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Dear Mr. Dancey:

**Subject: Letter to Confirm Institutional Support for the SMO Action Plan.**

This letter is to confirm that the leadership of the INSTITUTE OF AUTHORIZED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (ICPARD) has reviewed the information contained in the SMO Action Plan prepared by INSTITUTE OF AUTHORIZED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (ICPARD) as part of the IFAC Member Compliance Program and will provide institutional support for its implementation.

On behalf of the leadership of the INSTITUTE OF AUTHORIZED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (ICPARD), I endorse publication of the SMO Action Plan on the IFAC website in the interests of transparency and to demonstrate our commitment to enhancing the quality and credibility of the accountancy profession worldwide.

Sincerely,

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# **ACTION PLAN WITH IFAC** **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2020-2022**



## **BACKGROUND NOTE ON ACTION PLANS**

SMO Action Plans are developed by IFAC Members and Associates to demonstrate fulfillment of IFAC Statements of Membership Obligations (SMOs). SMOs require IFAC Members and Associates to support the adoption<sup>1</sup> and implementation<sup>2</sup> of international standards and other pronouncements issued by independent standard-setting boards under the auspices of IFAC as well as by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB); and to establish a Quality Assurance (QA) review and Investigation and Disciplinary (I&D) systems.

IFAC Members and Associates conduct a self-assessment against the requirements of SMOs and identify areas where improvements are needed. Based on the results of the assessment, Members and Associates develop an SMO Action Plan to (a) demonstrate how they fulfill the requirements of the SMOs and (b) where some requirements are not yet addressed, to present plans towards their fulfillment.

SMO Action Plans are designed to be ever-green documents that provide a comprehensive description of the accountancy profession and its legislative and regulatory environment in the jurisdiction as well as the actions undertaken by IFAC Members or Associates to support adoption and implementation of international standards and best practices.

Regular updates of the SMO Action Plans are required as part of the IFAC Member Compliance Program.

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## **ACTION PLAN**

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| <b>Organization Member of IFAC:</b> | Institute of Certified Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic (ICPARD) |
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<sup>1</sup> *Adoption* is concerned with the decision that international standards are appropriate for use in specific national financial reporting environments and with the actions necessary to effect those decisions, including incorporation into national requirements or requiring the use of international standards through law. Adoption may include a process to review draft international standards, translation, public exposure of proposed standards, approval, incorporation into national requirements as necessary, and promulgation of final standards, and, where applicable, a convergence process to eliminate or minimize differences between international and national standards.

<sup>2</sup> *Implementation* may include a process to build awareness of the adopted standards, provide relevant education and training, develop or disseminate implementation guidance and any other activities that promote proper understanding and use of the standards in practice.



## GLOSSARY

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| <b>CPD</b>    | Continuing Professional Development   |
| <b>IAASB</b>  | International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board  |
| <b>IAESB</b>  | International Accounting Education Standards Board  |
| <b>IASB</b>   | International Accounting Standards Board  |
| <b>IES</b>    | International Education Standard  |
| <b>IESBA</b>  | International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants  |
| <b>IFAC</b>   | International Federation of Accountants   |
| <b>IFRS</b>   | International Financial Reporting Standards   |
| <b>IPSAS</b>  | International Public Sector Accounting Standards  |
| <b>IPSASB</b> | International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board ISA International Standard on Auditing |
| <b>ISQC1</b>  | International Standard on Quality Control 1   |
| <b>QA</b>     | Quality Assurance   |
| <b>AIC</b>    | Inter-American Accounting Association   |
| <b>AF</b>     | Association of Signatures   |
| <b>CCA</b>    | ContiComité de Educación nuing  |
| <b>CPA</b>    | Certified Public Accountant   |
| <b>DT</b>     | Disciplinary Tribune  |
| <b>ED</b>     | Executive Director  |
| <b>IAASB</b>  | International Audit and Standards Assurance Board   |
| <b>IASB</b>   | International Accounting Standards Board  |
| <b>ICPARD</b> | Institute of Public Accountants in the Dominican Republic                                     |
| <b>IES</b>    | International Standards of Education  |
| <b>IESBA</b>  | International Standards Board of Accountants Ethics   |
| <b>IFRS</b>   | International standards of FINANCIAL INFORMATION  |
| <b>IPSAS</b>  | International Public Sector Accounting Standards  |
| <b>IPSASB</b> | Public Sector Accounting Standards Board<br><i>International Standards on Auditing</i>        |
| <b>JD</b>     | Board of Directors  |
| <b>AP</b>     | Action Plan   |
| <b>QA</b>     | Quality assurance system  |
| <b>QAP</b>    | Quality assurance program   |
| <b>QC</b>     | Quality control   |
| <b>CCC</b>    | Quality Control Committee   |



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| <b>SCAP</b>    | Committee on Auditing Standards and Procedures |
| <b>SEGUNDO</b> | <i>Standards and Ethics Committee</i>          |
| <b>SME</b>     | Small and medium enterprises                   |
| <b>SMO</b>     | Declaration of Obligations of Members          |
| <b>TD</b>      | Technical Director                             |



