Respondent

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1. Select Respondent Type *

Please select the capacity in which you are responding.

Registered Auditor

2. Organisation Name *

If you answered "Individual" in Question 1, please write "Private".

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3. Full Name of Respondent *

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4. Job Title *

Registered Auditor (Non-practising)

5. Email Address *

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6. Do you believe that additional disclosures in the auditor's report about the scope of the audit would be useful in enhancing the understanding of the audit that was performed? *

Refer to question 1 in section A of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Scope of the audit. Refer to section A.	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

7. In relation to question 6 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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One would be informed about the REAL SCOPE of the Audit. Benefits: greater transparency Drawback: greater costs which should be borne by entity being audited (ultimately members) but it is a small price to pay for enhanced confidence and reliance placed on audited annual financial statements.

8. Do you believe that disclosing the materiality threshold applied, and an explanation of significant judgements made by the auditor in determining materiality for the audit in the auditor's report, would be useful in enhancing the understanding of the audit that was performed? *

Refer to question 2 in section A of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Materiality threshold applied, and an explanation of significant judgements made by the auditor in determining materiality for the audit. Refer to section A.			\bigcirc		\bigcirc

9. In relation to question 8 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have. *Max 4 000 characters.*

Improved confidence in how the audit is approached.

10. Do you believe that the disclosure of performance materiality in the auditor's report would be useful in enhancing the understanding of the audit that was performed? *

Refer to question 3 in section A of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Performance materiality. Refer to section A.	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

11. In relation to question 10 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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Intuitively, it is beneficial.

12. Do you believe that additional disclosures in the auditor's report that explain the extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, would be useful in enhancing the understanding of the audit that was performed? *

Refer to question 4 in section B of the Consultation Paper.

		Somewhat		No particular
Very useful	Useful	useful	Not useful	view

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Explanation of the extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud. Refer to section B.			\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

13. In relation to question 12 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as any suggestions you may have.

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It's inherent in the question and it needs little additional justification!

14. Do you believe that disclosures in the auditor's report about how the auditor evaluated management's assessment of the entity's ability to continue as a going concern and, where relevant, key observations arising with respect to that evaluation would be useful in enhancing the understanding of the audit that was performed? *

Refer to question 5 in section C of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
How the auditor evaluated management's assessment of the entity's ability to continue as a going concern and, where relevant, key observations. Refer to section C.					

15. In relation to question 14 above, please provide your reasons and indicate where applicable, what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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16. Do you believe that a conclusion (i.e. a positive statement) that management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the entity's financial statements is appropriate, should be included in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 6 in section C of the Consultation Paper.



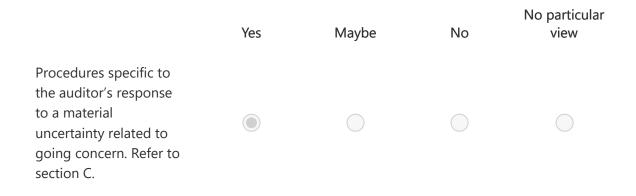
17. In relation to question 16 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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WHY DO WE HAVE TO MOTIVATE OUR ANSWERS WHEN IT IS SELF-EVIDENT? IT'S SERIOUSLY INTRUSIVE AND BADLY IRRITATING!!!!

18. Where there is a material uncertainty related to going concern, do you believe that procedures specific to the auditor's response to the material uncertainty related to going concern should be disclosed in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 7 in section C of the Consultation Paper.



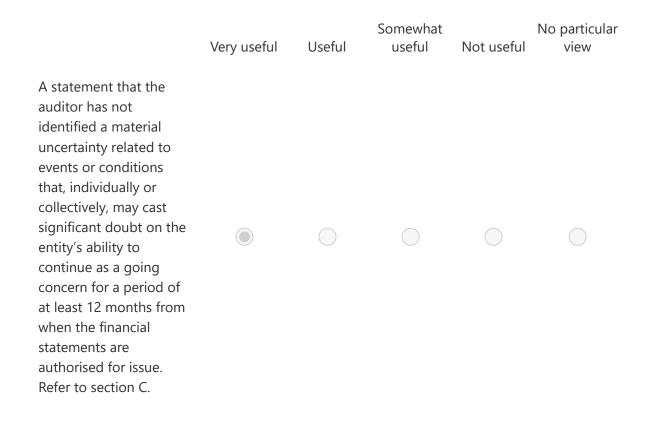
19. In relation to question 18 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have. *Max 4 000 characters.*

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20. Where the auditor concludes that no material uncertainty related to going concern has been identified, would a statement that the auditor has not identified a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue be useful to you as a user? *

Refer to question 8 in section C of the Consultation Paper.

		Somewhat	No particular	
Very useful	Useful	useful	Not useful	view



21. In relation to question 20 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have. *Max 4 000 characters.*

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22. Are there any other matters related to going concern that you believe should be disclosed in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 9 in section C of the Consultation Paper.

	Yes	Maybe	No	No particular view
Any other matters related to going concern that you believe should be disclosed in the auditor's report. Refer to section C.	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	

23. In relation to question 22 above, please provide the details and where applicable, the benefits and drawbacks of disclosure of such matters, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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24. Do you believe that auditor's reports other than on listed entities and where law or regulation requires the application of ISA 701, should disclose Key Audit Matters (KAMs)? *

Refer to question 10 in section D of the Consultation Paper.

	Other PIEs	All Entities	No	No particular view
KAMs in auditor's reports other than on listed entities and where law or regulation requires the application of ISA 701. Refer to section D.				

