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Overview on
Defined Benefit Pension Plan Panel
Friday June 11, 2010
11:15 AM to 12:30 PM





Platform Concepts

- Continuous improvements on Canadian productivity (capital & labour) in support of global competitiveness domestically & internationally
- Consistency and uniformity especially on national laws & regulations, governance standards and accounting principles
- Transparency and accuracy through the provision of meaningful financial information
- Fairness and equity amongst constituents customers, workers & capital providers
- Effective communications through simplicity and clarity on underlying concepts
- A body for dissemination of knowledge pertaining to the finance function in business and government





Operating Volunteer Committees:

- Committee on Corporate Reporting (CCR).
- Issues and Policy Advisory Committee (IPAC).
 - Capital Markets
 - Taxation
 - Pensions
 - Corporate Governance
 - Private Company Issues
 - Information Technology





Mission Statement

- The Pension task force (PTF) of the Issues and Policy Advisory Committee (IPAC) was established to:
- Develop FEI Canada public positions on matters pertaining to pension and other employee benefit issues
- Provide guidance and expert opinion on emerging issues on pensions and other post-employment benefits relevant to FEI Canada members and,
- Act as advisors on pension and other post-employment issues of current importance to industry groups, government, associations, and other constituents who will benefit from the impartial counsel of the Committee.





PENSION TASK FORCE - BROAD ISSUES

- Coverage [employees and non employees]
- Adequate replacement income in retirement
- Income Tax Act reform to increase cap for annual contribution levels and total tax deferred savings
- Law reform for defined benefit plan surplus ownership and contract versus trust law
- Savings rates and individual responsibility for retirement [amid CPP/QPP, OAS, Private Pension Plans, Private Savings]
- Public Service Plans /Private Plans divide
- Risk Sharing for Pension and other retirement benefits/Who pays?
- Regulatory reform for Defined Benefit plans [to facilitate continuance with reasonable estimates and funding assumptions]