interest, ethical dilemmas and	
			their resolution.	
		11	None of the above	

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2.10.2.3.	IFAC Code of Ethics Is the program content based on the relevant sections of the IFAC Code of Ethics?		Yes	Please describe in general terms what aspects of the IFAC Code of Ethics are incorporated into the program content.
		20	No	
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	
		2☑	Through specific program	
		3☑	course content 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?			

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		2 0 No	
2.11.3.	Provider Follow Up How does your organization determine whether a provider or employer is able to provide the candidate with the practical experience necessary?	The Institute requests all employers to confirm in writing all areas covered by potential members while gathering practical experience prior to being admitted into membership. In addition, the Institute is currently negotiating a formal supervised program of students attachment with employers and business. Once this program is agreed trainees will be attached and their progress on the work environment will be supervised by employers and the professional body to ensure they become competent professionals. We have this year started on the program for Technicians and in 3	
		years time it should have reached the professional stage.	
2.11.4.	Length of Practical Experience What is the required length of prequalification practical experience? Select the	1⊙ Three years	
	answer option that is most appropriate.	2O Less than three years3O More than three years	

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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	
		20	No	
2.11.7.	Timing of Experience Pre or Post Qualification Experience The practical experience for accountants may be obtained (select all the answer options that are appropriate):	1□ 2☑ 3☑	Before the professional accountancy education program of study At the same time as the professional accountancy 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.	qual whic	he 3 years could be post ification or any part thereof the is acquired during the ifying period is accepted	
2.12.	IES 5 Monitoring of Practical Experience Requirement			
2.12.1.	Monitoring of Practical Experience Is the period of practical experience	10	Yes	

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	monitored?			
		20	No	
2.12.2.	Monitoring of Practical Experience Follow Up			
	Please indicate whether there are plans to begin monitoring of practical experience and if not, a description of the reasons why.	expectation empty form place	re are plans to monitor practical crience. Negotiations are ently taking place with loyer groups to enter into a nal agreement of student ement which will enable itoring.	
2.14.	IES 7 Continuing Professional			
	Development - CPD			
2.14.1.	Responsibility for CPD Requirements Section 2.14 deals with the continuous professional development requirements established by your organization.	1☑	Our 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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		4□	Other (please describe)	
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.	1☑	All our qualified members	
	and the special section of the secti	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□	Qualified members who are employed in business	
		6□	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☑	Members must satisfy a number of hours of continuous professional development a year or over a number of years	
	ирргоргиис.	2□	All members are to satisfy specified content requirements (e.g. specified courses or knowledge	

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		3□	content) 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	Members have to complete a minimum of 120 hours or equivalent learning units of relevant professional development activity over a	
		20	three-year rolling period. Members have to complete a minimum of 20 hours or equivalent learning units in each year	
		30	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	
	professional development requirements?	20	No, there is no monitoring process for CPD requirements	

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2.14.4.	Monitoring of CPD Requirement			
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	
		2☑	Professional accountants are required to submit evidence	
		3☑	Our organization audits a sample of professional accountants to check	
		4□	compliance 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	
		2☑	Professional accountant's obligation to maintain	
		3☑	knowledge Professional accountant's obligation to maintain skills	
		4☑	to perform competently Compliance with CPD	

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		5□	requirement 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	
2.14.4.5.	Plans for Sanctions SMO 2 Are there plans to introduce sanctions when continuous professional development requirements are not complied with?	10	Yes	
		20	No	
2.14.4.7.	Describe Plans for Sanctions Describe the plans to introduce sanctions for circumstances when continuous professional development requirements are not complied with.	fails intro like again up in	ne moment the intention is to burage compliance, but if this penalties which will be beduced will include measures taking a disciplinary action as members which could end a suspending practising ficates for those who are in tise.	
		The	main difficulties in issuing	

