

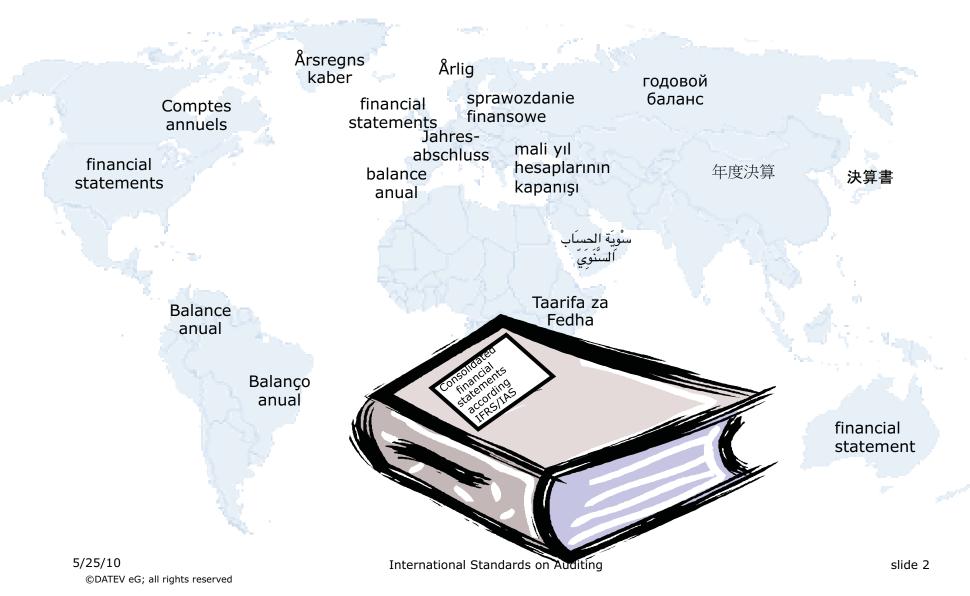
# International Standards on Auditing (ISA)

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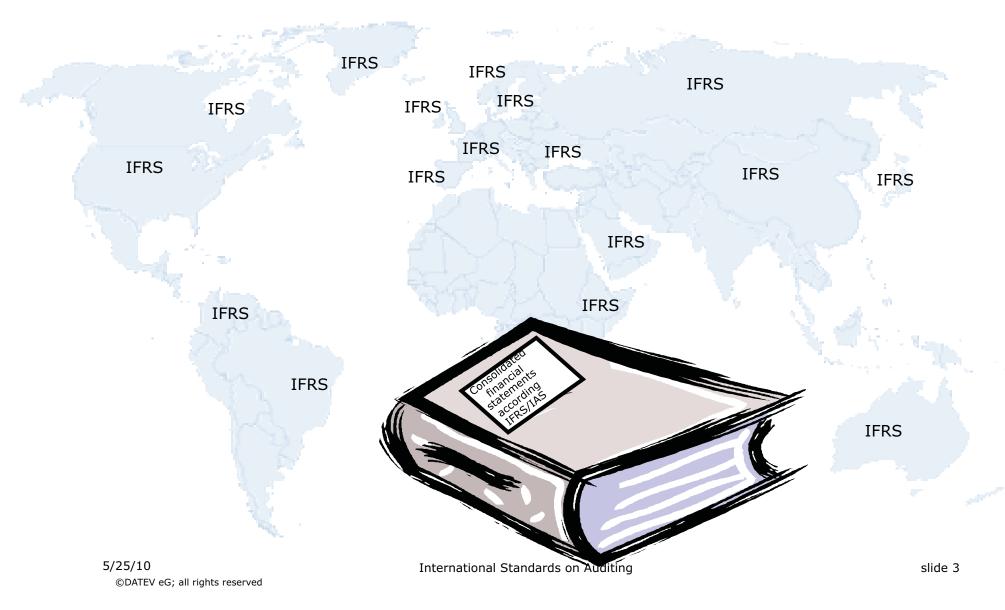
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International Standards on Auditing