## **GENERAL BACKGROUND:**

The Institute of Authorized Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic (ICPARD) was created through the enactment of Law no. 633 on Authorized Public Accountants, dated June 16, 1944. It would be integrated by all the Authorized Public Accountants that have in force the corresponding exequatur and that satisfy the quotas and other requirements demanded by the Internal Regulation no. 2032 approved by the executive power on June 1, 1984. Its nature was extended with the Internal Regulation no. 2032 taking for granted that it is the maximum organization of Authorized Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic and whose purposes would be:

- a) Contribute to the advancement of Accounting and promote the development of the profession of Certified Public Accountant;
- b) To strengthen relations between the Authorized Public Accountants of our country, and between these and foreign colleagues;
- c) Promote and maintain a high prestige in the exercise of the profession of Certified Public Accountant;
- d) Safeguard the professional interests of its members and provide them with professional or moral help;
- e) To seek the unification of criteria among its associates in matters of a professional nature;
- f) Issue mandatory rules for its associates regarding auditing standards and procedures, accounting principles, professional ethics and any other rules that may be necessary for the better ordering of professional practice;
- g) To advise the public and private institutions of the country, regarding the matters of their specialty and to answer the queries that in that sense are made to them;
- h) Present to the corresponding government agencies, recommendations for preliminary bills regarding laws that directly or indirectly affect the profession;
- i) Promote the nationalization of the exercise of Public Accounting in the Dominican Republic.

Its **Mission** is to guarantee the highest level of development of the Authorized Public Accountant and to provide the regulations for the exercise of public accounting in the country.

Its **Vision** is to be the institution that integrates the Authorized Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic, providing them with the most up-to-date information on the normative aspects in Accounting and Auditing, and on the technological advances related to our profession. Must ensure that the country and society receive an ethical and world-class service and attract the best national talents to our profession and maintain it as one of the most prestigious and most important in society.

Its **Values** are, **Service**: Identify and provide techniques for the development and professional growth of the members and satisfy other needs that can be met; **Quality**: Maintain an image that identifies the institution with excellence and vocation of service in the delivery of high-level updated products; **Institutionality**: Maintain the organization within the legal canons and adequate administrative systems.

Currently, in addition to being a member of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), its a member of the Inter-American Accounting Association (AIC), Latine- Europe- America Integration Committee (CILEA) and the Latin American Group of Financial Reporting Standards (GLENIF).



### **RECTOR ORGANISM:**

The Institute of Authorized Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic is the highest regulatory authority for the professional practice of public accounting in the country. The professionals graduated from the accounting career of the universities can only act as Certified Public Accountants in the manner provided in Law 633 and its Internal Regulation 2032 when they request and receive an exequatur from the Executive Power for that purpose. In accordance with the provisions of Law no. 111 on Exequatur for Professionals these must be requested through the Treasury Department.

In accordance with the provisions of Law 633 and its internal regulations 2032, the ICPARD is the official guild established by the Dominican State to regulate the exercise of accounting, being the only entity authorized by law to represent the regulatory agencies of the accounting profession, nationally and internationally. As the regulator of the profession, it is the body responsible for issuing and promulgating the updates of the profession in its technical and methodological aspects. Therefore, based on the powers conferred ICPARD resolved:

- a) Adopt that the International Accounting Standards (NIC's) would come into force as of January 1, 2000
- b) Adopt that the International Standards of Audit (NIA's) would come into force from the fiscal periods that closed on June 30, 2000
- c) Adopt that the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) would come into effect as of January 1, 2014, except for regulated entities that may maintain their accounting records on the basis established by their regulatory bodies, such as the financial intermediation and exchange entities regulated by the Superintendence of Banks, until they fully adopt the IFRS. This adoption replaces and repeals the adoption of NICs described in subparagraph a).
- d) Adopt that the International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (IFRS Pymes) would come into force as of January 1, 2014. This adoption replaces and repeals the adoption of NICs described in subparagraph a).
- e) Adopt the Revised International Auditing Standards (ISA 700, ISA 701, ISA 705, ISA 706, ISA 720) through resolutions 04-11-2016 and 02-23-2017.
- f) Adopt and implement the International Quality Control Standard 1 (NICC 1) and the International Auditing Standard 220, Quality Control of the Audit of Financial Statements, through resolutions 23-08-2019 and 07-10-2021.

### **FRAMEWORK OF GOVERNANCE:**

According to Chapter III of the Internal Regulation 2032 in its Article 16 the Institute of Authorized Public Accountants of the Dominican Republic (ICPARD) will be integrated by the following governing bodies:

- a) The General Assembly
- b) The Board of Directors
- c) The Disciplinary Tribune
- d) The Internal Audit Committee



The General Assembly is the maximum organism of the institute and is constituted by the universality of its members and its decisions must be obeyed by all its members. It may be Electoral, Ordinary and Extraordinary.

The General Electoral Assembly is the one that should be held in full right every two years with the purpose of electing the members of the Board of Directors, the Disciplinary Tribune and the Internal Audit Committee.

The General Ordinary Assembly is the one that will be held in full right once a year in the second half of the month of June of each year, with the purpose of deliberating and deciding on the following matters:

- Receive the annual report of the Board of Directors
- Put the new Board of Directors in possession
- Vote, repeal or modify your own rules
- Deliberate on the matters set forth in the agenda
- Know the annual report of the Disciplinary Tribune and the chairman of the Internal Audit Committee
- Any other matter of its competence in accordance with this regulation.