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		sanctions are: i. Limited capacity within the LIA hampers follow up process which is necessary to impose sanctions. ii. Since a mandatory CPD program was introduced a year ago LIA found it reasonable to encourage compliance before introducing sanctions.	
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.	So far what we have done has been to make Council and Committee members aware of these pronouncements by circulating copies to them	
3.	SMO 3		
3.1.	Auditing Standards in Law/Regulation 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.	1□ Yes for audits of listed entities	Please be aware that in Lesotho there are no listed companies as there is no stock exchange.
	Where the law / regulation establishes the 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 Institute, through the mandate given by the Accountants Act 1977, is the national standard setting body. A decision was made

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	the law / regulation, please respond "yes" to this question. Section 3.8. of this module includes questions about the law / regulation.			over ten years ago not to set our own standards but to adopt those pronounced by the arms of IFAC.
	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□ 3□ 4	Yes for audits of non-listed entities No for audits of listed entities No for audits of non-listed entities	
3.2.	Responsibility for Private Sector Auditing Standards			
3.2.4.	Standard-Setter - Non-Listed SMO 3 Who has the authority for establishing the auditing standards for non-listed entities?	10	Our organization	The Accountants Act 9 of 1977, gives the LIA the mandate to regulate the practice of the accountancy profession in Lesotho.(section 6(c)) it is in the context of this provision that LIA becomes the legally designated national standard setter
		20	Another IFAC member body	

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		30	Joint process between our organization and another IFAC member body or other organization	
		40	Another organization	
3.5.	Non-Listed and Member Body SMO 3			
3.5.1.	MB Convergence Objective - Non-Listed SMO 3			
	For auditing standards for non-listed entities, has convergence with IAASB pronouncements been established as an objective?			The Institute, through the mandate given by the Accountants Act 1977, is the national standard setting body. A decision was made over ten years ago not to set our own standards but to adopt those pronounced by the arms of IFAC. We promote them by advising members to use and apply them, we run seminars where members are updated on new developments, changes and updates. We have even made a decision to post them onto our website to make them accessible to members
		20	No	
3.5.3.	MB Convergence Implemented - Non-Listed SMO 3 Has the convergence objective for auditing	10	Yes	

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	standards for non-listed entities been implemented?			
		20	No	
3.6.	Incorporation of Auditing Standards			
3.6.1.	Incorporation Approach SMO 3 Where your response indicates that convergence with IAASB pronouncements has been implemented, which of the following best describes the approach is used to incorporate the IAASB pronouncements into national standards? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	IAASB pronouncements are adopted as drafted without amendments (refer Help Text)	Our organisation reviews the standards and assesses the extent to which they are applicable to our situation, and then recommends to members to apply them. In terms of the amendment 8 of 1984, amending section 112 of the Company's Act 1967, for every company with a share capital, accounts are to be in accordance with National Accounting Standards issued by Lesotho Institute of Accountants. When the LIA decided to adopt the international accounting and auditing standards, the intention was for them to replace national standards.
	Help text: Answer Option 1 and reference to "adopted without amendment"	20	IAASB pronouncements are adopted as national standards and amended as necessary to	

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	Select this option where IAASB pronouncements are adopted as drafted except for changes to: Rename the IAASB pronouncement to a national standard name; Translate the IAASB pronouncement into another language; Apply an effective date that differs from the IAASB pronouncement.		address differences due to conflicts with legal or regulatory requirements (refer Help Text)	
	Answer Option 2 and 3 reference to "Differences" In responding to this question, "differences" may include: Requirements in addition to those specified in the IAASB pronouncement or ISA; Deletion of a basic principle, essential procedure, and / or related guidance specified in the IAASB pronouncement or ISA; Modification of a requirement specified in the IAASB pronouncement or ISA (e.g. an ISA requirement was not deleted in full because a similar requirement was			
	included).	30	Existing national standards are compared with IAASB pronouncements to eliminate to the extent possible differences between the	

