

IFRS 17: preparing for take-off

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IFRS 17 in numbers



In India, Ind AS 117 is expected to apply effective **1 April 2020** - Exposure Draft € 50-320 mn Per member estimate of IFRS 17 implementation costs - CFO Forum, July 2018

Global insurance groups included in 2016 field testing of draft IFRS 17

2,520

European (re)insurers participated in QIS 5 (as well as 167 groups)

3 measurement models:

- Building block approach
- Premium allocation approach
- Variable fee approach

3 transition choices:

- Full retrospective approach
- Modified retrospective approach
- Fair value approach

3 basic reading material to go through:

- IFRS 17 Standard
 - Basis for Conclusions
 - Illustrative Examples

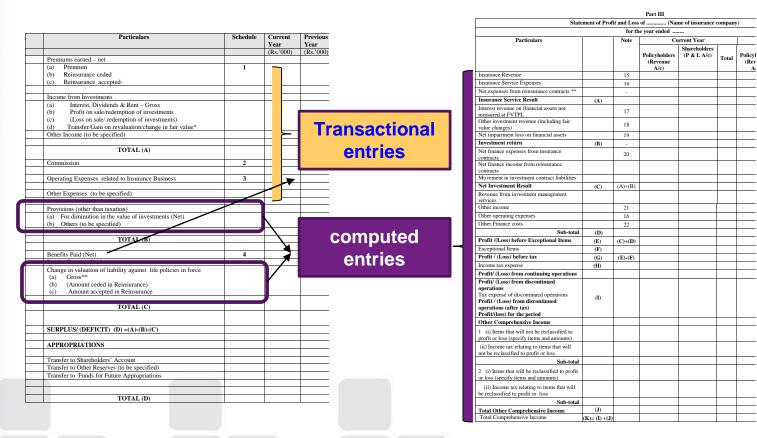
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Why is IFRS 17 such a significant transition?

Revenue account: current

IFRS 17 statement of profit and loss

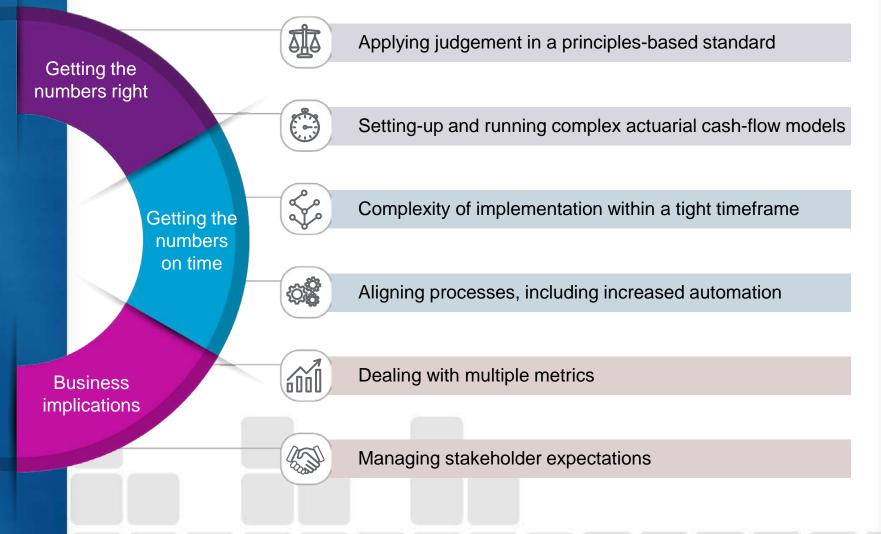


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Key implementation challenges:

More than just a compliance exercise





Getting the numbers right:

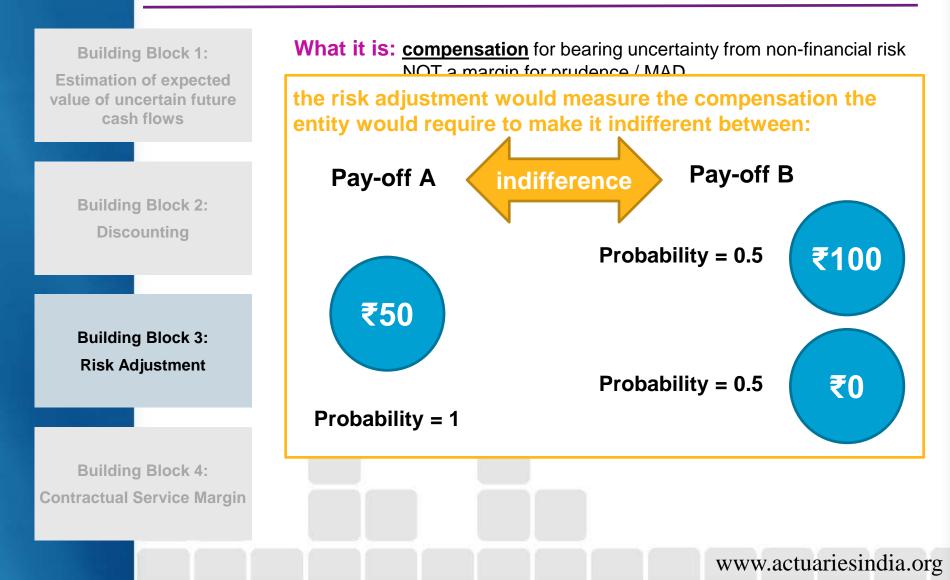
Applying judgement in a principle-based standard