Extraordinary General Assemblies are those that can only be convened by the Board of Directors or at least 100 regular members and in cases of dismissal of members of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors is the executive body of the institute and will have the official representation thereof. It will be integrated by the following members; that will last two years in their functions:

- a) A President
- b) A Vice President
- c) A General Secretary
- d) A Treasurer
- e) Three (3) Vocals

Among its most important attributions are to ensure compliance with the activities that are specific to the Institute are developed in accordance with the principles and regulatory standards, such as the Declarations of Obligations of Members. Designate the indispensable personnel for the normal functioning of the institute. At present, the institute has a Technical Direction and an Administrative Direction, both responsible for the implementation of the decisions of the Board of Directors and the undertaking of projects that improve the interests of the members of the institute.

Also, the appointment of the permanent and special committees, among which are:

- a) Professional Qualifications and Ethics Committee





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- b) Auditing Standards and Procedures Committee
- c) Accounting Principles Committee
- d) Continuing Education and Professional Development Committee
- e) Social Activities and Public Relations Committee
- f) Finance Committee
- g) Publications Committee
- h) Juridical Committee
- i) Professional Assistance Committee
- j) Social Security and Cooperatives Committee
- k) Student Affairs Committee
- l) Public Sector Committee
- m) Ethics in Professional Practice Committee
- n) Tax and Fiscal Committee
- o) Comprehensive Management of SMEs Committee
- p) Systems and Information Technology Committee
- q) Implementation of Quality Control Systems Committee
- r) Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Committee
- s) Accounting Expertise Committee
- t) CPA Firms Committee
- u) Membership and Liaison Committee with University Institutions
- v) Special Electoral Regulation Modification Committee
- w) Advisory Committee

These committees are formed by prominent accountants in their areas of professional experience and in some cases are composed of former presidents of the institute.

The ICPARD has three (3) Regionals (North, South and East) and some 18 provincial offices or subsidiaries which are composed of a Board of Directors similar to that contained by the National Board of Directors. These territorial divisions have representation in the National Board of Directors through three Members.

The membership of ICPARD amounts to more than 17 thousand registered members and more than 700 registered firms throughout the country, however, considered as Regular Members or Assets amount to 4590 members and 487 signatures.



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### **INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTH:**

Despite the economic and social circumstances of our country, ICPARD has remained an institution of high credibility and of recognized quality in the areas of training and professional training, managing to be a reference in the field of training and professional training in International Standards, Taxation, Finance, among others. Despite the fact that ICPARD does not have its main source of financing, according to what is established in law 633 article 3, the documents issued by the Authorized Public Accountants must contain a stamp of the tax administration with which the institute will finance its operations. In spite of this, the Boards of Directors that in the last ten (10) years have passed through the ICPARD have undertaken other financing channels that, at the same time, generate income has served as a platform to play their role as regulator of the profession.

In this way ICPARD has achieved in its seventy-seven (77) years been considered with an organized entity, self-regulated and adhering to international standards and with respect for the institutionalism for the good of the public interest.

The ICPARD currently has a Higher Education Center whose main training focus is the IFRS, NIA, IPSAS and in general all areas in which public accountants can develop.

Currently the ICPARD has two projects of vital importance for the accounting profession in the Dominican Republic, one is the draft bill that unifies ICPARD and the Dominican Accountants Association (CODOCON), the latter is an association of accountants that mostly they are members of the ICPARD but at the same time they group and influence in geographic areas of the country where the ICPARD has not managed to strengthen its leadership in the profession and the implementation of the project of implementation of the guide or manual of quality control for medium-sized firms And small. This project is very ambitious for the organization in view of the fact that despite having adopted NIA, the conditions in terms of orientation and comprehensive accompaniment of the implementation of this system is a debt that ICPARD has for Dominican society.



**Action Plan Theme:** DOM-1 Quality Control

**Action Plan Objective:** Implementation and development of a Quality Control System for accounting companies

#### **A. Responsibility:**

Based on Law 633 and its Regulation of 2032, ICPARD is the institution responsible for the adoption, implementation and regulation of international standards, in general, in the Dominican Republic, as well as for the application of the seven Declarations of Obligations of Members (DOM) issued by IFAC. In 2000, ICPARD adopted the International Auditing Standards by means of a resolution that, as a consequence, requires that firms that audit financial statements must comply with the provisions of ISA 220 Quality Control of the Financial Statements Audit and the International Standard of Quality Control 1 (NICC 1) for those audit firms that perform audits and reviews of financial information, assurance work and other related services.

In this sense, the ICPARD through its Committee for the Implementation of Quality Control Systems works on the implementation of the Manual for the Implementation of a Quality Control System for Firms in the Dominican Republic, this manual will help medium-sized firms and small to implement the minimum general guidelines to perform a professional practice with due quality; as established by the aforementioned standards.