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			national standard and the IAASB pronouncement (refer	
			Help Text)	
		40	Other	
3.6.3.	Adoption with Amendments SMO 3			
3.6.3.1.	IAASB Pronouncements with Amendments Which of the following IAASB pronouncements have been adopted or incorporated? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1□	International Standard on Quality Control 1	
		2☑	International Standards on Auditing	
		3☑	International Auditing Practices Statements	
		4□	International Standards on	
			Assurance Engagements	
		5☑	International Standards on	
			Review Engagements	
		6□	International Standards on	
			Related Services	
3.6.3.2.	Name of Standards SMO 3 - Amendments When the IAASB pronouncements are adopted, are the IAASB pronouncements renamed as national standards and pronouncements?	10	IAASB pronouncements are adopted without changes to the pronouncement's name	
	pronouncomonius.	20	IAASB pronouncements are adopted with changes to their names	
3.6.3.3.	Name of National Auditing Standards - Amendments			

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	State the name of the national auditing standards and pronouncements	how Acco	it Standards and Guidelines; ever, the Lesotho Institute of ountants resolved to adopt dards issued by IAASB where onal standards fall short	
3.6.3.4.	Adopted with Amendments SMO 3 Is information publicly available describing: The IAASB pronouncements that have been adopted; Whether the adopted IAASB pronouncement is the version in effect as at September 30, 2005; The effective date set by your organization where it differs from the IAASB pronouncement; The differences between the IAASB pronouncement and what was adopted; The reasons for the differences?	10	Yes	
3.6.3.5.	Submit Information - Amendments SMO 3 If the standard-setter has issued information about the status of adopted ISAs and other IAASB pronouncements and it is available in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to	10	The information is available and in English and will be submitted to Compliance Staff	The report will be submitted once completed.
	in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to Compliance Staff. If this information is not available, complete the <a <="" href="SMO 3 Comparison with" td=""><td></td><td>Staff</td><td></td>		Staff	

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	IAASB Pronouncements.doc">SMO 3: Comparison with IAASB Pronouncements report by clicking on the link 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.			
	Help text:	2⊙	The "SMO 3: Comparison with IAASB Pronouncements" report will be completed and submitted to Compliance Staff	
3.10.	Translation SMO 3			
3.10.1.	Translation of IAASB Pronouncements Are the IAASB pronouncements translated into a national language?	10	No as English is the national language or a widely spoken language Yes, the IAASB	
		30	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	The	Institute runs seminars to	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	organization undertakes to promote and assist in the implementation of IAASB pronouncements and other IAASB activities.	deve	tte members on the latest clopments relating to IAASB ouncements	
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	
	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 convergence with the IFAC Code of Ethics as an objective?	10	Yes	
	J	20	No	
4.1.9.	IFAC MB Approach to Ethics Which of the following options best describes your organization's activities to incorporate the IFAC Code?	10	Our organization adopted the IFAC Code as issued without modifications	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	For the purposes of the Part 2 SMO 4 module, modifications include: 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.			
		2O 3⊙ 4O	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 Our organization develops 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	whic	e developed our own code the was based on the IFAC code are IFAC code is applied where	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text	Answer	Comments
	ethical requirements and the IFAC Code.	ours falls short 3. The intention is now to adopt new IFAC code as is and make additions for situations which are relevant to our situation but not covered in the IFAC code .i.e ad Part D	e
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?	 The IFAC Code currently effect, revised and issued in June 2004 A version issued prior to 2004 The revised IFAC Code issued and in effect June 3 2006 	n
4.2.2.	Version Pre 2004 Follow Up SMO 4 Please explain why the IFAC Code that is currently in effect has not been adopted or incorporated. Provide information about special conditions, challenges, or impediments relevant to this matter.	There are no impediments, it wa just a matter of timing and capac constraints	
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 alrea amended our ethical requirements for the revise IFAC Code (effective June	an update seminar for members on the revised IFAC

