

# IFRS 17

## Insurance Contracts

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## Introduction IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts



- » IFRS 17
  - » replaces an interim Standard—IFRS 4
  - » requires consistent accounting for all insurance contracts based on a current measurement model
  - » will provide useful information about profitability of insurance contracts
- » Effective 2023
  - » one year restated comparative information
  - » early application permitted

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## IFRS 17 Programme

### Session 1 & 2

Introduction to IFRS 17 and Important concepts

### Session 3 & 4

Measurement of contracts (general approach)

### Session 5 & 6

Measurement of contracts (premium allocation approach)

### Session 7

Reinsurance

### Session 8

Transition

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# Transition

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## Transition

- » Applying IFRS 17 for the first time
- » Full retrospective approach
- » Alternative approaches
  - » Modified retrospective approaches
  - » Fair value approach
- » Process of determining the approach
- » Other topics

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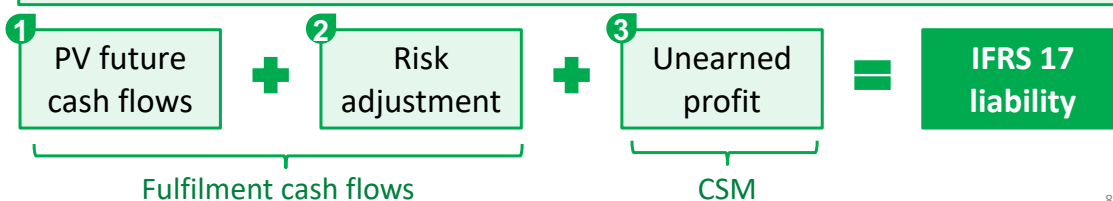
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## Core Requirements

Reminder: 'Building block Approach'

All insurance contracts measured as the sum of:

- » Fulfilment cash flows (FCF)
  1. Present value of probability-weighted expected cash flows
  2. Plus an explicit risk adjustment for non-financial risk (eg insurance risk)
- » Contractual service margin (CSM)
  3. The unearned profit from the contracts



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## Applying IFRS 17 for the first time

	1 PV of future cash flows	2 Risk adjustment	3 CSM
Existing contracts (eg contracts written before 2022)	✓ Usual IFRS 17 measurement	✓ Usual IFRS 17 measurement	✗ Transitional requirements
New business (eg contracts written after 2022)	✓ Usual IFRS 17 measurement	✓ Usual IFRS 17 measurement	✓ Usual IFRS 17 measurement

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## IFRS 9 and IFRS 17

	2017	2018	.....	2022	2023
Financial Instruments	IAS 39	IFRS 9			
Insurance contracts	IFRS 4	IFRS 4 as amended			IFRS 17

**Overlay approach**

Available to all issuers of insurance contracts

Available until IFRS 17 is applied

Recognises in OCI, instead of P&L, volatility that could arise when IFRS 9 is applied before IFRS 17 (for assets moved to FVPL)

**Temporary exemption from IFRS 9**

Available to companies whose activities are predominantly connected with insurance

Available until IFRS 17 is applied

- IAS 39 is applied rather than IFRS 9
- Additional disclosures provided to enable comparisons with companies using IFRS 9

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## Applying IFRS 17 for the first time

Annual reporting periods **beginning** in:

2022

2023

<b>Transition date</b>	<b>Date of initial application (DIA)</b>
Beginning of immediate preceding period	Start of annual period entity first applies 17
<p><b>Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measure each group of contracts applying IFRS 17</li> <li>Derecognise existing balances as if IFRS 17 always applied</li> <li>Recognise net difference in equity</li> </ul>	<p><b>Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publish first IFRS 17 financial statements</li> <li>Restate at least one-year of comparatives</li> </ul>

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## Applying IFRS 17 for the first time

Determine transitional method by group of contracts

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Fully retrospective Approach

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## 1 Fully retrospective approach