The ICPARD Board of Directors is aware that implementing quality does not mean simply creating a committee and creating an implementation guide, so one of the main steps to be taken will be to train its members based on a quality culture that begins with programs of Professional Development and form an internal department responsible for carrying out the reviews and supervision of compliance with the quality control system that are finally approved if necessary by a General Assembly. At the beginning of the 2016-2018 Board of Directors, a work program was designed from the Professional Qualifications and Ethics Committee and the Technical Directorate to evaluate and purge the signatures that, in the matter of files deposited in the ICPARD, are in compliance with the resolution number 06-02-2014 that establishes Regulations for the Registration of Authorized Public Accountants Companies, a product of this work ICPARD now counts on the debugging of its signature memberships and the processes of applications for the incorporation of new firms has led to the strict compliance with said regulation. This has been developed as a first phase or prelude to quality control work.

The auditing firms that practice external auditing of the financial intermediation and exchange entities must comply with the quality standards that the Superintendencia of Banks establishes through the External Auditors Regulation. This Superintendencia performs periodic reviews of the work papers that gave rise to the audit report of the financial intermediation and exchange entity. At present, this Superintendencia of Banks in combination with the Central Bank proposed to the Monetary Board the promulgation of a new regulation, which through the Eighth Resolution dictates the new Regulation for External Audits, to date the technical commissions of ICPARD and Firms individually have issued technical opinions to the same, which are in the evaluation phase. In the future, ICPARD hopes to strengthen the quality control processes of these firms in coordination with this superintendencia.



## **B. Scope:**

On the basis of DOM-1, ICPARD makes its best efforts because the professional practice of the accountants is framed on the basis of the Code of Professional Ethics of the Public Accountant as the main basis so that the audit assignments or other services have an adequate provision of service with quality, for this the Committee of Qualifications and Professional Ethics is maintained in supervision of faithful compliance with this code of ethics. The requirements established by the Qualifications and Professional Ethics Committee in turn serve as a quality control system in the process of requesting the registration of new accountants and requests for registration of new audit firms, which in the future together with the Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program will supervise that all audit firms have these programs as a mandatory requirement in their structures.

The ICPARD together with its Committee for **the Implementation** of the Quality Control Program is in the process of socialization and application of the Quality Control Manual for small and medium-sized independent firms and accountants. We understand that this application will be a process of progressive adaptation, until it reaches the entire national territory.

## **C. Strategies for implementation:**

For the implementation of quality control for accounting firms, ICPARD developed a Manual for the Implementation of a Quality Control System for Firms in the Dominican Republic, which is based on the International Quality Control Standard (NICC-01), issued by IFAC, and that is used by the Inter-American Accounting Association (AIC), for quality control programs in the professional practice.

**Stage 1: Adoption Process:** Regarding the adoption of the manual, ICPARD will issue a resolution immediately to have the Quality Control Manual for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises available, for the time being ICPARD has extended and / or expanded the conformation of the Committee for the Implementation of Quality Control integrating government entities where accountants have a direct impact, such as:

- Superintendence of Banks (SIB)
- Superintendence of Securities (SIV)
- General Direction of Internal Taxes (DGII)
- General Direction of Government Accounting (DIGECOG)
- Office of the General Comptroller of the Republic
- Superintendence of Pensions (SIPEN)
- Institute of Development and Cooperative Credit (IDECOOP)
- Superintendence of Health and Occupational Risks (SISALRIL)
- Superintendence of Insurance (SUPERSEGUROS)

With this integration, ICPARD intends to receive feedback and strengthen this manual so as to later proceed to call the signatures and socialize the application of the manual. In a first phase, we understand that it will be voluntary for firms to submit to the evaluation process in order to determine if they meet the requirements established in the Quality Standards that will be applicable under the model embodied in the manual.



**Stage 2: Implementation process:** the ICPARD, through **the Implementation** Committee of the Quality Control Program, will develop professional panels to be taught at the national level, training courses will be given in diploma format, we will work tables to discuss the contents of the manual, together with the modification of law 633, we will propose new regulations to regulate and monitor the quality of the audit work, review services and the professional practice of the independent accountant. Through this quality control system, ICPARD will be evaluating the firms and their audit processes, with the aim of ensuring that the quality control system is complied with.

**Stage 3: Evaluation process:** Once stages 1 and 2 are implemented, stage 3 will begin, within this stage the ICPARD will be able to carry out the supervision of the audit works carried out by the public accountants and signatures associated, to evaluate them, follow up and ensure that they comply with the corrective measures implemented by ICPARD, described in the previous paragraph, and compliance with the NIC, IFRS, NIA, and IPSAS. At this stage, ICPARD expects to have a robust technical platform that executes annually the quality control programs designed to guarantee the public interest. The results of the quality control evaluations will be announced annually by means of a call to a closed event with the members, where the feedback of the place is made and the place measurements are established to improve the statistics resulting from the evaluations.