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	the option that is the most relevant.		30, 2006)	members on it. The intention is to look at those areas relevant to our situation not covered within the code and incorporate them as Part D
		20	Our organization is in the process of amending or has included a plan to amend our ethical requirements for the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)	
		30	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)	
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	Other (please describe) Yes	
		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	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	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	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text	Answer	Comments
		business 6□ None of the above	
4.4.3.	Describe Law / Reg - Prof Accountants Regarding your response to question 4.4.1 and the law / regulation for professional accountants, 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.	1. The law contained in the Accountants Act no 9 of 1977 stipulates what professional accountants can or cannot do. 2. There are rules and regulations which guide the behaviour of professional accountants in different situations	
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.	there are no listed Companies in Lesotho therefore not applicable	
4.4.5.	Describe Law / Reg - Other Services Regarding your response to question 4.4.1 and professional accountants who provide services to the public (other than as auditors or listed or other entities) please: State the law / regulation's name;	 It is the Accountants Act 9 of 1977 and the Rules and Regulations guiding members. Section 18 (a-g) states what the accountant can do and cannot do. 	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text	Answer	Comments
	Provide a general description of the law / regulation; Describe how the law / regulation sets out the scope of professional accountants that it applies to.		
4.4.6.	Describe Law / Reg - Employed Regarding your response to question 4.4.1 and professional accountants who are employed in business, 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.	1. The Accountants Act 2. The Institute rules and regulations	
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.	As indicated earlier in the questionnaire we have organised a seminar recently promoting the IFAC code to all our members and other stakeholders	
4.5.	Comparison of Requirements SMO 4 Does your organization have information	10 Yes, our organization has this	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	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	
	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.			
	TER THE STORY OF T	2O 3©	This information will be submitted by another IFAC member body 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			
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.			
		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 the appropriate.	2☑	Law that regulates professional accountants and / or auditors	
		3□	Securities regulation	
165	Duofassianal Dahavian Duinainla	4⊔	Other laws and / or regulation	
4.6.5.	that are appropriate. Professional Behavior - Principle		professional accountants and / or auditors	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
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□	Securities regulation	
4.77	The second of th	4□	Other laws and / or regulation	
4.7.	Threats and Safeguards - National			
4./.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	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		2○	Yes, a threats and safeguards framework or similar / equivalent framework is in the ethical requirements established in law and / or regulation No, a threats and safeguards framework, or similar / equivalent framework has not been established in the national ethical requirements	
4.7.2.	Threats and Safeguards Follow Up Please explain whether your organization plans to introduce the "threats and safeguards" concept into the ethical requirements.	the I	Institute is planning to adopt FAC code with its "threats and guards" concept	
	Where there are no plans to introduce this concept, please describe the special challenges, impediments, or conditions that are relevant to this matter.			
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 identifying and resolving ethical matters? Select all of the answer option that are	1☑	Yes, our organization has developed requirements for identifying and resolving ethical matters	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	appropriate.			
		2□	Yes, government, regulatory, or oversight bodies have developed requirements for identifying and resolving	
		3□	ethical mattes 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 guidance in the Code? Select the answer option that is the most appropriate.	10	Yes, the requirements and guidance are adopted from the IFAC Code	
	-F	20	Yes, the IFAC Code was used as a model in developing the requirements	
		3©	Yes, the requirements are similar / equivalent to the	
		40	IFAC Code 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	10	Our organization will complete the "SMO 4: Provisions Relating to Threats to Independence" report	

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	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.			
	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 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.	
	uncat.	30	Our members do not provide assurance services; therefore,	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
			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 addressed in the revised IFAC Code (effective June 30, 2006)?	10	Yes	
	(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	
4.10.1.3.	National Comparison - Prof Accountants		110	
	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.	the I	Institute is currently reviewing FAC Code and any additional onal requirements will be municated to compliance staff rately in due course.	

