FOUNDATION PROGRAMME MODULE
Advanced Financial Reporting (AFF)

Module Objective
The Advanced Financial Reporting module builds upon the knowledge and skills studied in the Principles of Financial Reporting module. Upon successful completion of this module, Candidates will be able to demonstrate sound knowledge of and apply the Conceptual Framework and the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (SFRS) to produce a complete set of financial statements for single entities and simple groups, including basic notes to the accounts. Candidates will also be able to explain and advise on the application of the SFRS, including the appropriate treatment and disclosure of hedge accounting, demonstrating appropriate professional judgment.

Assumed Knowledge and Pre-requisites

The Module at a Glance
A: Explain the importance of ethical behaviour in the context of Financial Reporting.
B: Describe and apply the appropriate measurement and recognition criteria for the elements of the financial statements, as required by the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards and related pronouncements and interpretations (e.g. Illustrative Examples, Guidance on Implementing, Interpretation of SFRS) issued by the Accounting Standards Council.
C: Demonstrate the appropriate treatment and disclosure relating to hedge accounting.
D: Determine and account for the components of goodwill, identify related party transactions, and defend the need for full disclosure.
E: Prepare consolidated financial statements with subsidiaries and associates under a business combination, including basic notes to the accounts.
F: Position the body of knowledge within the wider legal framework in Singapore and apply professional ethics.

Specific Exclusions
The following Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (SFRS) are excluded from this module.
- SFRS 20 Accounting for government grants and disclosure of government assistance
- SFRS 26 Accounting and reporting by retirement benefit plans
- SFRS 29 Financial reporting in hyperinflationary economies
- SFRS 33 Earnings per share
- SFRS 34 Interim financial reporting
- SFRS 41 Agriculture
- SFRS 101 First-time adoption of Financial Reporting Standards
- SFRS 104 Insurance contracts
- SFRS 106 Exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources
- SFRS 108 Operating segments

Essential Reading
- SFRS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- Appropriate sections from specific SFRS
- Accounting Standards Council SFRS Practice Statement – Management Commentary
- Relevant sections from Ethics Pronouncement (EP 100) the ISCA Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics
- The financial press in relation to emerging trends and current issues

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