



Enhanced auditor's report

Survey of first year experience in Singapore
At a glance

The enhanced auditor reporting standards, which became effective for audits of financial statements with periods ended from 15 December 2016, led to the issuance of longer, more informative reports by auditors.

Key changes

- Communication of **Key Audit Matters ("KAMs")**, being the most significant matters in the audit of the financial statements of listed entities
- Reporting on **Other Information ("OI")** contained in the annual report

Separately in January 2017, ACRA, MAS and SGX sent a joint letter to audit committees of listed companies urging them to consider providing commentary in the upcoming annual reports on the significant financial reporting matters specific to their listed company ("**AC Commentary**").

Key observations from survey of close to 500 entities listed on the SGX

1 Key Audit Matters

Average
2.3 KAMs

Range from
zero to 8

Top 5 KAMs


Valuation of
loans and
receivables


Revenue
recognition
(non-fraud)


Impairment of
goodwill and
intangible assets


Valuation of
property, plant
and equipment


Valuation of
investment
properties

2 Other Information

85%
had provided
all OI by the date
of the auditor's report

3 AC Commentary

40% included AC Commentary
in the annual report

Only 11% met the 3-part request made
by ACRA-MAS-SGX



Access the full details of our report

Observations from our survey of the first set of annual reports issued in Singapore after the enhanced auditor reporting standards became effective.

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Here at PwC, we have listened, we have understood and we are ready to embrace the transformation.

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