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| **IESBA Embarks on a Strategic Review – Seeks Input from Stakeholders**  Johannesburg / 4 May 2017  The International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA) released its *Strategy Survey Questionnaire* on 19 April 2017 and is seeking comments, views and insights from all stakeholders to help shape its future strategic direction.  By the end of 2017 the IESBA expects to have completed major projects aimed at strengthening its Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), including restructuring the IESBA Code.  The survey seeks early input into the key issues the IESBA should address that might impact the IESBA Code. This is the first step in the development of the IESBA’s Strategy and Work Plan beyond 2018. The IRBA adopted Parts A and B of the IESBA Code and prescribed it in 2010. As the IESBA’s future work plan could result in possible amendments to Part A and B, the IRBA has particular interest in the IESBA Strategy.  **Request for Comment**  The Survey Consultation is open for responses until **18 July 2017**, and these must be submitted using the **online tool**. A PDF version of the survey has been provided on the IESBA [website](http://www.ifac.org/system/files/uploads/IESBA/IESBA-Strategy-Survey-April-2017.pdf) to assist organisations that may need to consult internally in preparing their responses before submitting those electronically. We invite registered auditors to submit their responses to the Survey Consultation via the IESBA [website](http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3498885/IESBA-Strategy-and-Work-Plan-Survey?utm_source=IFAC+Main+List&utm_campaign=a4878e6fcc-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_04_19&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_cc08d67019-a4878e6fcc-80277609).  **Imran Vanker**  **Director: Standards**  ***About the IRBA***  *The objectives of the IRBA are to endeavour to protect the financial interests of the South African public and international investors in South Africa through the effective and appropriate regulation of audits conducted by registered auditors, in accordance with internationally recognised standards and processes.* |