

International Accounting Standards Board 1st Floor 30 Cannon Street London EC4M 6XH By email

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Dear Sirs,

## **Ref.:** Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts (ED/2015/11)

The International Swaps and Derivatives Association ("ISDA")<sup>1</sup> is pleased for the opportunity to respond to the above referenced Exposure Draft (ED).

Our members support the IASB in issuing this ED. We agree that it is necessary to find a solution for the different application dates of IFRS 9 and IFRS 4. The needs of insurers are not directly relevant to the activities of ISDA and hence we do not provide comments on the recommendations set out in the ED. Nevertheless, resolving this issue promptly will help ensure IFRS 9 is endorsed as soon as possible by the EU. This is important to our members to remove any uncertainty about the date of application or the requirements to be applied.

Should you have any questions or would like clarification on any of the matters raised in this letter please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

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