This following information is obtained from public regulations and other public sources that relate to reporting deadlines that may have been affected by COVID-19. The summary has been written based on the information provided. As such, it may not be comprehensive and/or other items issued by local regulators may not be included. Global Public Policy Committee (GPPC¹) cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information contained herein. Still, the GPPC is compiling this information to ensure that stakeholders can receive updated information and can meet shifting regulatory obligations in light of the fluid COVID-19 environment. The summary provided below does not involve firm-proprietary or competitively sensitive information.

In some survey responses, the type of entities included in deadline extensions was not clear (*i.e.*, if the extension relates to audited financial statements, or unaudited reports, and/or other reports). GPPC will update the information to incorporate additional details and specifics as they become available.

Territory	Last update <sup>2</sup>	Body (where available/ known)	Government/ regulator response to impact of coronavirus on reporting and audit matters
Albania			Extension is likely although no formal announcement made by government yet. Filing deadline with Central Bank for FSI entities is 30 June 2020.
Argentina		National Securities Commission (CNV)	Extended its March 31st quarterly filing deadline by up to 60 days. This applies to issuers and entities registered with CNV. Link  AGMs permitted to be deferred.
Australia	9 April	Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC)	Guidelines for listed and unlisted public companies with 31 December 2019 year ends that are required to hold AGMs by 31 May 2020. ASIC will take no action if AGMs are postponed for two months (until end July 2020) and ASIC supports use of appropriate technologies for AGMs. Closely monitoring financial reporting obligations, currently no indication of significant issues. Link  Currently no deferrals for inspections by audit regulators.  ASIC has not issued any extension to filing deadlines for Listed Public Entities at this stage and may wait to mid May 2020 before considering any extensions. Australian market is dominated by June year end company's so further guidance is expected in due course. In respect to non-listed companies with year ends between 31 December 2019 to 31 March 2020 ASIC has made an announcement granting a one month extension for lodgement.
Austria	2 April	Financial Reporting and Auditing Committee (AFRAC)	Established a group working on a recommendation / statement addressing the reporting and auditing COVID-19 implications.  Published technical information on the effects of the spread of the COVID-19 on corporate reporting. Link
Belgium		Institute of Company Auditors (IBR/IRE)	Extensions likely although no formal announcement has been made by government yet.  Communication published including risk assessment, ISA 600 compliance, going concern etc. (NL - FR)
Bermuda			One-month extension to provide audited financial statements for insurance companies.
Brazil		Securities and Exchange	Issued a resolution that extends the deadlines for filing certain reports by publicly-held companies, including financial statements and quarterly reports by 45 days or two months, depending on the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Most recent update at 13 April 2020. Dates added as new announcements made.

		Commission (CVM)	report for year ended 31 December 2019; additional 5 months to file annual financial statements for year ended 31 March, 2020 or after. Link
			Released a statement recommending that affected companies make information regarding potential financial impacts of COVID-19 available to investors through securities filings. Link
Bulgaria			Extensions likely although no formal announcement made by government yet (proposal to extend deadline to 31 July 2020 for listed companies and 30 September 2020 for all others).
Canada	13 April	Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA)	45-day extension for financial statements and other periodic filings normally required to be made by issuers, investment funds, registrants, certain regulated entities and designated rating organisations on or before 1 June 2020. Link
			Guidance on conducting AGMs during the pandemic. Link
			Encouraging reporting issuers to contact their principal regulator to discuss any potential effect of the outbreak on their ability to comply with their obligations under securities legislation. Link
			CSA Staff Notice 51-360 - Frequently asked questions regarding filing extension relief granted by way of a blanket order in response to COVID-19
		Canadian Public Accountability	Statement recognising impact on various areas - auditors encouraged to contact CPAB to determine best ways forward. <u>Link</u>
		Board (CPAB) OSC	Currently no deferrals for inspections by audit regulators.  Provided a 45-day blanket extension of deadlines to public companies
		ose	and other regulated entities for filings due on or before June 1. <u>Link</u>
	13 April	Toronto Stock Exchange	No requirement to file Form 9 during 2020 for late filings of financial statements.
			AGMs due to be held in 2020 under usual requirements may be held at any point in 2020 regardless of financial year end and without filing a Form 9.