## International Standards on Auditing (ISA)



#### Current status:

- Over 100 countries are already using the ISA
  - by adopting the standards
  - as a basis for their national standards
- The European Commission is in the process to adopt the ISA directly into European law
- Effective date for obligatory application still not defined
  - possibly in 2012 for audits of the year 2011
  - at the latest in 2013 for audits of the year 2012
- Additionally new requirements for quality assurance
  - International Standard on Quality Control (ISQC 1)



## Objectives of the ISA



- Serving the public interest by high quality
  - auditing standards
  - quality control standards
- Use in all audits
  - Listed companies
  - Non listed companies
  - Government entities at all levels
- Enhancing the quality and uniformity of practice throughout the world
- Improving public confidence in the global profession of auditors
- International standards for a better comparability of auditing services

# The IAASB's Clarity project from 2004-2009

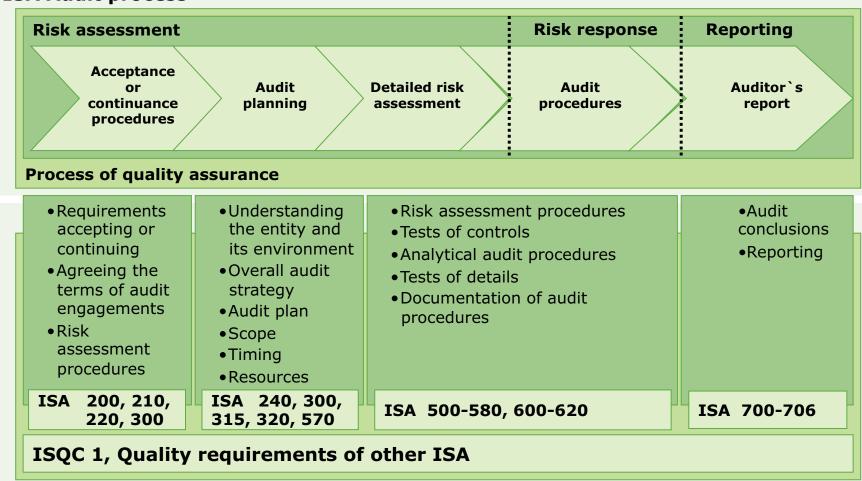


- Objective of the project:
  - improve the clarity of the ISA
  - improve the understandability of the ISAs and make them more compatible with regulatory frameworks
- Project results:
  - 36 clarified ISA
  - Clarified ISQC 1
  - Clear structure of the standards
    - Introduction
    - Objective
    - Definitions
    - Requirements
    - Application and other explanatory Material

### The ISA audit process



#### **ISA Audit process**



#### **DATEV: We are supporting the whole process**

## Effects for the profession of auditors



- Convergence of international and national standards
- Former national standardsetters only responsible for issues which are not specified by the ISA (add-ons or carve-outs)
- Adjustment of all existing audit tools necessary
  - Software system
  - Working papers approach
- Requirements for performing ISA-compliant audits
  - Compliance with all ISA
  - Consistent application of the risk oriented audit approach
  - Detailed audit documentation
  - Quality assurance

## Advantages using the ISA



- An international set of standards and a standardised audit approach possibly all over the world
- Greater acceptance of audit reports outside of their home jurisdiction
- New opportunities for auditors
  - offer auditing services worldwide
  - enable or improve transnational cooperation in performing audits
  - use the same documentation system in groups of accounting firms
- Enhance the efficiency of audit engagements through consistent implementation of the risk oriented audit approach

# Supporting the implementation and application of the ISA



- For SMPs: "Guide to Using International Standards on Auditing in the Audits of Small- and Mediumsized Entities" (SMP Committee)
  - detailed analysis of the ISA and their requirements in the context of an SME audit
  - practical "how-to" audit approach that practitioners may use when undertaking a risk-based audit of an SME
- Application and other explanatory material of the clarified ISA
- Software support for
  - performing an efficient ISA-compliant audit
  - a complete audit documentation

# Software tools supporting the audit process (1/2)



- Software system with a full implemented risk oriented audit approach
- Scaleable working papers depending on
  - the size of the entity and its characteristics
  - the risk assessment
  - the size of the engagement team
- System with support in all steps of the audit process
  - Client acceptance
  - Risk assessment
  - Nature, time and extent of audit procedures
  - Audit results
  - Reporting