| NO.                               | STARTS       | ACTION   | TERMINATION                              | RESPONSABLES                                     | RESOURCES             |
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| <b>Stage 1: Adoption Process:</b> |              |  |  |  |                       |
| 1.                                | June 2016    | Conformation of the Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program  | Finished                                 | Board of Directors                               | Meetings              |
| 2.                                | August 2016  | Hiring of the Technical Department as support to the technical committees and the work of the Board of Directors.  | Finished                                 | Board of Directors                               | Meetings              |
| 3.                                | October 2016 | Visit of the Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program in training sponsored by the Inter-American Accounting Association (AIC) at the City of Knowledge in Panama on Quality Control Systems  | Finished                                 | Board of Directors                               | Meetings              |
| 4.                                | October 2017 | Development of a Manual for the Implementation of a Quality Control System for Firms in the Dominican Republic with the objective of implementing the monitoring of the Quality Control Systems that firms must have by means of the application of the International Quality Control Standard (NIIC 1) and International Auditing Standard 220 (ISA 220). | Finished<br>Febrero 2018                 | Quality Control Program Implementation Committee | Meetings de discusión |
| 5.                                | March 2018   | Submission of communications to government entities to be part of the Committee for the Implementation of Quality Control Programs   | Finished                                 | Board of Directors                               | Technical Direction   |
| 6.                                | March 2018   | Complete the conformation of the committee of quality control with the designation of the representatives of the governmental entities.  | Still running.<br>Estimated to end third | Technical Direction                              | Meetings              |



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|      |                         |   | quarter 2018              |  |   |
| 7.   | Third Quarter 2018      | Working and discussion tables of the Manual for the Implementation of a Quality Control System for Firms of the Dominican Republic with the full committee  | Finished November 2019    | Technical Direction  | Meetings  |
| 8.   | Third Quarter 2018      | Collection of information on the universe of registered firms to determine the current status of the adoption of the quality control systems established in NICC 1 and ISA 220.                                     | In process                | Technical Management, Committee of Qualifications and Ethics | Technical staff   |
| 9.   | August - September 2018 | Hiring of technical personnel that will support the information surveys described in the previous item.   | In process                | Board of Directors and Administrative Management             | Interviews for recruitment and selection.   |
| 10.  | Fourth quarter 2018     | Preparation of a technical event where ICPARD presents the statistical results of the information surveys and gives a lecture on the implementation manual.   | Finished 22 february 2020 | Board of Directors and Administrative Management             | Technical Direction, Committee of Qualifications and Ethics and Committee of Implementation of the Program of Quality Control |
| 11.  | Fourth Quarter 2018     | Public presentation of the Manual of Implementation of the Quality Control System for Firms of the Dominican Republic with a view to its implementation through the mandate in resolution of the Board of Directors | Finished                  | Board of Directors   | Meetings  |
| 12.  | Third Quarter 2018      | Review of the Regulation of Authorized Public Accountant Companies (Audit Firms) and presentation of improvements in it. And put it in public views.  | First Quarter 2022.       | Qualifications and Ethics Committee and Technical Management | Meetings  |
| 13.  | Third Quarter 2018      | Creation of the Draft Regulation of Accountants Societies dedicated to Review Services and Other Related Services. And put it in public views.  | First Quarter 2022        | Qualifications and Ethics Committee and Technical Management | Meetings  |
| 14., | Third Quarter 2018      | Creation of the Draft Regulation of Authorized Public Accountants that perform independent professional practice. And put it in public views.   | First Quarter 2022        | Qualifications and Ethics Committee and Technical Management | Meetings  |



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| 15.                                     | June 2018          | Dialogue with the Superintendence of Banks and the Central Bank to evaluate the New Draft Regulation of External Audits of Financial and Exchange Intermediation Entities and our comments. Your participation in the Quality Control Committee and your support in this system through this new regulation.  | Third Quarter 2022 | Technical Direction, Committee of Qualifications and Ethics and Committee for the Implementation of the Quality Control Program, Auditing Standards Committee | Meetings |
| 16.                                     | August 2016        | Review and evaluation of the DOM, understanding and knowledge of the different models of quality control systems that may be launched in the Dominican Republic.  | In process         | Technical Management, Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program, Board of Directors   | Meetings |
| 17.                                     | Third quarter 2018 | We will evaluate by means of consultations and work meetings the corresponding areas of the Superintendency of Banks and other governmental entities that practice quality control reviews if the results of their evaluations reflect compliance with the International Standards of Quality Control 1 (NICC 1) and International Standards on Auditing 220 (ISA 220). | In process         | Technical Management, Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program, Board of Directors   | Meetings |
| <b>Stage 2: Implementation Process:</b> |                    |   |                    |   |          |
| 1.                                      | October 2016       | We made a Professional Panel on the Implementation of the Quality Control Program for Medium and Small Firms, with the participation of technicians sent to Panama and Mr. Francisco Pintó.   | Finished           | Technical Direction   | Meetings |
| 2.                                      | November 2016      | We held the conference on Quality Control and Professional Certification from the CPC Antonio Gómez Espiñeira and a virtual talk about an audit software used to develop an optimal quality control of the orders   | Finished           | Technical Direction   | Meetings |
| 3.                                      | Third quarter 2018 | Creation of the Diploma of Design and Implementation of a Quality Control System for Public Accountants   | In process         | Technical Director and Implementation   | Meetings |