			Temporary blanket relief measures for TSX and TSXV listed issuers during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Link
	13 April	Mutual Fund Dealers Association (MFDA)	MFDA is continuing to perform its regulatory functions. However, in light of COVID-19 the MFDA has taken proactive measures to protect MFDA and member staff by performing its regulatory functions remotely to the greatest extent possible. Link
	13 April	Office of the Superintenden t of Financial Institutions	OSFI adjusts the Domestic Stability Buffer to support continued lending resilience.     OSFI suspends consultation on the minimum qualifying rate for uninsured mortgages.
		(OSFI)	OSFI is reviewing its supervisory and regulatory priorities to align with current conditions. Link
	13 April	Chartered Professional Accountants - Canada	COVID-19 Updates (Continuously updated) Link
	13 April	Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC)	COVID-19 Information – COVID-19 and Cybersecurity/COVID-19 Related Exemptions from IIROC Rules/COVID-19 FAQs. Link
Channel Island of Jersey			Regulator has stated it will be flexible if notified within 10 days of original deadline and may accept unaudited financial statements.
Chile		Financial Market Commission (CMF)	15-day extension, until 14 April 2020, for submission of audited annual financial statements for all regulated companies with a 30 March deadline 2020. <u>Link</u>

China	9 April	People's Bank of China, Ministry of Finance, China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission, China Securities Regulatory Commission, State Administration of Foreign Exchange	Issuers can apply to stock exchanges to postpone 2019 annual report and 2020 Q1 reporting deadlines. Maximum extension is currently to 30 April 2020; however, government is discussing providing additional relief and extensions. Link  CSRS released a notice regarding extension of filing deadline for audited financial statements of Mainland listed entities. Those entities that are unable to disclose before the statutory deadline should publish a report to explain the reasons for the delay before 30 April 2020. Such report should be accompanied with a specific statement from the company's auditor which states the reasons for the delay of issuing the audit report, the status of the audit and the expected time of issuing the audit report.
Cyprus		Securities and Exchange Commission Superintenden	Extension to 30 June 2020 for audited financial statements and other reporting obligations of Cyprus Investment Firms. <u>Link</u> Cancellation of 7 April 2020 deadline for annual financial statements
		t of Insurance Companies:	and Solvency and Financial Condition Report (SFCR) in line with EIOPA statement. Link Reporting deadline: postponed 2 months
		Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus	Technical circular on financial reporting and audit. Link
Czech Republic	7 April	Ministry of Finance	Official statement that audit and tax advice are not banned by any of the COVID-19 actions and hence should continue.  The executive Committee of Chamber of Auditors issued recommendations on how to react to COVID-19 (since 12 March 2020 adjusting event).  The central bank encouraged listed companies to keep the 30 April filing deadline, however they will accept up to 2 months delay.
		Chamber of Auditors	Issued recommendations to auditors and preparers how to react on COVID. 31-Dec-2019 non-adjusting, since 12 March 2020 certainly adjusting event. Comprehensive disclosures and going concern uncertainty considerations needed.
Denmark		Foreningen af Statsautoriser ede Revisorer/Insti tute of State- Authorized Public Accountants (FSR)	Expectations around level of information in the accounts regarding COVID-19 risks and impact. Link
		Danish Business Authority (DBA)	Deadline to complete audits is extended by eight weeks subject to certain conditions and applicable for only very few issuers.  Information for companies including filing and AGM requirements. <u>Link</u> Deadlines for AGM can be postponed up to 8 weeks. More flexible
			rules on AGM (remote attendance/ voting by shareholders). <u>Link</u> Launches a website with information for companies. <u>Link</u>
			Reporting deadline postponed by 3 months.