25. In relation to question 24 above, please explain your reasons for the answer to this question and where applicable, specify the type of entity for which you believe the auditor's reports should disclose KAMs, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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26. In your view, are descriptions of the outcome of audit procedures or key observations with respect to Key Audit Matters useful in understanding the KAM? *

Refer to question 11 in section D of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Descriptions of the outcome of audit procedures or key observations with respect to Key Audit Matters. Refer to section D.					

27. In relation to question 26 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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28. Do you believe it is beneficial to stakeholders to have visibility of the professional relationships between an audit firm and the audit client for audits of entities that are not PIEs? *

Refer to question 12 in section E of the Consultation Paper.



29. In relation to question 28 above, please provide your reasons. Where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder and specify for which types of entities should the disclosure of such professional relationships be. Also indicate any suggestions you may have.

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30. If the answer to question 28 is "yes" or "maybe", do you believe this should be disclosed in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 13 in section E of the Consultation Paper.



31. In relation to question 30 above, please provide your reasons. Where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder or provide alternative mechanisms for such disclosure.

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32. Do you believe the auditor's report is an appropriate mechanism to disclose the matters described in (a), (b), (c) and (d) in paragraph 65 of the Consultation Paper in relation to fees? *

Refer to question 14 in section E of the Consultation Paper.

	Yes	Maybe	No	No particula view
Auditor's report an appropriate mechanism to disclose the matters described in (a), (b), (c) and (d) in paragraph 65. Refer to section E.		\bigcirc		\bigcirc

33. In relation to question 32 above, please provide your reasons. Where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder or provide suggestions on other possible mechanisms to achieve such disclosure, including the benefits and the drawbacks.

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34. Do you believe the auditor's report is an appropriate mechanism to disclose whether an entity has been classified as a PIE or not? *

Refer to question 15 in section F of the Consultation Paper.



35. In relation to question 34 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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36. Do you believe that when prior period financial statements that are misstated have not been amended and an auditor's report has not been reissued, but the corresponding figures have been properly restated or appropriate disclosures have been made in the current period financial statements, the matter should in all cases be described in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 16 in section G of the Consultation Paper.

	Yes	Maybe	No	No particular view
Description in the auditor's report when prior period financial statements that are misstated have not been amended and an auditor's report has not been reissued, but the corresponding figures have been properly restated or appropriate disclosures have been made in the current period financial statements. Refer to section G.				

37. In relation to question 36 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have. *Max 4 000 characters.*

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38. Where such disclosure (refer to question 36) is made in the auditor's report, whether mandated or not, do you believe that tailored descriptions of the audit procedures performed, and key observations made by the auditor regarding prior year material misstatements, would be useful in enhancing the understanding of how the auditor addressed the matter? *

Refer to question 17 in section G of the Consultation Paper.

		Somewhat		No particular
Very useful	Useful	useful	Not useful	view



39. In relation to question 38 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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40. Do you believe the disclosure of the threshold of unadjusted misstatements in the auditor's report would be useful in further enhancing transparency by auditors? *

Refer to question 18 in section H of the Consultation Paper.

	Very useful	Useful	Somewhat useful	Not useful	No particular view
Do you believe the disclosure of the threshold of unadjusted misstatements in the auditor's report would be useful in further enhancing transparency by auditors? Refer to section H.			\bigcirc		

41. In relation to question 40 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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42. In relation to the matters described in sections A, B, C, G and H in the Consultation Paper, if applicable, would you please indicate for which types of entities these disclosures should be made? Your response should be in the format set out below (tick where appropriate and provide your reasons, including benefits and drawbacks, in the comment box). *

Refer to question 19 in section I of the Consultation Paper.

	All entities	PIEs only	Listed entities only	Others (Please explain in question 43 below)	Disclosure should not be made at all (Please explain in question 43)
Extending the disclosures of the Audit Scope. Refer to section A.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Materiality. Refer to section A.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Performance Materiality. Refer to section A.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhancing the disclosure of the audit effort related to Irregularities, including fraud. Refer to section B.		\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhancing the disclosure of the audit effort related to Going Concern. Refer to section C.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

	All entities	PIEs only	Listed entities only	Others (Please explain in question 43 below)	Disclosure should not be made at all (Please explain in question 43)
Auditor's report disclosures arising from Prior Year Misstatements. Refer to section G.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Disclosure of the reporting threshold unadjusted misstatements. Refer to section H.		\bigcirc		\bigcirc	\bigcirc

43. In relation to question 42 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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44. Other than those proposals discussed in sections A to I in the Consultation Paper, are there more matters that can be disclosed by auditors in the auditor's report for an audit of financial statements? *

Refer to question 20 in section J of the Consultation Paper.

	Yes	Maybe	No	No particular view
More matters that can be disclosed by auditors in the auditor's report.	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	

45. In relation to question 44 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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46. Should there be prescribed standards or a rule that will mandate additional disclosures in the auditor's report? *

Refer to question 21 in section J of the Consultation Paper.

	Yes	Maybe	No	No particular view
Prescribed standards or a rule that will mandate additional disclosures in the auditor's report.		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

47. In relation to question 46 above, please provide your reasons and where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder, as well as any suggestions you may have.

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48. Is there a need to develop a structure or framework within which to accommodate currently envisaged but also future changes to auditor's report contents? *

Refer to question 22 in section J of the Consultation Paper.

Maybe

No



49. In relation to question 48 above, please provide your reasons. Where applicable, indicate what the benefits and drawbacks of such disclosures would be to you as a stakeholder and explain what the elements of such a framework would be. Also provide any suggestions you may have.

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