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|                                     |                     |  |                     | Committee of the Quality Control Program  |   |
| 4.                                  | Second quarter 2019 | We will conduct talks, panels or seminars where the main focus is Quality Control in Santo Domingo, Regional and Subsidiaries  | In process          | Board of Directors  | Technical Management and Quality Control Implementation Committee |
| 5.                                  | Third quarter 2018  | Creation of the Diploma based on the Manual for Structuring Small Firms of Public Accountants of IFAC  | In process          | Technical direction   | Meetings  |
| 6.                                  | Third Quarter 2018  | Creation of the Workshop Course on the Checklist of Requirements for Quality Control Standards and Auditing Standards  | Fourth Quarter 2018 | Technical direction   | Meetings  |
| 7.                                  | Second Quarter 2019 | Develop an intensified communication plan that discloses the entire adoption phase, implementation, training programs and educational agreements that may arise with universities and other interested parties   | Continuous          | Board of Directors  | Meetings with the Publications Committee                          |
| 8.                                  | Third Quarter 2018  | Encourage universities to include subjects that promote quality control standards  | Continuous          | Continuing Education Committee, Board of Directors, Technical Management  | Meetings with the Universities                                    |
| 9.                                  | First quarter 2019  | Load on the ICPARD website the different guides and manuals that arise from implementing the application of this DOM.  | In process          | Technical direction   | Meetings  |
| <b>Stage 3: Evaluation Process:</b> |                     |  |                     |   |   |
| 1.                                  | Third Quarter 2019  | We will make a sample of the signatures registered in the ICPARD and conduct periodic reviews to validate, together with the Qualifications and Ethics Committee, compliance with the regulations and quality control systems based on the established manual and in NICC 01 and NIA 220 | Continuous          | Technical Management, Implementation Committee of the Quality Control Program, Board of Directors, Committee of Qualifications and Ethics | Meetings  |
| 2.                                  | Continuous          | Technical event to be held annually where we will present to the members the annual statistics of the quality reviews with a view to impregnate continuous improvements to the processes of implementation and monitoring of the quality control systems.                                | Continuous          | Board of Directors  | Meetings  |





**Action Plan Theme:** DOM-2 International Education Standards  
**Action Plan Objective:** Adoption and Implementation of International Standards issued by the IAESB

#### **A. Responsibility:**

In the Dominican Republic the accounting career is developed in the Universities attached to the Ministry of Higher Education Science and Technology (MESCyT). The universities have complete autonomy in the conformation of their curriculum of the university career or the Initial Professional Development (DPI), the ICPARD does not have support of the legal framework to impose International Standards of Education in the universities and even the moment has not developed all the influence that outside the legal framework could be done voluntarily of the universities for its application, nevertheless, in some universities it has managed to penetrate by means of integrating in the Commission Continued Education and Professional Development to the directors of accounting career.

Upon graduation from the accounting career of any of the Dominican universities, the accounting professionals may act as Certified Public Accountants as long as they request and receive an exequatur from the Executive Power, currently receiving an exequatur does not envisage great efforts for the accountant in view of You will only have to meet the following requirements:

- a) Be at least 21 years old and be in the exercise of civil rights;
- b) Hold the title of Bachelor or Doctor in Commercial Sciences issued or revalidated by the University of Santo Domingo or the Certified Accountant Issued by the School of Expert Accountants, originally created by Law no. 633 of June 16, 1944;
- c) Satisfy the requirements of internship to the professional practice established by the Internal Regulations of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants, when it refers to a Bachelor or Doctor in Commercial Sciences or to a Qualified Accountant.

This means that any graduate with or without the technical competences required in the International Standards and in the Dominican Laws may exercise the same similarity as an experienced accountant in the subject. Therefore, to work as an Authorized Public Accountant does not require obtaining prior experience or the completion of professional certification, nor have the approval of professional exams. However, ICPARD is studying the possibility of implementing a full program of compulsory continuing education, which would contain the requirements and obligations framed in the education regulations through the modification of Law 633 of Authorized Public Accountants.

Therefore, the limitations seen with regard to the curriculum of accounting careers in universities and the requirements to approve an exequatur do not allow the full adoption of the Education Standards, however, ICPARD works together with the Continuing Education Committee integrated by the directors of the accounting career of the universities to develop evaluations to the entrance requirements to aspiring public accountants, to develop courses and educational programs that strengthen the professional, to develop congresses of students and congresses of Teachers with a view to enhancing the quality of education and graduates, among many other measures that will arise through the development of the implementation of the standard.

With regard to continuing education programs at the beginning of the Board of Directors 2016-2018, ICPARD remodeled the Center for Higher Studies, thus



improving the infrastructure; This in turn led to improvements in the educational programs, thus achieving a relaunch of the main ICPARD productive apparatus and with which the organization counts for the dissemination of all international standards.

ICPARD currently has a draft bill for Public Accountants, this project also involves unifying the accounting profession in the Dominican Republic to raise important changes in the regulation of the profession, for which we consider that the aspects framed in this DOM They can be strengthened with it.

**B. Scope:**

For the reasons set out in the responsibility section, the Board of Directors through the Legal Committee has prepared a preliminary draft amendment of Law 633, at the date of presentation of this action plan ICPARD had yet to meet in the Assembly General Accountants with a view to its approval being sent to the Legislative Chambers. The Board of Directors 2018-2020 signed an agreement with Master - ICAEW to impart in virtual format diplomas and Professional Certifications in International Information Standards Financial FULL and SMEs, and also in International Auditing Standards.