Ecuador			Due date for listed and insurance companies' annual filings deferred to 31 May 2020.
Egypt			Due date for audited financial statements for listed entities deferred to 30 April 2020.

Estonia	2 April		General guidance issued that Covid-19 should be treated as non- adjusting post balance sheet event for 2019 YE and general reminders communicated regarding potential impact/audit response on going concern.
EU	3 April	Accountancy Europe	Coronavirus resources for European accountants <u>Link</u>
		Committee of European Auditing Oversight Bodies (CEAOB)	Statement includes considering postponing issuance of audit opinion. Link
	13 April	ESMA	Recommendations for Financial Market Participants: Business Continuity Planning; Market disclosure; Financial Reporting; Fund Management <u>Link</u>
			Guidance on financial reporting deadlines includes postponing deadline for annual reports for 2 months (1 month for half-year reports). In coordination with NCAs, ESMA encouraged to generally apply a risk-based approach concerning publication deadline of financial reports. Link
			Accounting implications on the calculation of expected credit losses in accordance with IFRS 9. $\underline{\text{Link}}$
			Issued a statement on the application of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments in the specific context of the COVID-19 outbreak. <u>Link</u>
		EBA	Published guidance on the application of accounting standards in the light of COVID-19. Link
	3 April	International Organization of Securities Commissions	Statement on the application of accounting standards <u>Link</u>
		Reporting deadline	Yearly reports postponed for 2 months, half-yearly reports postponed for 1 month
France	7 April	Market authority	Statement on continuity – includes ensuring regulatory reporting continues. <u>Link</u>
			Statement on filing of certain documents. <u>Link</u>
			Guidance: no need to be physically present. Possibility of voting by correspondence, proxy or online platforms. <u>Link</u>
			Clarifications on the accounting implications for the calculation of expected credit losses. <u>Link</u>
		Compagnie Nationale des Commissaires aux Comptes (CNCC)	CNCC statement - anticipate delays in closing accounts <u>Link</u> .
	6 April	Haut Conseil du Commissariat aux Comptes (H3C)	Issued press release – no inspection extension/adjournment. The usual one-month deadline has been postponed to two months after the end of the state of health emergency (i.e. expected around 24 July) related to the audit firms' responses to the draft inspection reports that have been received but not yet commented.  Reporting deadline postponed by 2 months
Germany		Institut der Wirtschaftsprü fer (IDW)	Guidance for auditors (in English) on consequences for business, going concern, changing audit opinion after reporting period. <u>Link</u> Effects of COVID-19 under IFRS 9. <u>Link</u>
Gibraltar			Currently no deferrals for inspections by audit regulators. Four weeks voluntary moratorium on signing Gibraltar statutory audit reports (to 26 April 2020) and two months extension of 30 April 2020 regulatory filing deadline to 30 June 2020.

Greece	Hellenic Capital Markets Commission	Press release giving extension by 2 months of publication of FY19 financial statements (i.e. up to 30 June 2020) for listed entities.
Guam		Generally corporate filings are deferred until July 2020, including tax and other regulatory filings' deadlines; audited financial statements deadlines have not been extended yet (typically due in June) but in general Guam follows US government rules and practices.
Guernsey		In general, audited financial statements to be submitted by end October 2020. For insurers, insurance intermediaries and managers, investment firms, funds and fiduciaries unaudited financial statements can be submitted by end May 2020 in unaudited form. Other entities also received one-month extension for filing unaudited financials.
