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Reference	Comment	
General Comment		
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1.5.		
1.6.	It is possible that alternative valuation methods (such as, those determined in accordance with local GAAP), may be used to determine fair value, so long as they are consistent to the exit price notion under Solvency II and IFRS 13. Hence, reference to fair value should not be restricted only to IFRS or adjustments to IFRS.	
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Guideline 1		
Guideline 2		
Guideline 3	With respect to plant and equipment, depreciated cost should be explicitly allowed as a proxy to the economic value. Their revaluation, should the need so arise, would result in significant administrative and cost burden on users with no real benefits to such economic valuation.	
Guideline 4	We believe that it should be possible to adjust the economic value of property from the date of last valuation to the reporting date, using appropriate benchmarks (e.g. property indices), so long as full appraisal are performed at sufficient frequency to meet any existing legal requirements (e.g. 3 years in the UK) or to not result in an unreliable economic value.	
Guideline 5		
Guideline 6		
Guideline 7		
Guideline 8	We oppose requiring contingent liabilities to be valued on-balance sheet, given they are off-balance sheet for accounting purposes, unless in the context of business combinations. As contingent	

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	liabilities by their very nature have low probability of future outflow and amount of obligation cannot be determined with reasonable certainty, it would be difficult to robustly value them.	
Guideline 9		
Guideline 10		
Guideline 11		
Guideline 12		
Explanatory text Guideline 5		
Explanatory text Guideline 6/7		
Explanatory text Guideline 8		
Explanatory text Guideline 9		
Explanatory text Guideline 10		
Explanatory text Guideline 11		
Explanatory text: Table consistency of IFRS valuation	IAS 8 provides guidance on changes to methodology, estimates and errors, and how they should be presented. For Solvency II, insurers face similar issues for which clear guidance is needed.	
Technical Annex		
Annex I: Impact Assessment		