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Reforms status and highlights

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Summary of alignment status

GENERAL COMPLIANCE WITH EU FRAMEWORK

- Definition of SMEs harmonized with the NEW accounting directive: N (*in process*)
- Accounting standards used for SMEs: Y (NAS)
- Format of financial statements aligned with EU accounting directive: Y
- Adoption of a micro-regime: Y (NAS 15)
- Audit Standards used: Y (ISA)

Summary of alignment status

	Transposition tables prepared	Laws drafted	Public consultations	Law passed
Accounting Directive	Prepared	Yes (new law on accounting)	Ongoing	No
IAS Regulation				
Audit Directive	Prepared	Law on statutory audit	Yes	Yes
Audit Regulation	Yes	Law on statutory audit	Yes	Yes



Summary of alignment status

- The New Law on Accounting, which is being drafted with the support of WB, aims to align considerably the accounting directive:
 - Aligning the thresholds
 - Introducing the concept of PIEs
 - Management report
 - Non-financial statements
 - Reports from extracting industries
 - Etc



Summary of alignment status

- » New amendments on statutory audit have been approved by the Parliament:
 - » Aligned the non - practitioner, PIEs and statutory audits concepts with the audit directive;
 - » The POB capacities (financial and professional) are being strengthened:
 - » Own financial resources (levy on the auditors of PIEs)
 - » Supporting secretariat (administrative and oversight functions)
 - » Quality assurance will be an exclusivity of POB for PIE, and it will be delegated to PAO for the other entities (POB can remove this right from PAO at any moment)



Success Story

The ongoing project EQFINREP in cooperation with WB is in an important phase:

- Improving Universities curricula in line with IAESB standards (ongoing)
- Increasing transparency and quality of published financial statements (ongoing)
- Support on regulators (POB, BoFA, AFSA) (ongoing)
- Revising and updating the CAP (ongoing)

Thank you.