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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	
		2O 3 ©	Yes No	
4.10.2.2.	National Conflicts - Public Practice 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.	2O 3 ©	Yes No	
4.10.3.	National - Business			
4.10.3.1.	National Additional - Business 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	10	Not applicable as our members do not operate as professional accountants employed in business	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	(effective June 30, 2006)?			
		20	Yes	
		3 ©	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			
	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□	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		ough the Technical Committee organization reviews the	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text	Answer	Comments
	assist in implementing the pronouncements (e.g. IFAC Code of Ethics) and work of IFAC's International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants.	pronouncement with a view to understand it, then recommends its adoption to Council. Thereafter members are made aware of it and seminars / workshops are run to ensure members are abreast with its requirements.	
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?	 Yes Yes No Information is not available or not known 	All I am aware of is that it is the intention of Government to adopt the IPSAS. We are not yet aware how the adoption will take place, ie; whether they will adopt with or without amenments.
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	Implementation of pronouncements by IPSASB is outside our scope and mandate. However, we recommend to government that these should be adopted for better reporting and accountability.	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	organization's objectives or work program.			
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 local laws and practices permit, by firms)? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Yes, our organization has this responsibility	
	арр. «р.ш.».	30	No, responsibility for investigation and discipline rests solely with an external body Our organization shares responsibility for investigation and discipline	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
		40	with an external body Other	
6.5.	SMO 6 - Detailed Assessment			
6.5.1.	Rules and Procedures for Investigation 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	
	2-2-1-F	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	
	options that are appropriate.	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	
		UШ	instances of professional negligence that, cumulatively, may indicate unfitness to exercise practicing rights	
		7☑	Unsatisfactory work	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
_		8□	Other (please describe)	
6.5.2.	Types of Sanctions Which of the following actions can be imposed by those who judge such issues: Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Reprimand	
	ирргоргиис.	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		ere there is cause to suspect roper conduct, an Investigation	

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	6.	whete answ there Disc cons the f	mittee is set up to investigate ther or not there is a case to ver. Where it is confirmed that is a case, then the iplinary committee sits to ider the allegations. Based on acts and circumstances a ruling be made.	
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	
	Ç	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	
	I TITLE I	2☑ 3□ 4□	Complaints-based Other (please describe) 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	10	Yes	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	carry out an effective investigation?			
		20	No	
6.5.6.3.	Cooperation of Members 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 cooperate in the investigation of complaints and to respond promptly to all communications from the member body	
		2 ☑ 3□	Provision for sanctions in the 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?	10	Yes (please describe)	There is a Standing Disciplinary Committee made up of some members from Council and others outside Council. Where necessary the Institute enlists the assistance of the Law Society in dealing with disciplinary cases.
		20	No	1 7
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	10	Yes	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	subject of the investigation, and (b) anyone connected with or interested in the matter investigated?			
	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.	10	One committee/panel to investigate the complaint and a separate committee/tribunal to administer disciplinary action	
		2O 3O	A single committee/panel to conduct the investigation and administer disciplinary action. Other	
6.5.6.12.	Independent Review	30	Other	
	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	

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text	Answer	Comments
		2 ⊙ No	
6.5.6.13.	Independent Review Follow Up Please explain why your organization has not established and maintained such a process.	I believe the reason is that thre has not been a need in the past to do so, but this is something which needs to be developed for future purposes.	
6.5.7.	The Disciplinary Process		
6.5.7.1.	Composition of Tribunal 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)	
6.5.7.0		2⊙ No	
6.5.7.2.	Composition of Tribunal Follow Up Please explain why the tribunal responsible for the disciplinary hearing does not contain a balance of professional expertise and outside judgment (e.g., composed of accountants and non-accountants)?	No specific reason. However, on a ad hoc basis the Institute requests the Law Society to provide expertise in dealing with cases.	
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	
		2 ⊙ No	
6.5.7.5.	Independence of Tribunal		

