

2015 IPSASB Governance Review Group

Recommendations	Status
1. The IPSASB should continue to operate under the auspices of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC).	In effect
2. A single governance body, the <i>Public Interest Committee</i> (the “Committee”), should be established to ensure that the public interest is served by the standard setting activities of the IPSASB.	In effect. PIC established in 2015.
3. The Committee should be independent from IFAC and distinct from the existing governance bodies overseeing the IFAC’s private sector standard-setting activities – that is the Public Interest Oversight Board (PIOB) and Monitoring Group (MG).	In effect
4. The Committee’s objectives should be to review and advise the IFAC and IPSASB on the (i) terms of reference of the IPSASB; (ii) arrangements for nomination and appointment of IPSAB members; and (iii) procedures and processes for formulation of the IPSASB’s strategy and work plan and development of IPSASs to ensure that all are consistent with the public interest. The Committee should not have a direct role in the development, adoption, and implementation of accounting standards.	In effect. The PIC Terms of Reference reflect these objectives.
5. The Committee should conduct a first review of the IPSASB terms of reference, nomination procedures, and standard-setting arrangements no later than the first semester of 2015, and provide advice to the IFAC and IPSASB on any potential improvements.	Completed
5. The Committee should meet at least annually thereafter to review progress against their recommendations and provide further guidance where necessary.	In effect
6. The initial membership of the Committee should include individuals with expertise in public sector financial reporting, and professional engagement in organisations that have an interest in promoting high-quality and internationally comparable financial information.	In effect
7. The functioning of the Committee should be defined in public Terms of Reference www.oecd.org/gov/budgeting/Public-Interest-Committee-ToRs.pdf	In effect.
8. To carry out its activities, the Committee should receive reports from the IFAC and the IPSASB regarding the procedures and processes followed in the appointment of IPSASB members, formulation of the IPSASB strategy and work plan, and development of individual accounting standards.	In effect
9. IFAC shall establish a separate Consultative Advisory Group (CAG) for the IPSASB. The role of the CAG should be to enable the IPSASB to receive direct feedback from interested public and private sector institutions, especially those engaged in the preparation, audit, or evaluation of public sector financial statements, on their strategy, work program, and standard-setting activities. The CAG would also provide an opportunity for IFAC and IPSASB to hear from government representatives about the technical issues that may have impeded their adoption of IPSASs.	In effect. The CAG was established in 2016 to provide advice to IPSASB, including on technical issues that may impede IPSAS adoption.