- » A full retrospective approach measures in-force contracts on the transition date as if an entity had always applied IFRS 17
- » The principle of retrospective application is set out in IAS 8 Accounting policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- » An entity will need to assess
  - » The type of contract and which model to apply
  - » What group the contract would have been allocated to
- » Depending on the applicable model

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**1 Fully retrospective approach**

Determine	General Model	PAA	VFA	Reinsurance
CSM	✓	✗	✓	✓
Loss component	✓	✓	✓	✗ <sup>1</sup>
Discretionary cash flows	✓	✗	✗	✗
Accumulated OCI	✓	✓	✓	✓
Risk mitigation	✗	✗	✓	✗

<sup>1</sup> A loss component doesn't normally arise for reinsurance contracts held although an onerous contract loss and a loss component can arise for reinsurance of events that occurred before purchase of reinsurance.

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**1 Fully retrospective approach**

1. Assess

Initial recognition	Each intervening reporting period	Transition date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Which model to apply?</li> <li>• Which groups do contracts that exists at transition belong to?</li> <li>• Definition of discretionary cash flows</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No further action after initial assessment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No further action after initial assessment</li> </ul>

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## 1 Fully retrospective approach

1. Determine the CSM or loss component

Initial recognition	Each intervening reporting period	Transition date
Calculate CSM/Loss comp • Identify all contracts in each group • For each group, determine inception: • Cash flows • Discount rates • Risk adjustment To get opening balance	Calculate CSM/Loss comp Adjust opening balance for changes in: • Cash flows • Risk adjustment • Accretion of interest • Allocation to P/L • To determine closing balance	Calculate CSM/Loss comp Opening balance

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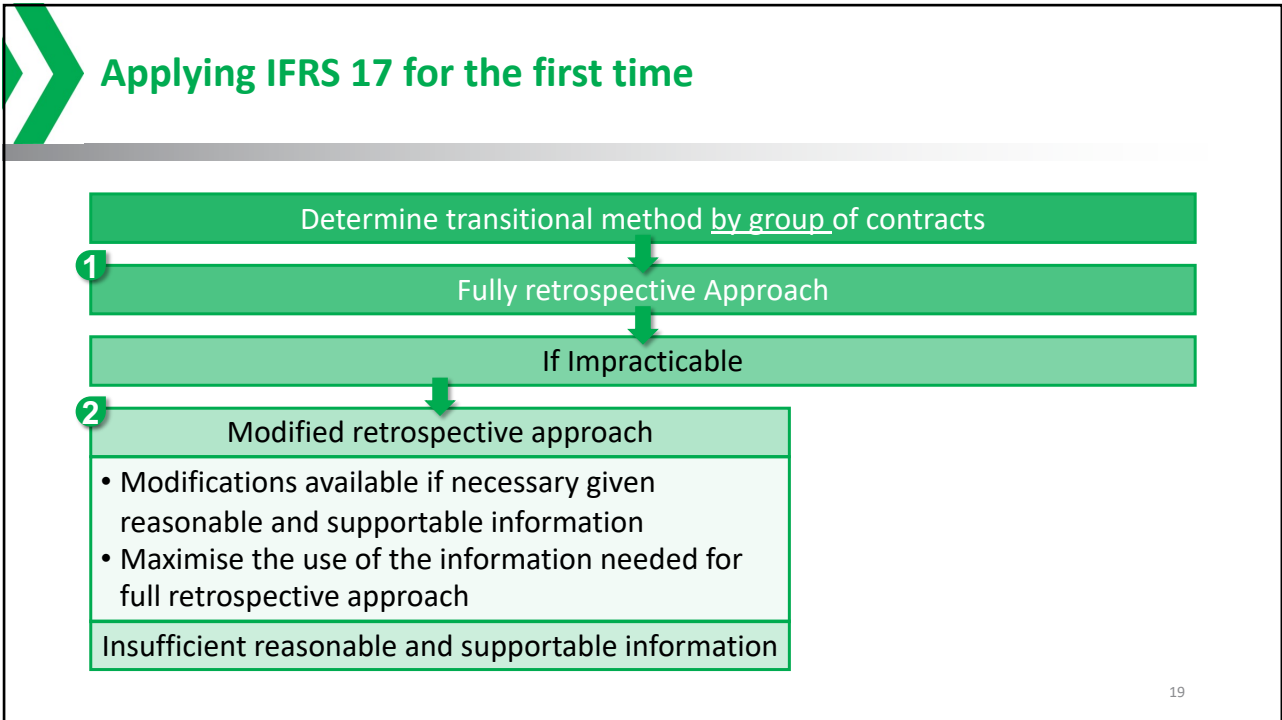
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      B --> C[If Impracticable]
    