Hong Kong	Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) and Hong Kong Exchange (HKEX)	Companies should inform HKEX if they are unable to publish preliminary results, including what information they are able to report and whether accuracy, completeness or presentation of financial material has been adversely affected.  If a listed company meets certain conditions (i.e. publishing unaudited financial information by 31 March 2020), annual reports for 2019 may be deferred by 60 days from 16 March 2020. Link  Guidance on holding AGMs, suggest for companies to consider adjournment or delay of AGMs. Link
	Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA)	The key message of the alert is the virus outbreak is generally a non-adjusting event for 31 December 2019 financial statements, and this guidance also contains more reminders on identifying the key trigger events, and on matters involving disclosures, going concern and interim reporting. Link
	Financial Reporting Council	Advice on issues for auditors, boards of directors and audit committees on key audit and accounting issues. Link
Hungary		Extensions (extend the deadline to 31 May 2020 for listed companies and 30 June 2020 for all others) are likely although no formal announcement made by government yet.
India	Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)  Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ICAI	Time period extended for mandatory filing of quarterly and annual financial results for listed entities - by 45 more days to file financial results for the quarter ending 31 March 2020 and 30 more days for filing the results for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Listed entities can now declare both quarterly and yearly results by 30 June 2020. Link Issued COVID-19 accounting and auditing advisory guidance. Link
	Ministry of Corporate Affairs	The new format of statutory audit reports of companies, Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 (CARO 2020) shall be made applicable from the financial year 2020-2021 instead of being applicable from financial year 2019-2020.
Indonesia	Financial Services Authority (OJK)	Due date for listed companies and banks audited financial statements deferred to 31 May 2020 and annual report deferred to 30 June 2020. AGMs also deferred to 31 August. <u>Link</u>
Ireland Isle of Man		Refers to UK FRC discussion below.  Regulated entities should notify government authorities if they are experiencing difficulties in complying with filing deadlines.
Israel	Israel Securities Authority (ISA)	Due date for listed company annual financial statements deferred to 30 April 2020. Link  Announced various exemptions, including a 30-day extension to reporting corporations for the publication of the periodic report for 2019 (until April 30, 2020) and a 60-day extension to investment advisors for the publication of the annual report on equity capital and insurance for 2019. Link  Requested that corporations whose operations are or may be materially affected should ensure that they are making due disclosures to investors Link

			Alert that it will not initiate or recommend the implementation of any enforcement measures related to the late submission of the Annual Equity Capital and Insurance Report and the Organizational Structure Report, on the condition that the licensed corporation submits the reports by May 31, 2020. Link
Italy		Government	Deadline to publish draft financial statements and auditors' opinion for listed entities remains unchanged (four months from year-end).
			Decree providing more flexibility for limited liability companies (PIEs and Non-PIEs) around deadlines for approval of 2019 financial statements at AGM (i.e. deadline for every company within 180 days of year end deferred until 31 July 2020).
			Decree provides some flexibility for managing AGMs by using new technology - allowing remote participation, electronic voting, use of proxies etc.
Japan		Financial Services Agency (FSA)	Affected companies can apply to postpone announcement of their yearly and quarterly earnings reports. Companies (listed and those applying for IPOs) will be asked to disclose potential impacts to their business and extensions granted based on facts and circumstances. Link
			Ten largest Japanese audit firms on April 8 have asked the JICPA to engage with the relevant parties to ask for additional measures including delay of filing requirements and AGMs.
		Tokyo Stock Exchange	Deadline extension for AGMs is also likely.  Mandatory filing of quarterly and annual financial results for listed entities - full year and quarterly financial results may be delayed until they are settled, despite normal deadlines, so this could be longer than 45 days, not restricted by a 45 day limit. Link
	13 April	Japan Institute of Certified Public Accountants	Audit Considerations related to new coronavirus infections (Part 1) <u>Link</u>
Jordan			Extensions likely although no formal announcement regarding new date made by government yet.
Kosovo			Due date for financial statements deferred to 30 June 2020.
Kuwait			Limited extension provided to some entities (10 days that typically falls in early April).
Latvia		Government	Statutory FS submission deadline extended by 3 months for non-PIEs. Possibility of extension for PIEs not yet clear.
			Government legislation - all companies can delay filing 2019 annual reports by 3 months.
