Guidance on the use of international Accounting terminology



International Accounting Standard 1 (IAS1) relates to the presentation of accounts, and has introduced some new terminology as well as a revised treatment of dividends. This has been incorporated into three new financial reporting standards (FRS): FRS100, FRS101 and FRS102, which will now apply for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

This document provides clarification for teachers and lecturers on the use of International Accounting Standards (IAS) terminology.

| Current UK Term | International Term |
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| Accruals | Other payables |
| Balance Sheet | Statement of financial position |
| Bank and cash | Cash and cash equivalents |
| Cash flow statement | Statement of cash flows |
| Cost of goods sold | Cost of sales |
| Current assets | Current assets (*no change) |
| Current liabilities | Current liabilities (*no change) |
| Equity or capital | Equity |
| Final accounts | Financial statements |
| Fixed assets | Non-current assets |
| Goodwill and Preliminary Expenses | Intangible assets |
| Gross profit | Gross profit (*no change) |
| Interest payable | Finance costs |
| Interest receivable | Investment revenues |
| Land and buildings | Property |
| Loans repayable after 12 months | Bank loan (also other loans) |
| Long term liabilities | Non-current liabilities |
| Net loss | Loss for the year |
| Net profit | Profit for the year |
| Prepayments | Other receivables |
| Proposed dividends | No proposed dividends as only dividends that have been approved are included |
| Sales/Turnover | Sales Revenue |
| Stocks of raw materials, WIP and finished goods | Inventory |
| Sundry expenses | Other operating expenses |
| Sundry income | Other operating income |

| Trade creditors | Trade payables |
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| Trade debtors | Trade receivables |
| Trading and profit and loss account including appropriation of profits | Income statement |