

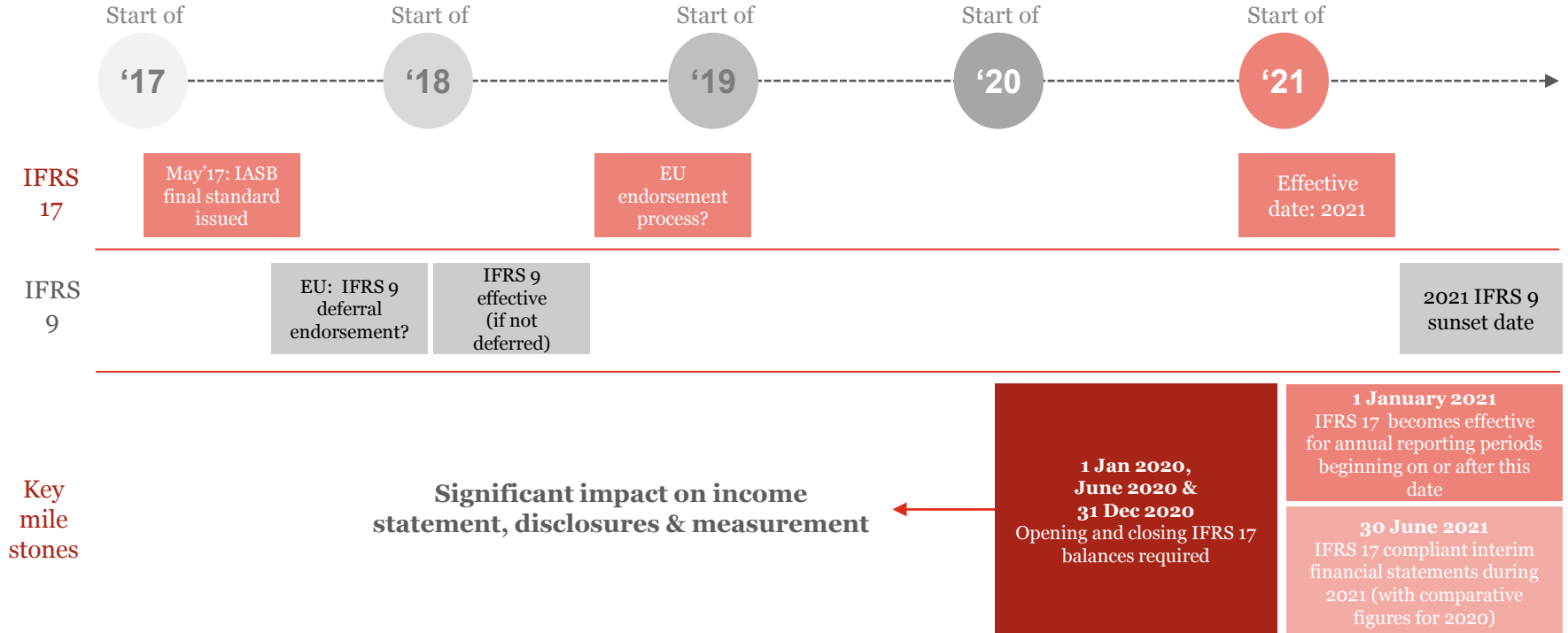
A photograph of a person's legs running on a paved road. The person is wearing black shorts, white socks, and black and white running shoes. The road has a yellow dashed line down the center. The background shows a sunset or sunrise over a landscape with hills and a cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

# *IFRS 17*

## *Redefining insurance contract accounting*

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# Financial reporting developments



# IFRS 17 – Key features

## IFRS 4 shortcomings according to the IASB

IFRS 4 is an interim standard.

No transparent information for users

Existing policies make comparison across products, companies and jurisdictions difficult

## What are the key features of IFRS 17 to address these?

Current estimates of future cash flows.

Market consistent discount rates.

Explicit allowance for risk.

Profit recognised as services are provided.