Number	Question Title/Text/Help text		Answer	Comments
	Briefly describe how the disciplinary tribunal exhibits independence.	 By not being involved at the investigation stage. Allowing both the Complainant and the Accused to state their cases and to bring witnesses and evidence. Alowing the Accused to mitigate. 		
6.5.7.6.	Appeals Process			
	Does your organization's rules:	1☑	Permit a qualified lawyer or	
	Select all the answer options that are		other person chosen by the defendant to accompany and	
	appropriate.		represent the defendant at all	
			disciplinary hearings and to	
			advise him or her throughout	
			the investigative and	
		2☑	disciplinary process Permit the defendant to	
		∠⊌	appeal the conviction and any	
			imposed sanction	
		3☑	Permit any order made	
			against the defendant to be	
			suspended by the tribunal that convicted the defendant,	
			pending the hearing of that	
			appeal	
		4☑	Prohibit the appeal tribunal	
			from including a prosecutor	
			or a member of the first	

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		5□	tribunal, or any other individual who was concerned with the original conviction Require that the same procedures apply to the appeal process as apply to hearings before the disciplinary tribunal None of the above	
6.5.7.7.	Appeals Process Follow Up Please explain why your organization has not established the rules that were not selected.	The appeals tribunal is the High Court of Lesotho and therefore our organisation cannot dictate to them what procedures to follow in hearing the appeal.		
6.5.8.	Administrative Processes			
6.5.8.1.	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	
	Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	2☑	Maintain and operate tracking mechanisms, to ensure that all investigations and prosecutions are promptly handled, and that all	

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			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	
		4 ☑	maintain that confidentiality Maintain secure and	
		4 V	confidential facilities for the	
			storage of case papers and other evidence	
		5☑	Maintain records of all	
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			investigation and disciplinary proceedings	
		6□	None of the above	
6.5.8.3.	Case Numbers	0⊔	None of the above	
6.5.8.3.1.	2005 Heard Case Numbers			
0.3.6.3.1.	Indicate the number of cases heard in 2005.	2		
	indicate the number of cases neard III 2003.	4		
6.5.8.3.2.	2004 Heard Case Numbers			
	Indicate the number of cases heard in 2004.	0		
65922	2003 Heard Case Numbers			
0.5.6.5.5.	2003 Heara Case Numbers			

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	Indicate the number of cases heard in 2003.	1		
6.5.8.3.4.	2005 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2005.	2		
6.5.8.3.5.	2004 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2004.	0		
6.5.8.3.6.	2003 Completed Case Numbers Indicate the number of cases completed in 2003.	1		
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.	6		I have put 6 being the maximum. Cases differ in complexity, therefore a period of between 3-6 months is allowed.
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 sector listed entities and non-listed entities? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1	Yes, for financial statements of listed entities	Please be aware that in Lesotho there are no listed companies as there is no stock exchange.

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	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. 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	V C C	
		2□	Yes, for financial statements 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	The Accountants Act 9 of 1977, gives the LIA the mandate to regulate the practice of the accountancy profession in Lesotho.(

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				section 6(c)) it is in the context of this provision that LIA becomes the legally designated national standard setter
		20	Another IFAC member body	
		30	Joint process between our	
			organization and another	
		40	IFAC member body Another organization	
7.5.	Member Body - Non-Listed SMO 7	+0	Another organization	
7.5.1.	MB Convergence Objective - Non-Listed SMO 7			
	Where national accounting standards for non-listed entities are established by your organization, has convergence with IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements been established as an objective? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	Yes, for IFRSs	
	Tr Tr	$2\square$	Yes, for other IASB	
			pronouncements	
		3□	No, convergence has not been	
			established as an objective	
7.5.3.	MB Convergence Implemented - Non-Listed SMO 7			
	Has the convergence objective for non-listed entities been implemented? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1🗹	Yes, for IFRSs	
		2□	Yes, for other IASB pronouncements	

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		3□	No, the convergence objective has not been implemented	
7.6.	Incorporation of Accounting Standards			
7.6.1.	Incorporation Approach SMO 7 Where your response indicates that convergence with IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements has been implemented, which of the following best describes the approach is used to incorporate IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements into national standards? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	IFRSs are adopted as drafted without amendments except to rename the IFRS as a national standard and / or to translate it into another language	In terms of the amendment 8 of 1984, amending section 112 of the Company's Act 1967, for every company with a share capital, accounts are to be in accordance with National Accounting Standards issued by Lesotho Institute of Accountants. When the LIA decided to adopt the international accounting and auditing standards, the intention was for them to replace national standards. In as far as auditing standards were concerned LIA had been free lancing between Irish, UK and IFAC standards and guidelines.
	Help text: Answer Option 1 and reference to "adopted without amendment" Select this option where IFRSs are adopted as drafted except for changes to:	20	IFRSs are adopted as national standards and amended as necessary to address differences due to conflicts with legal or regulatory	guidemies.