Lithuania	2 April	Chamber of Auditors	Issued guidance to auditors on their website, mostly geared towards year-end 2019 audits: A determination has to be made by every company (and their auditors) on whether COVID-19 is adjusting event or not. Link
Luxembourg			Companies will have an additional administrative period of 4 months (for 2019-year ends) to make financial data filings for 2019 financial year at the RCS. Surcharge for late filing of financial data is exceptionally suspended, until 30 November 2020 for filing delays of up to 4 months.
			Draft law: extending the deadline for filing and publication of annual accounts, consolidated accounts and related reporting during the state of crisis.
	8 April	Commission	Q&A on COVID19 impact. <u>Link</u>
		de Surveillance du Secteur Financier	Extends submission of long-form reports, up to 4 months after the annual general meeting of the audited entity or fund.
		(CSSF)	Will not take any administrative measures or sanctions in relation to issuers' failure to comply with the upcoming deadlines for the

			publication of periodic information on transparency requirements for issuers (the "Transparency Law").
		Institut des reviseurs	Technical guidance. <u>Link</u>
		d'entreprises (IRE)	Liaising with Ministry of Justice and financial and insurance supervisory bodies to express concerns on several topics regarding audits and reporting
Macedonia			Due date for financial statements deferred to 24 April 2020.
Malaysia		Bursa Malaysia	Listed companies granted 1-month extension for issuance of quarterly and annual reports originally due on 31 March 2020 and 30 April 2020. Link  Due date for listed companies' audited financial statements extended by one month (application to extend should be filed with authorities).  Financial institutions with financial years ended 31 December 2019
			are granted an extension to 15 April 2020 for submission of audited financial statements.
		Companies Commission of Malaysia	Public companies can apply to SSM to extend period of holding AGM to beyond 6 months of company's financial year end. <u>Link</u>
	7 April	Audit Oversight Board (AOB)	AOB issued a circular to the auditors of PIE and the audit committee "Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Financial Reporting of Public Interest Entities". <u>Link</u>
		Companies Commission of Malaysia (CCM)	There will be a 30 day moratorium from the end of the Movement Control Order (MCO) for the submission of statutory documents by companies to CCM. For companies with financial years ended 30 September 2019 to 31 December 2020, the deadline for the submission of financial statements to CCM is extended by 3 months after the end of the MCO. Companies must apply with the CCM for the extension with no late filing fees imposed.
	13 April	Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (MASB)	Media Release - COVID-19: MFRS 9 Financial Instruments: Expected Credit Loss Considerations http://www.masb.org.my/pdf.php?pdf=MFRS9_ECL_COVID19_25Mar .pdf&file_path=pdf_file
Malta			Reporting deadline remains same – regulator stated the law allows postponement on a case-by-case basis for submissions due in March and April
Mauritius			Due date for listed companies filings deferred to 30 April 2020; regulator stated some flexibility may be allowed for other entities. Due date for audit report also extended to 30 April 2020. Central bank of Mauritius will not take regulatory action against financial institutions who have a delay in filing 31 December 2019 or 31 March 2020 reports (which are due on 31 March 2020 and 30 June 2020).
Mexico		National Banking and Securities Commission (CNBV)	Announced both temporary extraordinary measures and the suspension of certain filing deadlines for financial entities and persons subject to supervision by the CNBV due to COVID-19. Some of these measures include permission to submit filings electronically. Link
Netherlands		Nederlandse Beroepsorgani satie van Accountants (NBA)	NBA published NBA Alert 42, <i>Impact Coronavirus on accountancy work.</i>
New Zealand		Financial Markets Authority (FMA)	Market participants granted extra two months to provide audited financial statements. Relief intended to apply for entities and schemes with balance sheet dates from 31 December 2019 to 31 May 2020.
			For listed entities and PIEs with year-ends from 31 December 2019 to 31 May 2020, term to file audited financial statements has been extended from four months to six months after year-end.
