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• As a result of the adoption of the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On Accounting" in 2004, the country began the process of introducing International Financial Reporting Standards. We began the process of implementation of National Accounting Standards for Commercial Organizations developed based on IFRS, as well as National accounting standards for budgetary organizations

based on International Public Sector Accounting Standards. As a result, organizations began preparing financial statements in accordance with the above-

mentioned standards.

Thus, the implementation of a unified state accounting policy led to fundamental changes in this area.

### **Achievements in Accounting Profession**

- As accounting reforms and transformations aim to achieve compliance with international accounting standards, the following important measures are being introduced: modern accounting and reporting models, new centralized and user-friendly information system, capacity building and enhancing management skills, and development of software to implement automated reporting processes.
- To facilitate accounting at a higher level and to automate of preparing financial and other reports, "Financial and accounting reports for budgetary organizations" software system (FBOBO) was created as part of the "Reporting in corporate and budgetary sectors" project of the Ministry of Finance.
- Upon introduction of this system, accounting in budget-funded organizations is done according to uniform principles of international accounting standards, and financial statements are also prepared in accordance with the standards. Preparation of financial statements is automatic to facilitate their timely submission.
- All of the above tasks and goals encourage efficient management of financial and human resources, preventing loss of time and resources, and ensuring timely accounting and reporting by organizations.

## Continued reforms and transformations

- In order to continue the reforms and transformations started with the adoption of the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On Accounting" in 2004, the Law "On Amendments and Changes to the Existing Law" was adopted on May 04, 2018.
- This Law provides for a complete transition to International Financial Reporting Standards, and the adoption of new accounting rules.

### **Applicable Standards**

According to the Law, three types of International Standards are applied

International Financial Reporting Standards International
Financial
Reporting
Standards for
Small and
Medium
Enterprises

International Public Sector Accounting Standards

### **Applicable Accounting Rules**

The Law requires application of Accounting Rules for the purposes of accounting by existing accounting entities

Accounting
Rules based on
International
Financial
Reporting
Standards

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International
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Reporting
Standards for small
and medium-sized
businesses

Accounting rules based on International Public Sector Accounting Standards

Rules of accounting for micro business entities

Rules of accounting for political parties

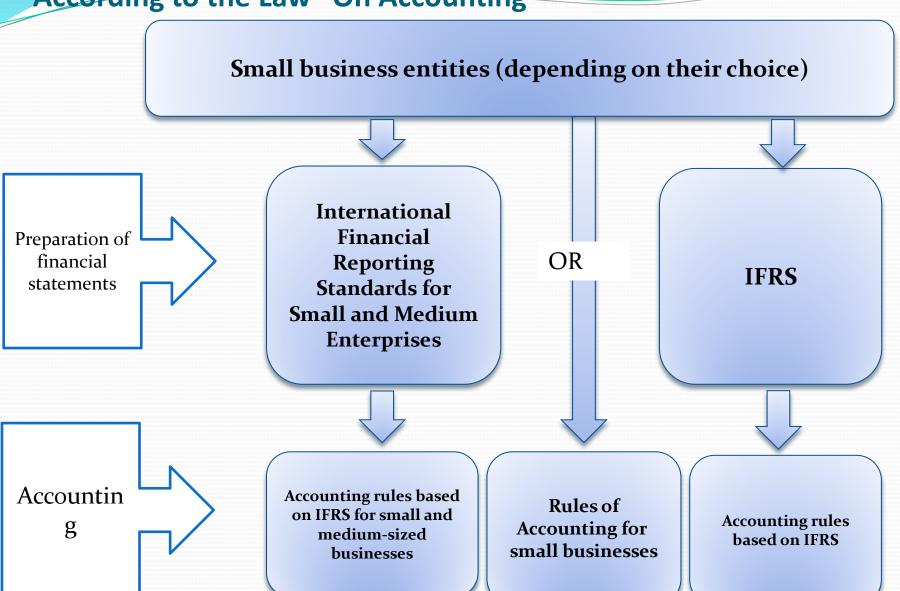
### **Public Interest Entities**

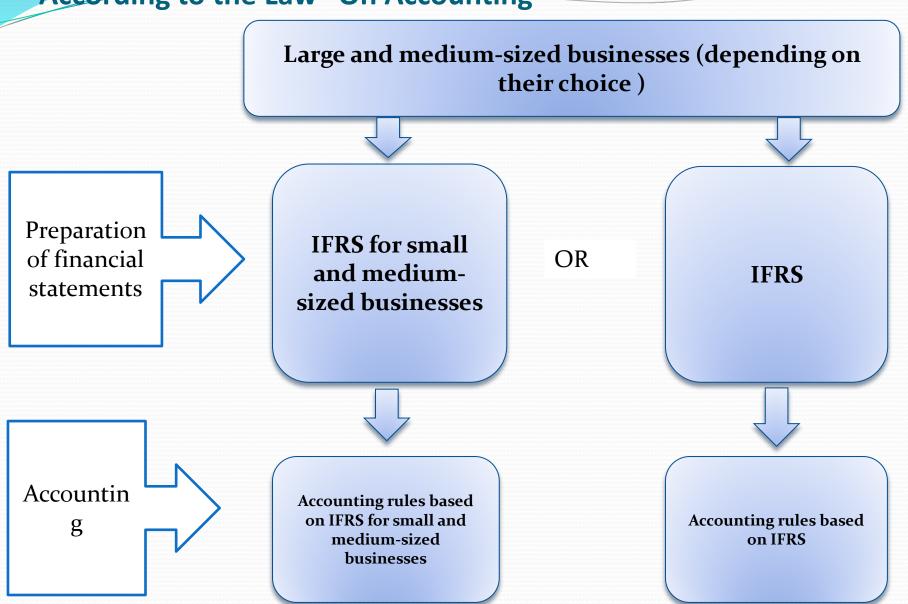


### International Financial Reporting Standards

Accountin g

Accounting rules based on IFRS





### **Non-Commerical Organizations**

Municipal bodies and budget-supported organizations

Non-governmental organizations

Political parties

Other noncommerical organizatio ns

Preparatio n of financial statement s

International Public Sector Accounting Standards Reporting form established by the relevant Government authority Reporting form established by the relevant Government authority

International standards provided for by this Law, depending on the specifics of work

Accounti ng

Accounting rules based on International Public Sector Accounting Standards Accounting rules approved by the relevant Government authority in accordance with the general principles of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards

Accounting rules for political parties

Relevant accounting rules depending on the chosen International standards

#### **Professional Accountant Certificate**

Chief accountants of legal entities, the controlling stake (shares) of which is owned by the State, PIEs except for legal entities whose securities are admitted to circulation on stock exchanges

Chief accountants of large and medium commercial organizations Chief accountants of budgetary organizations

Chief accountants of public entities publishing annual financial statements or consolidated financial statements