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	Rename the IFRS to a national standard name; Translate the IFRS into another language; Apply an effective date that differs from the IFRS.		requirements	
	Answer Option 2 and 3 - "Differences" In responding to this question, "differences" may include: Requirements in addition to those specified in the IFRS; Deletion of main principle and / or related guidance specified in the IFRS; Modification of a requirement specified in the IFRS (e.g. an IFRS requirement was not deleted in full because a similar requirement was included).			
		3O 4O	Existing national standards are compared with IFRSs to eliminate to the extent possible differences between the national standard and the IFRS Other	
7.6.3.	Adoption with Amendments SMO 7	40	Other	
7.6.3.1.	IASB Pronouncements with Amendments Which of the following IASB pronouncements have been adopted or incorporated? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	1☑	International Financial Reporting Standards (including International Accounting Standards)	

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		2□ 3□ 4☑	IFRIC Interpretations SIC Interpretations Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of the Financial Statements	
7.6.3.2.	IASB Related Documentation and Amendments IASB requires the standards to be read in the context of related documentation including: Bases for Conclusions, Implementation Guidance, Application Guidance, Appendices and Illustrative Examples. Have the related documentation issued by IASB been adopted? Select the answer option that is most appropriate.	10	Yes, for all related documentation	Name Required by LIA
		20	Yes, for some related documentation (describe what types of related documentation have been adopted)	
		30	No	
7.6.3.3.	Name of Standards - Amendments SMO 7 When the IFRSs and/or other IASB pronouncements are adopted, does your organization rename the standards are do the standards retain their names as issued by the IASB? Select all the answer options that are appropriate.	10	IFRSs are adopted as named by the IASB	

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		20	IFRSs are renamed	
7.6.3.4.	State National Standards Name - Amendments SMO 7 State the name of the national accounting standards.	LIA	to provide information	
7.6.3.5.	Adopted with Amendments SMO 7 Is information publicly available describing: IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements have been adopted; Whether the adopted IFRS or IASB pronouncement is the version in effect as at September 30, 2005; The effective date set by your organization where it differs from the IFRS or IASB pronouncement; The differences between the IFRS or IASB pronouncement and what was adopted; The reasons for the differences.		Yes	
		20	No	
7.6.3.6.	Submit Information - Amendments SMO 7 If the standard-setter has issued information about the status of adopted IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements and it is available in English, indicate this in your response and submit a copy of the information to Compliance Staff.	10	The information is available and in English and will be submitted to Compliance Staff	LIA to confirm reports to be prepared or other information submitted.
	If this information is not available, complete the <a <="" href="SMO 7 Comparison with IASB" td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td>			

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	Pronouncements.doc">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. Help text:	2⊙	The "SMO 7: Comparison with IASB Pronouncements" report will be completed and submitted to Compliance	
7.10.	Translation SMO 7		Staff	
7.10.1.	Translation of IFRSs Are the IFRSs and other IASB pronouncements translated into national language?	1 © 2 0 3 0	No, as English is an official language or widely spoken language Yes, the IFRSs are translated No and English is not an official language or is not widely spoken	
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.	2. C write 3. Pr	ur body first adopts the IFRSs. ommunicates with members in ing about its decsion. rovides training inars/workshops to ensure others are up to date with latest	

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		4. E	elopments. nsures that IFRSs are covered e education program.	
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 here to download a copy of the Certification form.	1☑	Yes, the Certification of Chief Executive has been submitted	
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