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Impact on analyst profession





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A Challenging Time for Capital Formation in the EU



¹ https://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/reportonfinancialstructures201610.en.pdf

² http://www.pwc.co.uk/capitalmarkets/publications/ipo-watch-europe.html

³ <u>https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/blog/future-equity-research/</u>

⁴ https://assets.kpmg.com/content/dam/kpmg/xx/pdf/2017/01/venture-pulse-q4-2016-report.pdf

⁵ http://ec.europa.eu/finance/capital-markets-union/index en.htm



Huge Opportunity for Enhanced Capital Markets in EU

Fintech Rapid Technical Development

Artificial Intelligence Big Data Capabilities DLT (aka Blockchain) Cloud/APIdriven data interactions "Consumerised"
Systems
(Including
Mobile)

"Digital First" is an underlying assumption for all of these developments



Structured Data – Essential Plumbing



Don't waste ESEF!

Golden opportunity to deepen trust and understanding of market participants. Deepen engagement with investment community via the flow of structured data.

Think: Discovery
Think: Access
Think: Utility
Think Digital!

Users are investing heavily in AI & in Big Data Analytics. This tech needs structured data.

"Fundamental" Data might be 10-20% of models, but it is called "Fundamental" for a reason.

Take international lessons to heart: it's not going away, make it work for you.

Face financials are just the start – think EBITDA, think Earnings, think ESG Focus on data quality
Focus on
comparability
Focus on messaging

Think Big!







Please Take Away These Three Points

- 1. The opportunities that ESEF represents for enhanced market access and capital formation across Europe are both large and important.
- 2. Although digital reporting data is just "plumbing", this is **vital infrastructure** for improved market functioning, to risk management and to wider business and government interactions.
- 3. Europe can create a lasting competitive advantage if the shift to digital reporting is smooth. **Don't treat this as a compliance exercise**. Think of it as a **direct line** to the investment community. Issuers and users need to collaborate to ensure markets fully benefit from this shift.



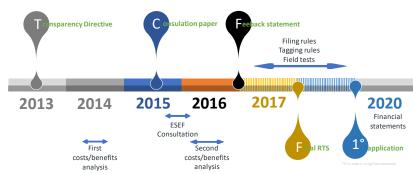
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European Single Electronic Format (ESEF)



Reason for ESEF:

- The Transparency Directive requires issuers on regulated markets to prepare their annual financial reports in a single electronic reporting format as of January 1, 2020.
- ESMA (2016)
 - Is developing Regulatory Technical Standard to specify structured electronic reporting format,
 - Undertook Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA)
 - Consulted stakeholders through a Consultation Paper.
 - Assessed all possible electronic reporting formats
 - Conducted appropriate field tests
- ESMA 2018 ...



USERS requirements vs ESMA Policy objectives



Policy:

- Electronic reporting must be easier for issuers compared to current practices
- Electronic reporting must facilitate accessibility to investors
- Electronic reporting must facilitate analysis for investors and competent authorities
- Electronic reporting must facilitate comparability of AFR
- Electronic reporting for banks, financial intermediaries and insurers must take specifics into account

Users





- » Electronic reporting should save costs
- » Electronic Reporting must serve as a basis for audits. Electronic assurance is logical and a must
- Though user views were not the same everywhere, larges user organisations shared common view.

Do USERS want more?



- EXTRA's
 - Non financial and strategic reporting becomes more important

Extend please!

- Agreement on the technology used?
- Yes if adequately used in a uniform way.

- IFRS taxonomy is the basis

- Yes, but add certain non Gaap measures.
- Entity specific extensions not in ESEF

OK for now, but to be reviewed in the future.

- Different stages conso and non conso?

Preferably all in one stage for comparability.

ESEF also for third country GAAP?needed

EU core taxonomy for national GAAP's

- Phased approach for SME?

Focus on listed companies,
same format for large and small

Fairly comparable view by most representative user organisations.

We know that existing data providers will consume and resell all of this data – it should be more accurate and more useful.

We can be confident that new Fintech firms will offer this data with new valueadds.

We can be sure that new and simpler ways to consume data are close at hand.



Do USERS want more?

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· Fairly comparable view by most representative user organisations.



How quickly can our markets make that transition?

How can we ensure that the data is higher quality and higher value?

How quickly can we integrate other forms of newly "fundamental information" in digital form? Intangibles? Integrated Reports? TCFD disclosures?



Companies impacted by ESEF

- 1. Educate your Team Now
- 2. Minimise Outsourcing.
- Maximise Integration of Structured Data and Standardised Terms in Internal and External Reporting – Disclosure Management and Beyond.
- 4. Rethink Reporting What can you automate, improve and integrate in your operations?
- 5. Develop Skills to Consume the Data, not just Produce it Pre-empt Digitally Savvy Analysts and Investors Benchmark, Compare, Contrast.



Regulators impacted by ESEF

- 1. Educate Your Team Now
- 2. Please work hard to ensure consistency across member states!
- 3. Please encourage comparability in disclosures!
- 4. Rethink your analysis and quality review processes add data scientists into the mix
- 5. How can you accelerate the shift to digital to help create an EU-wide financial markets advantage? Other disclosures? Open Data?

Users impacted by ESEF

- 1. Educate your team now
- 2. Make the leap beyond the spreadsheet. Make your team experts in digital analytics and beyond (ML, Big Data)
- 3. Encourage quality and comparability in digital disclosures question companies about their ESEF filings
- 4. Demonstrate to companies and to regulators what you can do and what you'd like to be able to do with structured data
- 5. Do all of this and then... surprise your clients with insights, over the horizon thinking and new ways to enhance capital allocation!



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WHAT IS iXBRL, OR STRUCTURED REPORTING?







(in € millions)	Notes	2014	2013	2012
SALES	4	18,828.9	18,028.6	17,364.5
Cost of sales	5	(17,271.8)	(16,636.1)	(16,038.7)
Research and development costs	5	(235.5)	(254.0)	(239.6)
Selling and administrative expenses	5	(648.3)	(600.2)	(569.9)
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		673.3	538.3	516.3
Other non-operating income	6	5.1	4.8	15.5
Other non-operating expense	6	(91.6)	(111.6)	(102.7)
Income on loans, cash investments and marketable securities		8.0	9.0	10.2
Finance costs		(191.1)	(196.9)	(175.4)
Other financial income and expense	7	(60.5)	(46.4)	(31.9)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TAX OF FULLY CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES		343.2	197.2	232.0



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