Greater depth and transparency in disclosures. Revenue excludes deposits.

# Overview of the measurement approaches

## General Approach (GA)

## Premium Allocation Approach (PAA)

## Variable Fee Approach (VFA)

Why is it needed?

**Default model** for all insurance contracts.

To **simplify for short term contracts** with little variability.

To deal with **participating business** where payments to policyholders are linked to underlying items like assets.

Types of contract

- Long-term insurance, protection business.
- Annuities.
- Reinsurance written.
- Long-term general insurance contracts.

- General insurance, short term.
- Short-term life and certain group contracts.
- Reinsurance written.

- Unit-linked contracts.
- Certain profit sharing contracts.

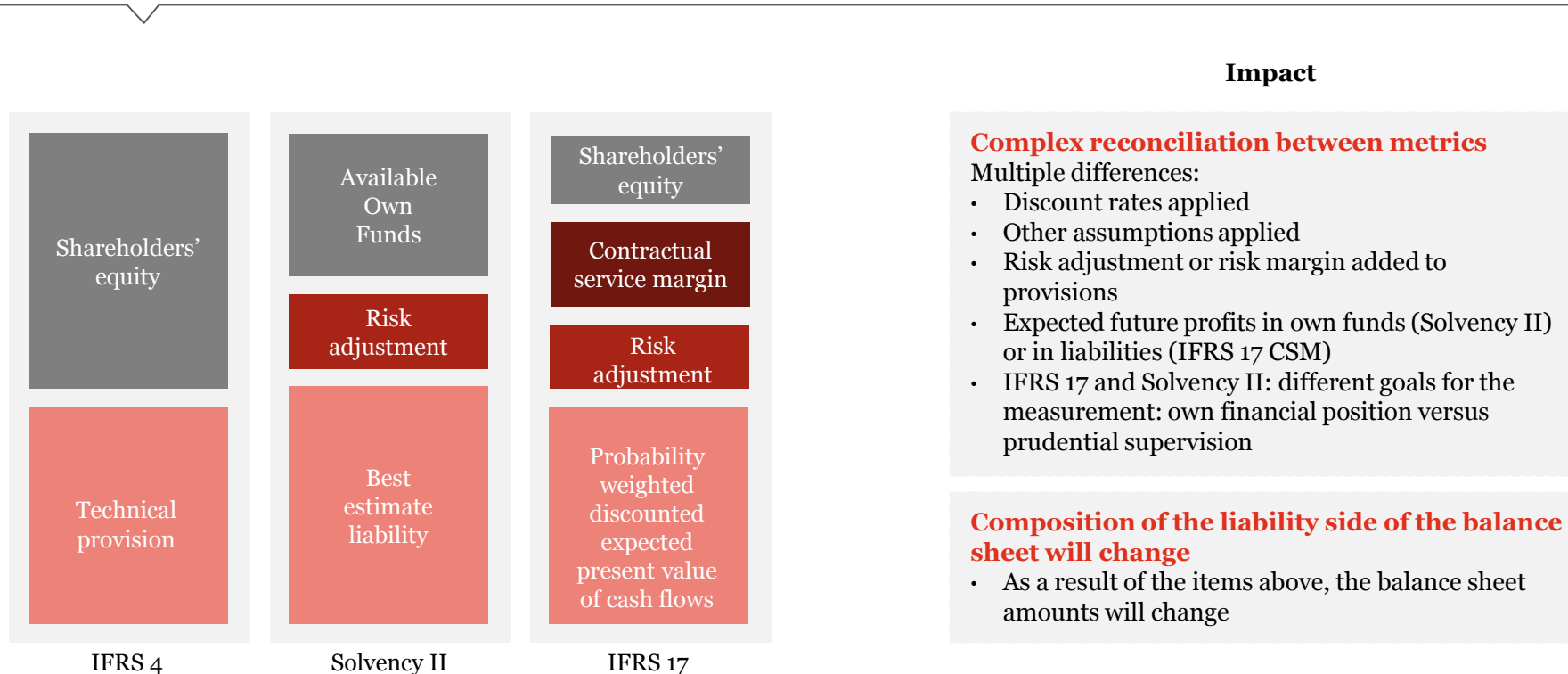
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# Long term insurance – Liability comparison with other metrics



