

Job Description

Title: **Technology Principal**

Reports to: Technical Director

Purpose: Primarily accountable for the strategy, management and delivery of a group of projects related to the effect of technology on financial reporting and standard-setting.

Principal Accountabilities

Responsibility for delivery of the IASB's technology related projects, including:

- Research into the possible effects of new and emerging technology on the delivery and consumption of financial information including likely impact on standard-setting
- Development of a strategy to deal with the opportunities for and threats to the IASB from changes in technology
- Education of Board and staff on relevant new technologies
- Liaison with the technical teams on accounting issues arising out of the use of new technology
- Liaison across the organisation on technology related projects
- Development of a strategy for the IFRS Taxonomy including:
 - o Expanding the use of the Taxonomy by users, regulators and preparers
 - o Supporting global adoption of the Taxonomy
 - o Exploring all aspects of technological support for the Taxonomy
- Assisting in management of IFRS Taxonomy team, including interactions with Board, standard-setting teams, and consultative group
- Keeping up to date with relevant external developments through reading relevant news items, research papers and other communications on financial reporting
- Maintaining and developing the IASB's knowledge of and relationships with external parties, and acting as a credible and authoritative representative of the IASB, through thought-leadership, correspondence, meetings, presentations and other communications

- Supervising, managing, developing and assessing (by undertaking performance reviews) the work and performance of less senior technical staff
- Participate in and contribute to the development, management and culture of the wider organisation

Experience required:

- Previous experience in a relevant senior-level role in accounting policy/standard-setting.
- Detailed knowledge of IFRS Standards and their application.
- Technical expertise across the spectrum of financial reporting.
- An understanding of technological developments that may affect the future of financial reporting and standard-setting, including the IFRS Taxonomy.
- Experience in thought leadership, including understanding developments and implications for the current environment.
- Experience in developing strategy, including needs, risks, and detailed steps to execute the strategy.
- Previous experience of managing relationships in an international environment and delivering high-quality output to tight deadlines.

Skills and attributes:

- Strong, diplomatic interpersonal and relationship-building skills in an international, multi-cultural environment.
- Well-developed technical knowledge and analytical/research skills to prepare and review papers on a wide range of technical subjects.
- Ability to understand a broad range of complex, financial reporting issues and to identify and develop practical solutions.
- Ability to understand and consider different standpoints on a particular issue and to challenge different positions constructively.
- Ability to present effectively at meetings.
- Ability to brainstorm ideas and solve problems creatively.
- A collaborative approach to working with colleagues across a range of organisations.
- Strong written and oral English language skills, including ability to communicate complex topics in a simple and understandable manner, tailored for the particular audience.