			Updated on 3 April – extension to apply to all reporting entities within year-ends up to and including 31 July 2020. <u>Link</u>

Norway		Regulator	Some deadlines for reporting by banks and insurance companies to Finanstilsynet postponed. Refer to regulator page.
Oman			Government has provided extension to hold AGM.
Palestinian Ruled Territories			One-month extension to 30 April 2020 for listed companies, brokerage companies, and finance lease companies to file their financial statements with authorities. Additional extensions for audited financial statements likely due to 14-day state of emergency.
Panama			Due date for listed and other "regulated" companies' annual filings deferred to 30 April 2020.
Paraguay		National Securities Commission (CNV)	Due date for corporate annual filings deferred to 30 April 2020. Link
Peru			Government allowed flexibility in filing deadlines although no specific due date set yet.
Philippines		SEC	The due date for both PIEs and non-PIEs audited financial statements was deferred to 15 May; the deadline for the listed companies' filings with the SEC was extended to 30 June.
Poland	2 April	Polish Audit Supervision Agency	Issued a statement on audit quality, importance of going concern and COVID19 disclosures. <u>Link</u>
		Polish Chamber of Certified Auditors	Issued an alert on COVID19 impact. Link  Discussing with the regulators and authorities on extending the deadlines for tax and financial reporting.  Generally the deadlines have been extended (by 3 months) and there is currently draft of extension of stock exchange reporting.
Portugal		Portuguese Securities Market Commission (CMVN)	Established a site with information about the measures implemented regarding COVID-19. <u>Link</u>
		Bank of Portugal	Adopted measures to ensure financial institutions continue to support the economy, in line with those already communicated by European Central Bank and European Bank Authority. Link
		Authority of Insurance and Pension Funds	Issued communication adjusting reporting deadlines for certain financial information. <u>Link</u>
		Government	Adopted certain measures including extension of general shareholders meetings from 30 March 2020 until 30 June 2020.
		Order of Statutory Auditors	Issued two communications related to the COVID-19 crisis, including alerting to the potential impact on timing of the financial reporting process and respective audits. Link
Saudi Arabia			Statutory deadline extended for listed companies with fiscal year ends 31 December 2019 by one month to 30 April 2020.
Serbia			Extensions are likely although no formal announcement has been made by the government yet.
Singapore		Singapore Stock Exchange (SGX)	Extensions for issuers with 31 December 2019 financial year end to hold annual meetings by 30 June 2020. Annual audited reports still required to be finalized by 15 April 2020 unless the waiver below is granted. Link  Listed companies with their principal place of business or have
			significant operations in China can apply for a waiver to postpone their annual report to 15 June and hold their AGM on 30 June. Link
		Accounting and Corporate Regulatory	Issued guidance on holding AGMs given the maximum 10 individuals restriction imposed by the government. $\underline{\text{Link}}$
		Authority (ACRA), Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) & SGX	Announced both temporary extraordinary measures and the suspension of certain filing deadlines for financial entities and persons subject to supervision by the CNBV. Some of these measures include permission to submit filings electronically. ACRA is privately conveying this information to firms when asked.
			ACRA announced a 60 day extension of time for holding annual general meetings (due during the period 16 April to 31 July) and

			filing annual returns (due for the period 1 May to 31 August) for all Singapore companies. Link
	13 April	Institute of Singapore Chartered	Issued guidance on inaccessibility of component auditor's work papers and other considerations. <u>Link</u>
		Accountants (ISCA)	Issued guidance on accounting implications arising from COVID-19 for entities with 31 Dec 2019 year-end. <u>Link</u>
			Group Audits - Inaccessibility of Component Auditors' Work Papers and Other Considerations <u>Link</u>
Slovakia			Extensions likely although no formal announcement made by government yet; currently some reliefs are available for non-PIE auditors only.
Slovenia			Capital markets regulator sent out guidance for disclosures (same as ESMA).
