



# Insured Interest

Business partners to the insurance industry

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## Unavoidable Disclosures?

Companies producing Financial Statements under IFRS & UK GAAP for years commencing after January 1, 2007 have been taken aback by the amount of work involved in preparing disclosures in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 7 and FRS 29 respectively. These disclosures require a great deal of work and analysis by management, the extent of which has often been underestimated.

UK GAAP's FRS 29 only applies if a Company has first adopted FRS 26, i.e. for Insurers this is generally those that carry derivatives at fair value. Companies producing financial statements under UK GAAP will not be required to produce the additional disclosures if they are consolidated into an entity which does.

What many other Companies do not appreciate is that this is the way forward for most GAAPs. Even if the Company prepares financial statements in accordance with Bermuda / Canada GAAP they still have to contend with this onerous task, as the requirements of IFRS 7 are adopted under CICA section 3862. This section is applicable for years commencing after October 1, 2007.

Companies authorised to write Insurance Business in Bermuda are publically accountable enterprises and therefore cannot avail themselves of certain leniencies allowed by the differential reporting route, CICA section 1300, regarding these disclosure requirements. Differential reporting applies ONLY if the Company is a non-publically accountable enterprise AND if the Company receives unanimous consent of it's shareholders. Hence there is no respite, even for captive Insurance Companies.

## Focus on : Sandip Johal

As Senior Manager, Sandip is responsible for the various audit and consulting projects conducted by the team at Moore Stephens & Butterfield.



Sandip has worked in the insurance sector since joining Deloitte in London as a trainee in 2000, where he specialized in auditing Lloyds syndicates and managing agents.

Following his three and a half years with Deloitte he moved into internal audit with Equitas, the Lloyds run-off entity. Having spent two successful years at Equitas he joined Moore Stephens & Butterfield and is currently in his third year with the firm.

Sandip brings a unique perspective to the team from his exposures to the demands of the UK insurance industry and regulators. His external and internal audit experiences bring expertise and knowledge from statutory and regulatory audits, respectively.

He is well versed in business processes and internal control environments, skills which he has used extensively on various consulting projects the team have been involved in. He likes to keep abreast of the latest technological advances, keeping both himself and the firm on the cutting-edge.

In the coming year Sandip would like to see the firm build on the strong foundations they have laid.

He says "since joining in 2006 the whole team have been working very hard to establish a good reputation on the island, working on many high profile projects. We now hope to build on this reputation and provide our brand of highly personalised, highly skilled audit and consulting services to more companies and organisations. We feel everyone, no matter their size, should be able to benefit from the personalised attention we offer to all our customers."

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