## Impact

### Complex reconciliation between metrics

Multiple differences:

- Discount rates applied
- Other assumptions applied
- Risk adjustment or risk margin added to provisions
- Expected future profits in own funds (Solvency II) or in liabilities (IFRS 17 CSM)
- IFRS 17 and Solvency II: different goals for the measurement: own financial position versus prudential supervision

### Composition of the liability side of the balance sheet will change

- As a result of the items above, the balance sheet amounts will change

Note: The relative size of the diagram is purely for illustration purposes and could differ significantly by product line and company

# Level of aggregation – The requirements

## What are the requirements?

A portfolio of insurance contracts are contracts:

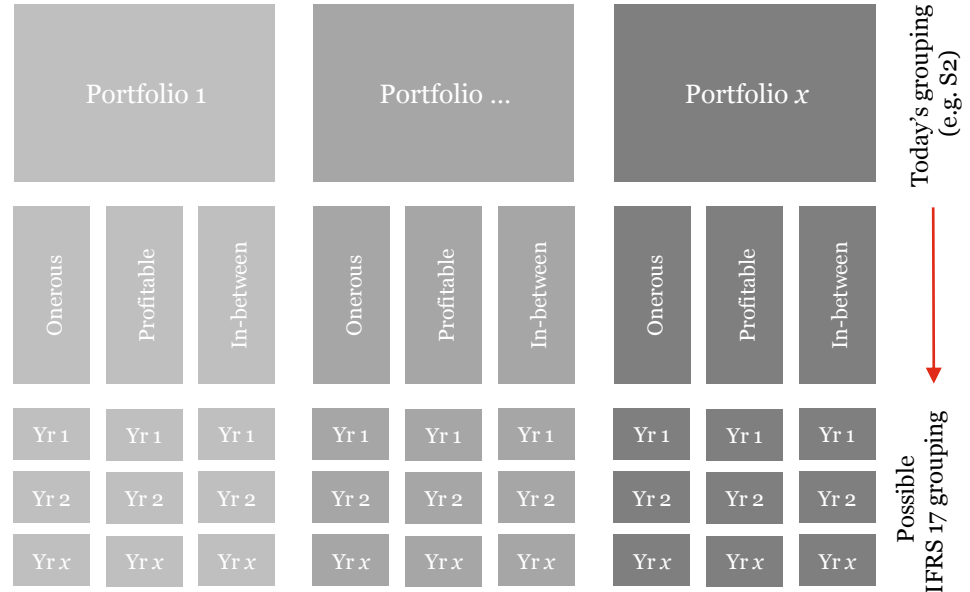
- Subject to similar risks.
- Managed together as a single pool.

And then apply grouping below the portfolio: a group of contracts

- that are onerous at initial recognition.
- that at recognition have no significant risk of becoming onerous.
- remaining contracts in the portfolio.

An entity shall not include contracts issued more than one year apart in the same group.

## Example:



Note that aggregation occurs on inception and that it never changes.

# Performance reporting – Income statement changes significantly

IFRS 4
Premiums written
Investment income
<b>Income</b>
Incurred claims and expenses
Change in insurance liability
<b>Outgo</b>
<b>Profit or loss</b>



IFRS 17
Insurance revenue
Incurred claims and expenses
<b>Insurance service result</b>
Investment income
Insurance finance expenses
<b>Net financial result</b>
<b>Profit or loss</b>
Insurance finance expenses (optional – OCI option)
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>

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Insurance revenue significantly changes. It includes:

- Expected claims and expenses
- Release of Contractual Service Margin
- Release of the Risk Adjustment

Experience adjustments through profit or loss

Changes in non-financial assumptions do not affect current period profit or loss (flow through CSM)

Changes in discount rates affect profit or loss or OCI (option)

# Where is the impact?

Adoption will have wide-ranging, significant impacts on investor education, underlying processes, systems, internal controls, valuation models, and other fundamental aspects of the insurance business.

