

## INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF KENYA (ICPAK)

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## ROADMAP FOR THE ADOPTION OF IFRS SUSTAINABILITY DISCLOSURE STANDARDS IN KENYA

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), established in 1978 under the Accountants Act No.15 of 2008, serves as the statutory body for setting standards and regulating the accountancy profession in Kenya. As a member of the Pan African Federation of Accountants (PAFA) and the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), ICPAK is committed to maintaining high standards in financial and non-financial reporting.

On 6 September 2023, ICPAK announced the intention to adopt the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Sustainability Disclosure Standards, called S1 (General requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information) and S2 (Climate-related disclosures) in Kenya. This significant event was attended by key stakeholders, including regulators, corporate users, preparers, representatives from PAFA, the African Union, International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) and the IFRS Foundation among others.

Currently, organisations worldwide face the challenge of navigating multiple fragmented sustainability reporting frameworks. Despite these initiatives, the absence of a unified reporting framework has hindered comparability. ICPAK, in collaboration with ISSB, is spearheading the adoption of a global baseline for sustainability-related disclosures that will provide consistent and comparable information for investors and other market participants.

ICPAK as the Kenyan standard setter, commenced collaboration with industry players, regulators, development partners and other stakeholders to ensure preparedness towards adoption of the IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards. To facilitate this, ICPAK established a Multi-Stakeholder Sustainability and Climate Change Reporting Committee to develop a Roadmap for Adoption of IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards in Kenya.

<b>Phase</b>	Timelines (Accounting period beginning on or after)	Organisations Involved
Phase 1 - Voluntary Adopters	1 January 2024	All organisations
Phase 2 - Mandatory Adoption	1 January 2027	Public Interest Entities (PIEs)
	1 January 2028	Non-PIEs (Large Enterprises)
	1 January 2029	Non-PIEs (SMEs)
Phase 3 - Public Sector Entities	To be determined by ICPAK	Public Sector Entities

ICPAK remains committed to supporting Kenya and all entities within the jurisdiction in understanding and implementing the IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards. Through ongoing training, guidance, and advocacy, ICPAK aims to facilitate a seamless transition to these standards, ultimately contributing to a more sustainable and resilient economy.

More details on the **Roadmap for Adoption for Kenya** can be accessed through the ICPAK website on <a href="https://www.icpak.com">www.icpak.com</a> or though the below QR Code.