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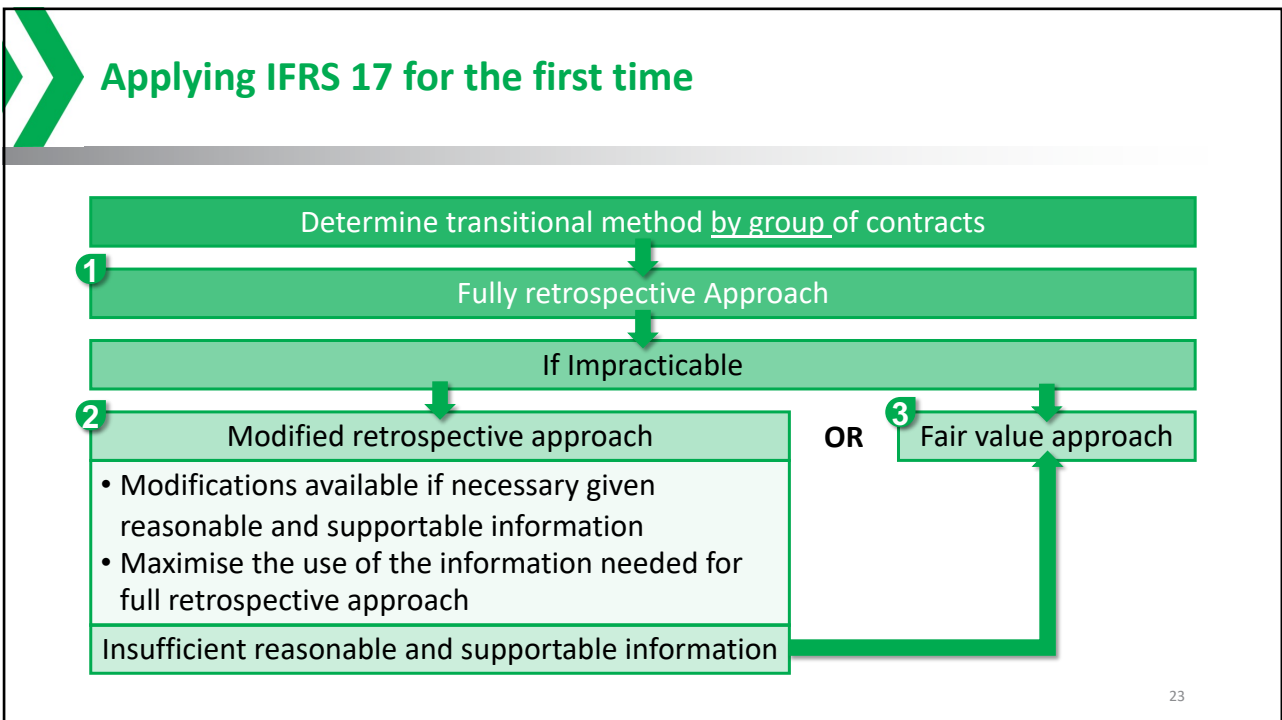
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