South Africa		Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA)	Published guidance on the implications of the COVID-19 outbreak on audits, audit firms and regulatory requirements, Provisions cover the period 27 March 2020 to 16 April 2020. <u>Link</u> Published guidance for accountants and auditors wanting their services to be designated as essential. <u>Link</u>
		Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE)	JSE announced that issuers with year-ends of 31 December 2019 – 31 March 2020 will receive temporary relief of two months within which to complete their year-end financial reporting process should this be required by the issuers.
		Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA)	FSCA extended the period of compliance for various regulated entities by three months.
South Korea	9 April	Securities and Futures Committee (SFC)	On 25 March, 2020, the Korea SFC announced its decision to exempt 63 companies and related 36 accounting firms (as external auditors) from the administrative penalty for the December 2019 year end filing. Korea regulatory has not yet decided any relief or extension for the 1st quarter (Jan. ~ March) 2020 filing.
Spain	3 April	National Securities Market Commission (CNMV)	Relaxed deadlines for governing bodies of Listed Public Limited Liability Companies for publishing and sending their annual financial reports to the CNMV and for issuance of an auditor's report on listed companies' financial statements. All formal deadlines suspended for all public and private entities. When the "State of Alarm" resolves, companies and auditors will likely have 2-3 months to complete audits and issue financial statements.
			Deadlines for holding AGMs more flexible and remote attendance permitted (by electronic means), as well as remote voting by shareholders. CNMV invites shareholders to attend general meetings by proxy rather than in person. Link
			Joint statement with College of Registrars allow companies to postpone the filing or reformulate their accounts. Link
		Instituto de Censores Jurados de Cuentas de Espana	Issued a statement in relation to Royal Decree-Law 8/2020, considered highly relevant to audit and insolvency manager work at the present time. <u>Link</u>
Sweden	8 April	Swedish Corporate Governance	Rules 1.1-1.3 of the Code (requirements regarding shareholders' meeting and AGM) do not need to be applied and therefore no deviation from the Code will be deemed to have taken place if these rules are not applied, applicable throughout 2020.
		Nasdaq Stockholm OMX	The Finansinspektionen (Sweden's financial supervisory authority) and Nasdaq Stockholm OMX announced that they have the same view following ESMAs guidelines not to prioritise supervisory action.
			Nasdaq Stockholm OMX also announced that the issuers should inform Nasdaq Stockholm company oversite function if they plan to issue financial reports later than normal rules. For issuers listed on First North other sets of rules will apply: the financial report needs to

			be issued at the latest within 7 months after yearend closing and interim reports for Q2 with reporting period ending 31 December 2019 or later but before 1 April 2020 needs to be issued within 3
Switzerland		ExpertSuisse	months after the reporting period end.  Federal Council approved companies holding general meetings without physical presence by writing or in electronic form or through use of an independent proxy designated by the organizer. Link
Taiwan		Taiwan Stock Exchange	For listed companies only, extensions may be granted based on facts and circumstances. Link
Thailand		Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)	Companies with year-end between 1 Jan and 31 May can apply to defer their annual reporting deadline by 4 months. Those with quarter-end between 1 Jan and 31 May can apply to defer their quarterly reporting deadline by 3 months.  Listed companies may postpone their AGM based on their discretion,
			however, a written clarification of the reason for postponement must be submitted to the registrar. <u>Link</u>
Trinidad and Tobago			Some pressure on regulators to consider financial reporting extensions although no formal decision announced yet.
Turkey			Capital Markets Board provided listed entities 30 days extension for Q1 financial reports. 30 days extension was provided to portfolio management companies, brokerage firms, and investment funds' year-end deadlines. Banking regulator extended Q1 review deadlines for 60 days.
Ukraine			Extensions likely although no formal announcement made by government yet.
