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New cooperation offers worldwide training on International Public Sector Accounting Standards

LONDON, 28 MARCH 2014. The Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA), EY and IASeminars have announced they will jointly offer a comprehensive range of training courses on International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) in selected countries around the world.

The recent sovereign debt crisis has reinforced the importance of credible and transparent reporting of government financial data. International Public Sector Accounting Standards enhance the quality of financial reporting and are being adopted around the world by an increasing number of governments, public authorities and international organisations - including the United Nations. Additionally, the European Union is considering the development of European Public Sector Accounting Standards (EPSAS) based on similar principles to IPSAS.

Speaking about the launch of these joint IPSAS training courses, Ian Carruthers, CIPFA's Policy and Technical Director and a member of the IPSAS Board, commented: "CIPFA is delighted to be working with EY and IASeminars on this important project. There is a growing international demand for high-quality IPSAS training, and this new collaboration will help provide the skills needed to operate within the increasingly demanding world of international public finance".

Thomas Müller-Marqués Berger, Global Leader International Public Sector Accounting at EY and also a member of the IPSAS Board noted: "As one of the global industry leaders in transparency, EY is pleased to be cooperating with two of the world's leading IPSAS training providers. We also see this joint project as the logical next step in the already successful cooperation between CIPFA and EY, and we look forward to contributing our global knowledge and experience gained from large-scale IPSAS conversion projects ."

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Notes to Editors

The cooperation between CIPFA- the leading professional body for public financial management, IASeminars - a worldwide financial training business, and EY - a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction and advisory services, will provide a unique global offering of technical training courses on International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). This will include courses planned in 2014 for such cities as Geneva, Hong Kong, London, Lagos and Cape Town. Detailed teaching and materials on a broad and growing range of IPSAS topics will be delivered by respected and experienced professionals, representing the most comprehensive and topical IPSAS training currently available in the market.

Upcoming courses:

- Course 3000: IPSAS (Accruals Basis) Immersion Workshop (8 days), London, 19.08.2014 – 29.08.2014
- Course 3010: IPSAS Fundamentals - Accruals Basis (3 days), Geneva, 16.06.2014 – 18.06.2014; Lagos, 15.09.2014 – 17.09.2014; Hong-Kong, 20.10.2014 – 22.10.2014
- Course 3010e: IPSAS Fundamentals - Accruals Basis (30 days, online), e-learning course, 09.09.2014 – 08.10.2014
- Course 3050: IPSAS Basics - Cash Basis (2 days), currently no dates scheduled
- Course 3081: IPSAS Technical Update (1 day), Geneva, 27.06.2014; Hong-Kong, 24.10.2014
- Course 3082: IPSAS - Hot Topics and Technical Update (2 days), currently no dates scheduled
- Course 3100: IFRS versus IPSAS (2 days), Geneva, 19.06.2014 – 20.06.2014
- Course 3201: IPSAS Financial Instruments (2 days), Geneva, 23.06.2014 – 24.06.2014
- Course 3220: IPSAS - For Revenues and Expenses (1 day), Geneva, 25.06.2014
- Course 3285: IPSAS - For Employee Benefits and Provisions (1 day), Geneva, 25.06.2014
- Course 3290: IPSAS - For Non-Financial Assets (2 days), Geneva, 26.06.2014 – 27.06.2014
- Course 3401: IPSAS Financial Statements - Disclosures and Management Discussion (2 days), Geneva, 25.06.2014 – 26.06.2014
- Course 3405: IPSAS for managers, donors and stakeholders (1 day), Geneva, 20.06.2014
- Course 3501: IPSAS - First Time Adoption (1 day), Geneva, 20.06.2014; Lagos, 18.09.2014 and Hong-Kong

About CIPFA

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA) is a global professional accountancy body exclusively dedicated to public finance. CIPFA is represented on the IPSAS Board and uses its extensive experience to provide support to organisations moving to IPSAS. CIPFA also offers its own Certificate in International Public Sector Accounting Standards (Cert IPSAS).

About EY

EY is a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction and advisory services. EY has a comprehensive IPSAS network comprising more than 200 professionals, and two EY partners currently serve as Members of the IPSAS Board. The EY network fosters the worldwide transfer of IPSAS knowledge and consistent application of the standards through our teams worldwide.

About IASeminars

IASeminars is an independent global financial training company offering an extensive range of live and online courses around the world. Since 2002, some 16,000 participants have come from over 140 different countries to attend IASeminars events, which are offered on 5 continents as well as online.