**C. Strategies for Implementation:**

Implementing the International Training Standards entails working in several aspects:

- a) With the technical schools that graduate students who will go to the university, but they will be technical graduates in accounting. For this and for the university students the ICPARD will guide its strategy based on the membership Pro-member, this membership is the one used by the ICPARD to register students of the accounting career and design a training program focused on them.
- b) With the universities regarding the establishment of agreements to reformulate the educational programs and obtain a commitment in the training of the teachers under the updating programs created by the ICPARD in compliance with the SOM and in the obtaining of the university degree. - Requirements for courses in standards dictated by ICPARD.
- c) Through the Committee on Continuing Education and Professional Development, which is integrated by the directors of the accounting career of the universities to encourage the creation of student committees, their registration as pro-members, the development of student congresses and of teachers, among others.
- d) By means of the modification of the law, obtaining greater regulation and control of the collegiate will lead to establishing mandatory continuing education requirements, establishment of professional certifications, among others.



| NO.                               | STARTS         | ACTION   | TERMINATION               | RESPONSABLES  | RESOURCES  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Stage 1: Adoption Process:</b> |                |  |                           |   |  |
| 1.                                | June 2016      | Restructuring of the Continuing Education Committee Educación Continuada   | Finished                  | Board of Directors  | Meetings de Selección                                  |
| 2.                                | August 2016    | Hiring of the technical direction and establishment of the work plan related to the Continuing Education Committee   | Finished                  | Board of Directors  | Interviews and personnel evaluation                    |
| 3.                                | September 2016 | Remodeling and improvements of the Higher Studies Center of ICPARD   | Finished                  | Board of Directors and Administrative Management                            | Evaluation Meetings                                    |
| 4.                                | September 2016 | We have carried out work tables with the universities as part of the joint review agenda of the university curriculum. Achieving that the ICPARD strengthen its relationship with the academy.   | Renewable annually        | Technical Management and Presidency of ICPARD                               | Meetings   |
| 5.                                | September 2016 | We signed an agreement with the Master-Icaew and we opened a diploma in a virtual platform with National scope so that all the counters of the country and the certification in IFRS Full, IFRS Pymes and International Auditing Standards (ISAs).             | Finished                  | Board of Directors / Technical Management / Administrative Management       | Meetings   |
| 6.                                | October 2016   | We refined the teachers 'curricula and their professional profile, significantly restructuring the instructors' staff.   | Finished                  | Technical direction   | Review of teacher evaluation systems, among others     |
| 7.                                | November 2016  | We participate in the creation of the Advisory Board of the accounting career of the University Pedro Henríquez Ureña (UNPHU), which meets annually to evaluate the curriculum of the accounting career. In November 2017 we returned to participate in it.    | <i>Renewable annually</i> | Board of Directors, Technical Director, Qualifications and Ethics Committee | Meetings   |
| 8.                                | November 2016  | Review of the entire educational offer contained in the continuing education programs in our Higher Education Center, achieving an improvement in the training programs.   | Finished                  | Technical direction   | Meetings with Technical Commissions to assess the same |
| 9.                                | January 2017   | Review of the institutional agreements held with the Dominican universities.   | Finished                  | Board of Directors and Technical Management                                 | Meetings   |
| 10.                               | March 2017     | Call to the career directors of the 10 leading universities that teach accounting to define issues of interest, establish student committees, give talks on professional ethics, coordinate work tables to discuss university study programs, propose training | Completed                 | Technical Management, Qualifications and Ethics Committee and               | Meetings   |



|     |                |   |             |  |                                  |
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|     |                | to university teachers, among others  |             | Board of Directors   |                                  |
| 11. | March 2017     | Renewal of the institutional agreement with the entity Fundapec, entity dedicated to the financing of educational programs.   | Finished    | Board of Directors and Technical Management  | Meetings                         |
| 12. | May 2017       | We have made lunches with representatives of the accounting career of the universities and have prepared combined agendas of the Continuing Education Committee and the Committee on Ethics in Professional Practice, specifying talks on the Code of Professional Ethics of the Public Accountant, formation of student committees, among others.  | Finished    | Board of Directors / Technical Management / Administrative Management              | Meetings                         |
| 13. | June 2017      | Follow-up meetings with the universities to understand the components or starting points that gave rise to their curricula and if they are according to the DOM no. 2 and the Training Standards.   | in progress | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                         | Meetings with accounting schools |
| 14. | November 2017  | Signing of more focused agreements with universities where ICPARD agrees on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandatory requirement to complete the diploma in IFRS to be a university graduate, either in the virtual platform or in person</li> <li>• Train university teachers in IFRS, NIA, Code of Ethics and IPSAS</li> <li>• Create accounting student committees</li> <li>• Date annually by university the congress of accounting students</li> <li>• Create register of adherent members of universities</li> </ul> | Ongoing     | Board of Directors   | Meetings                         |
| 15. | March 2018     | Meeting with the Commission of Continuing Education to restructure the work plan of the committee, the realization of student congresses and of teachers among others.  | Finished    | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                         | Meetings                         |
| 16. | Second         | Evaluate, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, the issuance of a draft resolution that indicates the adoption of the Training Standards and that is supported by the Ministry of Higher Education Science and Technology   | In progress | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                         | Meetings                         |
| 17. | Trimester 2018 | With the proposal of the draft law of public accounting we propose the creation of a special register of adherent members (universities) in the ICPARD records and that by means of a regulation contemplates the approval of the   | Ongoing     | Board of Directors, Juridical Committee, Technical Direction, Continuing Education | Asamblea General                 |