United Kingdom	9 April	FRC	Guidance on audit issues includes engaging with audit committees on reporting timelines. Working on additional reliefs. $\underline{\text{Link}}$
		Companies	FRC continues to finalize its inspection work for 2019/20 cycle with the aim of publishing results in July for the largest audit firms and in autumn in the Developments in Audit publication. For 2020/21 inspection FRC worked with audit firms to reduce the regulatory demands during this crisis and extended timetables to respond, staff are working remotely and only proceeding with individual elements of their work in the short term. FRC continues to make progress on the recommendations of the Kingman, CMA and Brydon reviews to ensure plans are well advanced by the time BEIS publishes its consultation on audit market reform. FRC paused requests for participation on projects and the publication of additional consultations and where new material is issued, FRC are reviewing the effective dates. Link  Further guidance issued for companies and auditors on 26 March. Link  FRC is considering how it can adjust its audit quality review work to reduce demands on audit firms; and it will pause for at least one month requests to firms on supervisory initiatives, such as operational separation of audit practices.  The BEIS Parliamentary Select Committee has delayed the deadline for written submissions in relation to the audit follow up inquiry till 31st July.  Companies House gave 3 months extension to file accounts. Link
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	8 April	FCA	Statement allowing main market listed companies an extra 2 months to publish audited annual financial reports. This gives main market listed companies 6 months to publish audited annual financial reports. Link  Announces a moratorium in corporate reporting - listed companies
			and auditors to consider delaying corporate reports for next two weeks, such as interim financial statements and final audited financial statements, except where necessary to meet legal or regulatory requirements. Link

			Issued statement setting out expectations for audits around working
			capital statements. Link
		Chartered Governance Institute	Provided updated guidance on:  - Possible measures to facilitate holding AGM  - Consider postponing AGM (with due consideration of regulatory deadlines)  - Consider holding hybrid (virtual and physical) AGM, if allowed by statute  - Government is considering legislative options on AGMs Link
		Bank of England Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA)	Sets out approach that should be taken by banks, building societies and PRA-designated investment firms in assessing expected loss provisions under IFRS 9. Lenders asked to consider need to treat covenant breaches which arise from COVID-19 crisis differently from other covenant breaches. Link On 2 April, PRA notified about the delay to implementation of the Basel 3.1. standards by 1 year. PRA also published statement outlining PRA's approach to regulatory reporting (up to 2-month delay for annual report and accounts) and Pillar 3 disclosures in response to the COVID-19.
	13 April	The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)	Links to Webinars and resources on Coronavirus on various topics (e.g., working from home, taxes, charities, auditors, industry) Link
		Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS)	ICAS issues updated guidance for auditors on attendance at stocktakes during the coronavirus outbreak <u>Link</u>
United States	13 April	Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)	Subject to certain conditions, SEC provides publicly traded companies with an additional 45 days to file. (Original relief provided on 4 March was further extended on 25 March.) Link  Issued staff guidance on current views regarding disclosure and other securities law obligations that companies should consider with respect to COVID-19. Link  Issued guidance allowing virtual annual meetings. Link  Issued additional guidance for conducting shareholder meetings. Link  Statement on the Importance of High-Quality Financial Reporting in Light of the Significant Impacts of COVID-19 Link  SEC Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Link
		Public Company Accountability Oversight Board (PCAOB)	PCAOB-registered audit firms provided with up to 45-day relief from inspections, with exception of providing access to audit documentation for certain engagements. Link  Joint SEC PCAOB release: Reminders for Audits Nearing Completion, emphasizing the obligations auditors have with PCAOB standards and rules, as well as other applicable regulatory and professional requirements. Link
Uruguay		Central Bank	requirements. Link  Extension of several filing deadlines for "supervised entities." This includes a 30-day extension for fiscal year end filings and for filings from public offering issuers and entities with government participation. The deadline for companies to publicly post annual governance reports was also postponed by 30 days while the deadline to post annual report on capital, risk management and other prudential requirements was postponed by 60 days. Link
Vietnam			Vietnam Association of Certified Public Accountants (VACPA) considering making a recommendation to Ministry of Finance for a blanket extension of statutory filing deadline.