

Agenda.



Meeting: Qualifications Board

Location: Virtual – Zoom

Date: 14 January 2026

09:30 – 09:45 (GMT) (Qualifications Board pre-meet)

09:45 – 10.00 (GMT) (Chair of Qualifications Board pre-meet with ACCA)

10.00 – 14.05 (GMT) Qualifications Board

1. MINUTES

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2025.

To note there are no actions to follow-up from previous meetings.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To note any apologies for absence.

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

To receive information regarding any potential conflicts of interest and/or duty which have been notified to ACCA since the distribution of the meeting papers.

4. CHAIR'S UPDATE (10 mins @ 10.05)

To receive an oral update from the Chair on matters discussed at the last Regulatory Board meeting, as appropriate to Qualifications Board.

5. EXAMINATIONS RESULTS GOVERNANCE REVIEW (75 mins @ 10.15am)

To ratify the December 2025 examination results, with a presentation from the Director of Professional Qualifications (Ann Lamb) and the Qualification Data Science Lead (Tom Laycock).

6. REMOTE INVIGILATION UPDATE (15 mins @ 11.30am)

To receive an update regarding remote invigilation from the Director of Professional Qualifications (Ann Lamb).

7. ACCA WIDE DEVELOPMENTS – DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION (DT) PROGRAMME UPDATE (30 mins @11.45am)

To receive an update on the DT programme from the Executive Director – People and Transformation (Julie Hotchkiss) and the Transformation Delivery Lead (Ciara Heenan).

BREAK @ 12.15pm – 30 mins

8. INNOVATION IN LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT (ILA) (45 mins @ 12.45pm)

To receive a presentation and update on the future of learning and assessment from the ILA Qualification Lead (Rachel Norman), the ILA Programme Lead (Tony Peginho) and the Qualifications Innovation Lead (Emma Ritchie).

9. LEAD REGULATOR UPDATE (20 mins @ 13.30pm)

To receive an update on a meeting with the UK Financial Reporting Council from the Chair of Qualifications Board (Paul Layzell) and to receive for discussion and information, an update on ACCA's interactions with its lead regulators from the Head of Education Recognition (Katrina Smyth).

10. BOARD ARRANGEMENTS (10 mins @ 13.50pm)

To consider a report on the Board's terms of reference, work plan for the 2025-26 Council year and development from the Head of Education Recognition (Katrina Smyth).

11. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS (5 mins @ 14.00pm)

To note the Qualifications Board meeting dates for the 2025-26 Council year:

- Friday 10 April 2026 – Virtual
- Friday 10 July 2026 - Virtual
- Friday 16 October 2026 (in-person at The Adelphi, ACCA, London, subject to confirmation)