Separation Unbundling investment components – no longer optional – mandatory or prohibited. Unbundling insurance components within a single contract?	Aggregation Aggregation of contracts into portfolios and disaggregation into groups core to all initial and subsequent measurement	Onerous contracts Level of granularity required for assessment? Ability and effort required to identify "sets". Impact on profit recognition	Contract boundaries Different to Solvency reporting? Potentially significant impact on life contracts with riders.	PAA or not PAA? Use is optional if conditions are met. How to assess contracts over one year? What is variability in cash flows?
Reinsurance contracts held Explicit treatment of contracts, cash flows and liabilities. Potential mismatch issues?	Direct participating features Are criteria for VFA met? Do product bonus rules satisfy conditions?	CSM Major area of complexity. Calculation, unlocking and amortisation. Where to perform calculations and track movements?	Discounting Top down or bottom up? Need to update discount rates for each period. OCI or P&L for unwinding? Parallel use of historical and current	Interaction with IFRS 9 Potential mismatches? Option to defer adoption. Impact on results with/without OCI option?
Acquisition costs Attributable acquisition costs may be different to current deferrable. Expense or not (PAA only)?	Risk adjustment Determined at which level? Set by group? How to recognise diversification benefits? Not a "prudence buffer"!	Presentation What will the P&L look like? What is the impact of excluding investment components? What is impact on KPIs?	Disclosures Onus on the entity to meet the overall requirements. Reconciliation tables more granular than current disclosures	Transition Is a retrospective approach practicable? Which data do I need to collect and when? What are the alternatives?

Applying judgement in a principle-based standard e.g. Building Block 3: Risk Adjustment

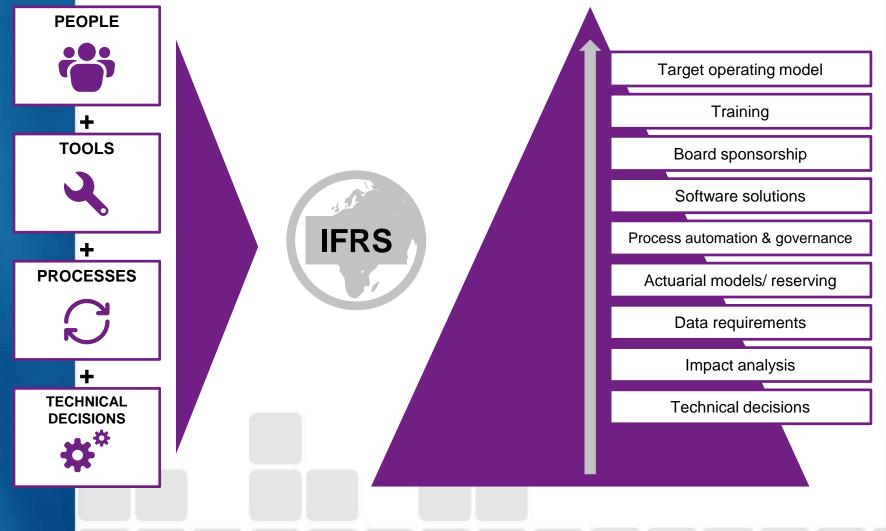




Getting the numbers on time:

Implementation would require a holistic approach



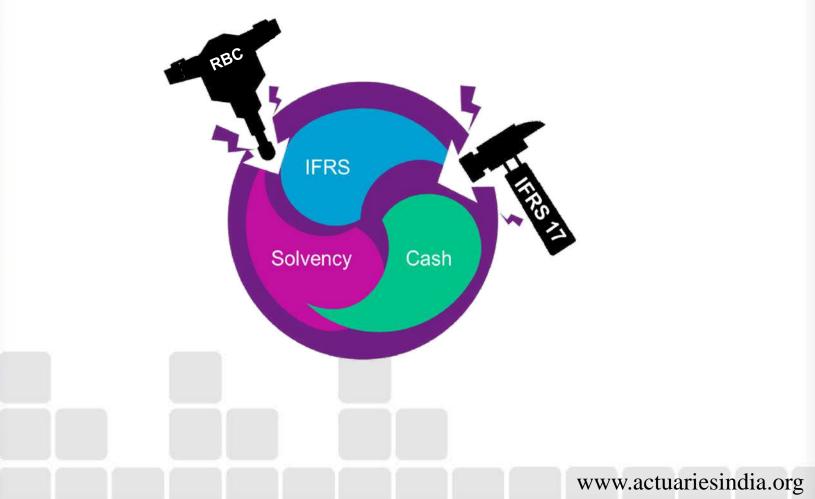


Business implications

Dealing with multiple metrics – impact on KPIs



In the current environment, implementation could lead to de-coupling of the regulatory balance sheet and the accounting balance sheet



Business implications

Possible multiplicity of liability measurements



Degree of alignment between regulatory and accounting balance sheets:

	Current	Expected (?)
Canada	\checkmark	desirable
UK	×	×
Continental Europe	×	×
Japan	\checkmark	IFRS 17 not mandatory
South Korea	\checkmark	×
Hong Kong	\checkmark	X
Singapore	\checkmark	×
Malaysia	\checkmark	√ (?)
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Implementation risk:

Too late shouldn't end up like this:



