

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WORKSHOP PROGRAM

IAS 32 Presentation of Financial Instruments

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Businesses are normally financed using several tools i.e. can raise capital using new shares, issuing loans or buying goods and other assets on credit.



The business can also lend if it has surplus funds or sell goods and other assets on credit.

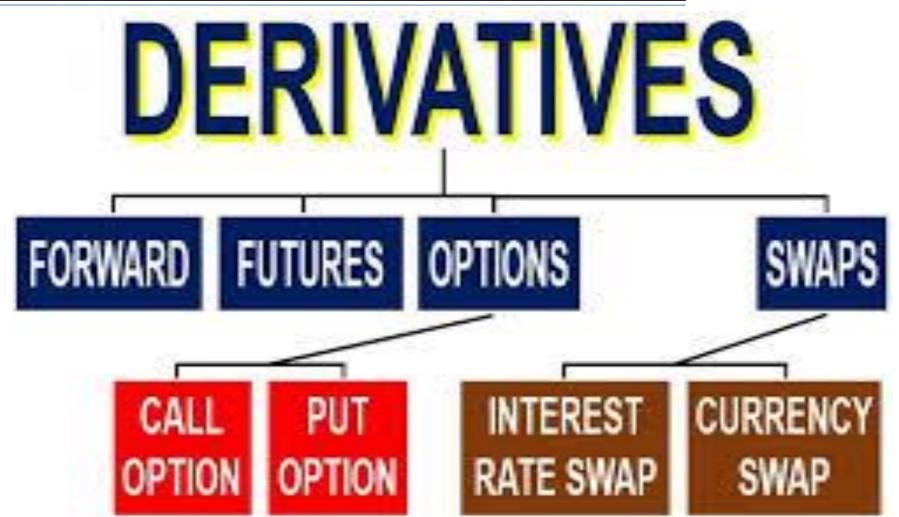


All these means of borrowing and lending are referred to as Financial Instruments.



Due to financial innovation, Financial Instruments have become complex. The main area of innovation is in the creation of derivatives which have special features and significant impact on a business.





2. Relevant Standards



Standard	Title
IAS 32	Presentation (Mainly for Borrowers)
IAS 39	Recognition and Measurement (Both Borrowers and Lenders)
IFRS 7	Disclosures (Borrowers and Lenders)
IFRS 9	Financial Instruments (Has replaced IAS 39)



Financial instrument (FI): this is a contract that leads to a financial asset to one party and a financial liability or equity to another party. (Financial Asset to the lender and Financial Liability/Equity to the borrower)





Financial Asset (FA): this is either cash or the right to receive cash or any other financial asset e.g. Investment in Shares/ Loan stock, Trade Receivables and Derivatives that have a net cash inflow position.



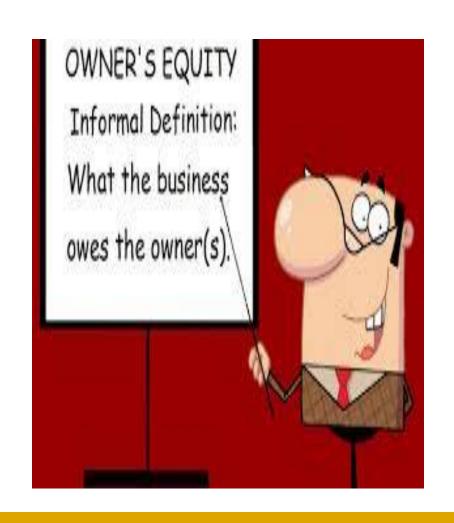


Financial liability (FL): this is an obligation to deliver cash or any other financial asset e.g. loan stock and redeemable preference shares trade payables derivatives that have net cash outflow position.





Equity (E): this is a financial instrument that gives a residual interest in the business i.e. total assets-total liabilities e.g. Ordinary shares and other preference shares.



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1. Split of financial Instruments into Financial Liability and equity:

The issuer of a financial instrument (borrower) shall classify the instrument, on initial recognition as a financial liability, a financial asset or an equity instrument in accordance with the **substance of the contractual** arrangement.



Substance means that:

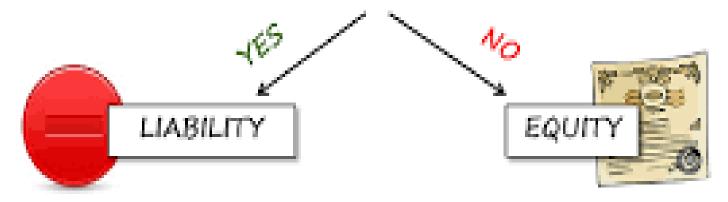
If the financial instrument will be paid back before the company is to be wound up, then it is a **financial liability**.

If there is no requirement to pay back before winding up, then it is **Equity.**





Is there a contractual obligation to transfer economic benefit?





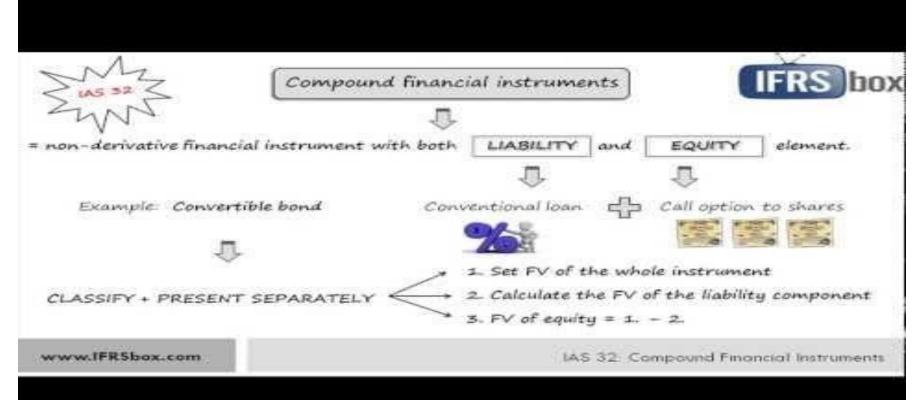
Under classification into equity and liabilities:

- 1. Puttable financial instruments
- 2. Settlement in own shares
- 3. Contingent Settlement provisions
- 4. Settlement options

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2. Compound Financial Instruments



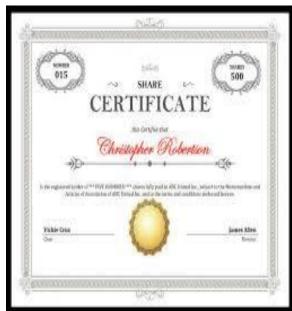
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3. Treasury Shares

If a company buys back its own shares the buy back and

any other expenses should be deducted from share capital and reserves and not an expense. Shares bought back =**Treasury shares**.



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4. Interest, dividends, losses and gains

Interest and other gains and losses arising from borrowing a loan should be reported in the profit or loss, while dividends and other gains and losses from issuing new shares should be reported in equity i.e. mainly share premium.

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5. Offsetting a financial asset with a financial liability

A Financial Asset and a Financial Liability should not be offset unless the company has a legal right to do so or there is intention to settle on a net basis.