## Business

- Identify new performance targets.
- Investor education and market story.
- Reconsider product design.
- Planning, budgeting and forecasting functions.
- Update investment strategy?
- Acquisitions and disposals?

## Operational

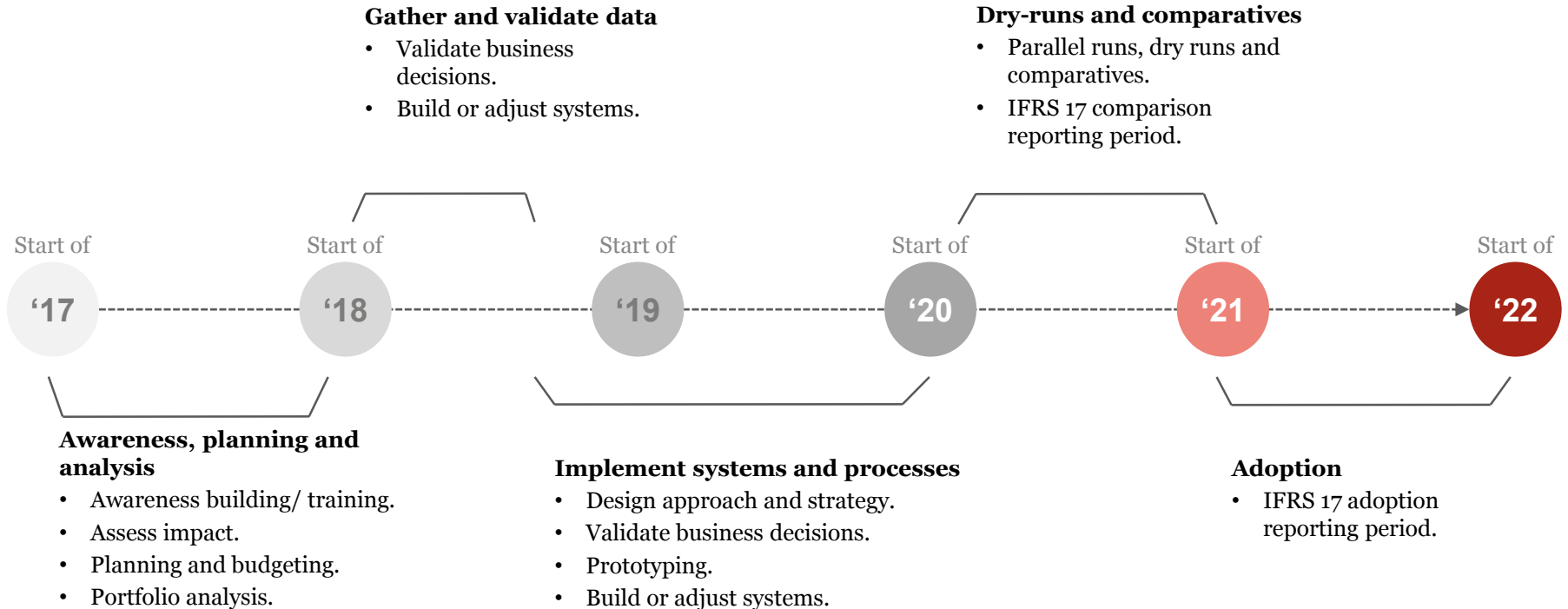
- External reporting timelines in combination with actuarial models.
- New controls and processes for financial reporting, IT and actuarial.
- Education and people strategy.

## Systems

- Record, process and report a greater volume of data with an increased level of complexity.
- Enhance actuarial models.
- Redesign or replace source, feeder and reporting systems.
- Additional load on infrastructure (processing and storage capacity).



# Next steps in preparation of 2021



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