

## **Technical Update Evening 2006**

#### **August 2006 to December 2006**

Updates on the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs standard-setting activities: Financial Reporting, Auditing and Ethics

# What is TUE? What does it aim to provide?

- Each session addresses one or two main themes of topical interest, with an emphasis on recently released standards and guidance. The sessions will be conducted by the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs Technical Directors
- Sessions will usually include both presentations and question-and-answer segments and members are encouraged to participate actively in these sessions
- Sessions will be limited to 100 participants to enable members to participate and raise technical issues in a relatively informal after-office-hours setting
- The sessions are designed to supplement the other channels the Institute uses to provide technical information to members, including TechWatch, the Technical Query Service, the Institute's magazine A Plus and other forms of CPD

## Who should attend?

- **Members in practice**
- Financial statements preparers
- Financial controllers
- Members and Registered Students who wish to keep abreast of Hong Kong Institute of CPAs' latest technical developments

#### **Your Hosts of TUE 2006**



**Steve Ong** Assistant Director Standard Setting

**Elaine Chan** Assistant Director Standard Setting

**Elsa Ho** Assistant Director Standard Setting

Patricia McBride Director Standard Setting

During TUE 2006, each of your hosts will present sessions in their areas of expertise. As you can see from the following pages, the programme covering August to December 2006 addresses issues relating to financial reporting, auditing and ethics.

Tony Harrod, the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs' General Counsel, will join your hosts to discuss the Financial Reporting Council Ordinance. We urge you to join us in these sessions, as we learn from your questions and comments and we hope that you learn from our expertise.

#### **TUE Registration**

Applications for registration will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis as seats are limited to 100. In case of over-subscription, consideration may be given to arranging a re-run session. Applications for registration will be accepted only from Hong Kong Institute of CPAs members and students. The success of TUE 2006 depends on active participation. If you have a basic understanding of the subject before attending, you will find the interaction with your host(s) more productive.

For members and students who wish to attend a TUE, please complete the enclosed TUE Registration Form and return it to the Member Services Department of the Institute on or before the application deadline, together with either your credit card details or a cheque. Applications for registration by fax will be accepted only for Institute Visa card payments.

Confirmation will be sent by e-mail unless your application for registration is unsuccessful. Unless the session is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, no refund will be given after your registration has been confirmed.

### **TUE Programme for 2006**

Time: 7:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.

Venue: Hong Kong Institute of CPAs Training Centre,
27/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong
Fee: HK\$120 per session

HKICPA CPD Hour: 1 hour

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For more information on the current and future TUE programme, please visit www.hkicpa.org.hk/professionaltechnical/TUE/index.php

TUE No.	Date	Topic	Speaker
	Wednesday 20 September 2006	Commonly asked financial reporting questions  From time to time, the HKICPA receives technical queries on the application of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and the Financial Reporting Framework and Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium sized Entities. The HKICPA staff will respond to such technical queries in accordance with the HKICPA staff policy on handling technical queries, a copy of which can be found in <a href="http://www.hkicpa.org.hk/professionaltechnical/policy/techqs.pdf">http://www.hkicpa.org.hk/professionaltechnical/policy/techqs.pdf</a> . This session will go through a number of commonly asked financial reporting questions, especially those received in the first half of 2006, and the staff responses to those questions.  Application deadline: 15 September 2006	Elsa Ho
619	Thursday 21 September 2006	Application of the conceptual framework to independence  The Institute has applied for some time a conceptual framework to independence that requires the consideration of threats and safeguards under the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants and the superseded Professional Ethics Statement 1.203A. This session will go through some of the common circumstances that may create threats to independence with respect to assurance engagements undertaken by professional accountants in public practice and the application of the conceptual framework to those circumstances. It will also go through some of the technical queries that HKICPA staff has received on the application of the conceptual framework.  Application deadline: 14 September 2006	Elaine Chan

TUE No. **Date** Topic Speaker Fair Value Measurement Guidance Patricia McBride 620 Session FULL Session Full A number of HKFRSs contain requirements to measure specified assets and liabilities at fair value. This has created concerns as to how fair values should be **625** (Re-run) Tuesday computed if they are not readily available. The IASB is 14 November expected to release an Exposure Draft providing guidance 2006 on applying fair value measurements very shortly and the HKICPA will release a similar Exposure Draft immediately thereafter. The purpose of the Exposure Draft is to assist entities in applying the fair value measurements required or permitted by various financial reporting standards. At present, the guidance that is available is spread across a number of standards, leading to inconsistencies in measuring fair value. This Exposure Draft is designed to provide codified and consistent guidance for measuring fair value. The Exposure Draft will not change the application of fair value measurement requirements. That is, it will not address when fair value measurement is required or permitted and it will not consider how changes in fair value should be recognised. This session will explain the proposals in the Exposure Draft. This will include: • a discussion of the extent to which the proposals resolve the practical issues in applying fair value measurement; and an examination of the changes proposed by the Exposure Draft to existing financial reporting standards. **Application deadline: 9 November 2006** 621 The New Audit Report Standards – HKSA 700 and **Steve Ong** vember 2006 HKSA 701 This session will introduce the key features of the new Audit Report Standards, HKSA 700 "The Independent 626 (Re-run) Tuesday Auditor's Report on a Complete Set of General Purpose 21 November Financial Statements" and HKSA 701 "Modifications to 2006 the Independent Auditor's Report". Both HKSA 700 and HKSA 701 will replace SAS 600 "Auditors' reports on financial statements". This session will cover: • The major differences between unqualified Audit Reports issued under HKSA 700 as compared to SAS 600 The major differences between qualified Audit Reports issued under HKSA 701 as compared to SAS 600

> Circumstances where an auditor's report may be modified by adding an emphasis of matter paragraph

**Application deadline: 16 November 2006** 

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622	Tuesday 28 November 2006	Financial Reporting Council Ordinance  The passage of the Financial Reporting Council Ordinance was the last stage of a regulatory reform package first promoted by the Institute over three years ago. In this post-Enron world, the Financial Reporting Council will investigate standards of financial reporting and audits of listed companies, while the Institute will retain responsibility for audits of non-listed companies and acting as prosecutor in disciplinary proceedings. The session will outline developments during the Bill's passage through LegCo. The principal provisions of the Ordinance will be outlined and the structure of the FRC will be explained as will the FRC's powers and members' obligations in these respects. Reference will also be made to the Institute's funding obligations, the arrangements for which necessitated amendments to the Professional Accountants Ordinance.  Application deadline: 23 November 2006	Tony Harrod
623 627 (R	Session FULL 2006 e-run) Tuesday 16 January 2007	Financial Reporting Review 2006  This session will provide an overview of the changes in financial reporting 2006. In particular, this session will highlight the new standards, amendments to, and interpretations of, HKFRSs that are effective for the periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006 and therefore may need to be considered for the first time in the preparation of the 2006 annual financial statements. This session will also highlight the exposure drafts issued in 2006 but not yet become effective so as to give some indication as to the likely developments in future financial reporting.  Application deadline: 11 January 2007	Elsa Ho

#### **TUE Registration Form** August 2006 - December 2006

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