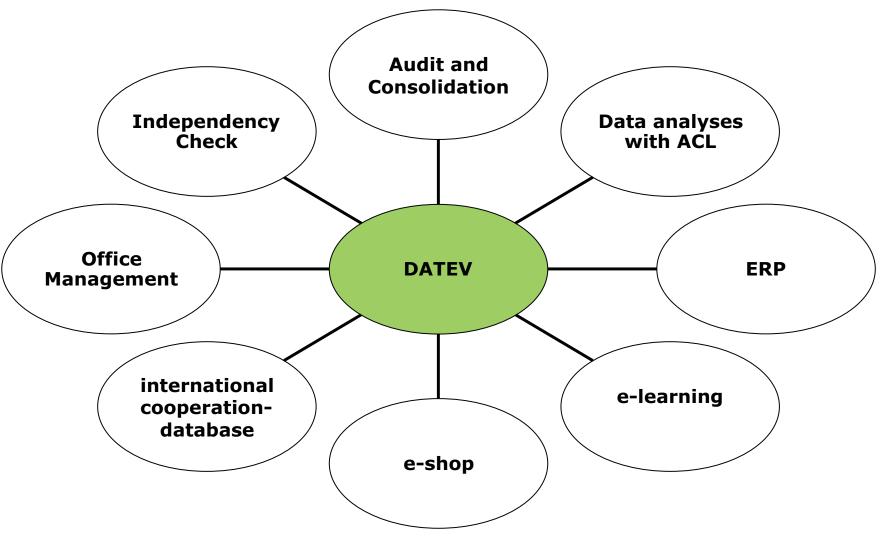
# Software tools supporting the audit process (2/2)



- Documentation of all data relevant to the audit and the performed audit procedures
- Software tools for performing ISA-compliant audit procedures, e.g.
  - Statistic analysis of mass data
  - Sampling procedures
- Tools for monitoring and managing the audit process
  - Current status of the audit
  - Quality assurance
- System for organising documents relating to the audit engagement

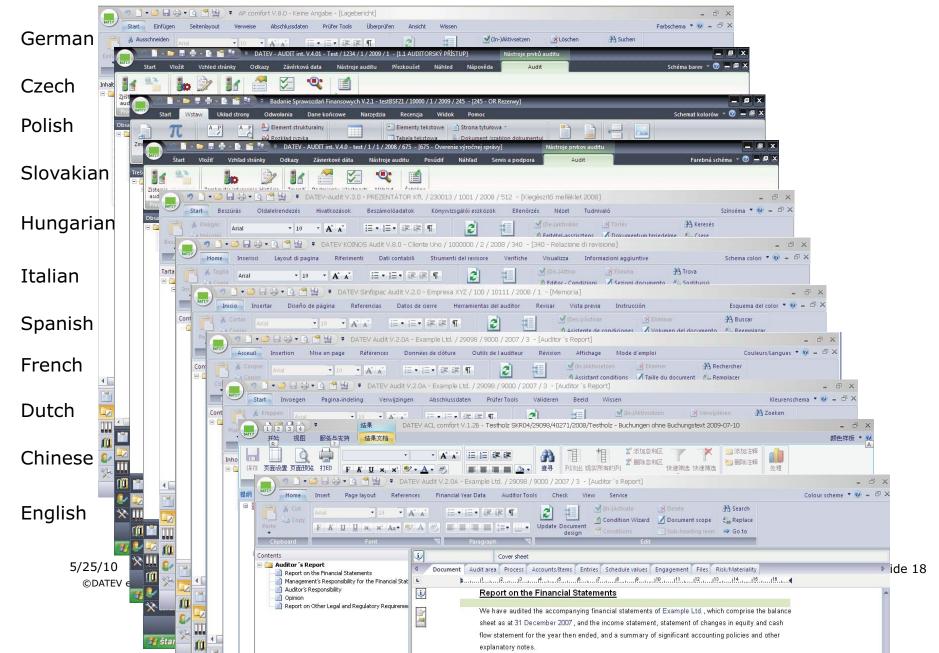
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