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|   |                     | university curriculum of the accounting career and other obligations emanated in the standards of education.   |             | Committee,   |   |
| <b>Stage 2: Implementation Process:</b> |                     |  |             |  |   |
| 1.                                      | Second Quarter 2018 | Maintain a permanent dialogue with the universities so that they support the processes of adoption and implementation of the Training Standards, with which the ICPARD accompanies the universities in the adaptation of their curriculum.   | Ongoing     | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                     | Work tables   |
| 2.                                      | Second Quarter 2018 | Hold a national event where ICPARD invites the authorities of the Ministry of Education and the University Chancellors together with their directors of the accounting career to receive a talk on the DOM no. 2 and the Training Standards  | In progress | Board of Directors   | Coordination meetings with Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education |
| 3.                                      | Second Quarter 2018 | Propose to the Board of Directors to implement the certification of compliance with the International Training Standards, in which the ICPARD through its technical areas certifies the accounting programs of the member universities.  | In progress | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                     | Meetings  |
| 4.                                      | First Quarter 2018  | Bring talks to universities where the International Standards are known, including the Standards of Training and Ethics Standards.   | Ongoing     | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                     | Meetings  |
| 5.                                      | Second Quarter 2018 | Hold conferences for students and teachers to keep professionals updated under the regulatory framework.   | Ongoing     | Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education                     | Meetings  |
| 6.                                      | Second Quarter 2018 | The ICPARD will evaluate, together with the continuing education committee, the issuance of a resolution / regulation / that establishes obligatory continuing education obligations as an indispensable requirement to maintain the active membership of the CPA, or in its absence it will study the same through the modification of the law. | Ongoing     | Board of Directors, Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education | Meetings  |
| <b>Stage 3: Evaluation Process:</b>     |                     |  |             |  |   |
| 1.                                      |                     | After stages 1 and 2 are achieved, we will develop a follow-up based on a recurrent supervision with the career directors in the universities and annually institutionalizing the student and teacher congresses.  |             | Board of Directors, Technical Direction and Commission of Continuing Education |   |



**Action Plan Theme:** DOM-3 International Standards and Other pronouncements issued by the IAASB

**Action plan Objective:** Adopt and Implement International Standards and Other pronouncements issued by the IAASB

**Responsibility:**

Through the powers granted by Law 633 and Regulation 2032, ICPARD, as a professional authority in accounting matters, adopted the International Standards for Auditors (ISAs) by means of the resolution dated September 14, 1999 issued by the Board of Directors. Directors of the period 1998-2000, said resolution in its fourth article establishes that the (NIA's) will come into force from the fiscal periods that close to June 30, 2000, although its adoption is recommended as of the publication of this resolution. . Said resolution regarding the use and application of the ISAs are of an exclusive and mandatory nature for the audit firms registered and authorized by the ICPARD in compliance with the Regulation of Authorized Public Accounting Firms. The ICPARD through the Committee of Qualifications and Ethics will monitor and control compliance with the provisions of this DOM and the regulations indicated above.

The following boards of directors were committed to continue the adoption and implementation of the changes that occurred in the International Auditing Standards (ISA) issued by the IAASB, the most recent change adopted by resolution 04-11-2016 Minutes no. 07-2016-2018 on the Adoption of the New Auditor's Opinion Model.

**Scope:**

On the basis of SMO 03, the standard and procedures of the Audit Committee, together with the Board of Directors, have achieved the implementation and use of ISAs in the companies, the audit processes of international companies and medium-sized national companies established in the country, reason for the deepening in its implementation has been gradually increasing.

The ICPARD through its technological platforms (website, Facebook, Instagram, twitter and YouTube), written and digital press, and training events, among others will develop the programs of disclosure of the International Standards of Audit (NIA's), its changes and modifications issued by the IAASB. The audit firms registered in the ICPARD in compliance with the regulation of audit firms shall apply these International Auditing Standards in their audit work as support for their opinion to the audited financial statements, whose working papers shall be available to ICPARD for monitor and control compliance with regulations.

**Implementations Strategies:**

For the implementation of the NIA, the ICPARD has been developing various diploma courses, workshops, seminars, among others that uninterrupted since 2000 have strengthened the knowledge in the application of audit work the current standards, as well as the emission of newsletters transcribed in the statements issued by the IAASB, to raise the level of accounting professionals in this area.

Examinations to CPAs for field certifications, taken willingly: we are developing programs and exams leading to various types of degrees in professional certifications of public accountants, CPA, by field of experience, in order to get specialized professionals in the different fields of accounting practice in the



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Courses and Workshops: At present, the population of courses and workshops has gradually increased, in the capital city, as well as at the national level. In this way, every day there are more companies that work to implement the ISA in the processes of the audit companies.

| #                         | Start date       | Action   | Finish date               | Responsible                                   | Resources   |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|---------------------------|---|---|
| <b>ICPARD resolutions</b> |                  |  |                           |   |   |
| 23.                       | Feb 2011         | The issuance of the NIA approval resolution  | February 2011<br>Finished | Board of Directors and<br>Standards Committee | Meetings<br><br>ICPARD website, email and<br>newspapers |
|                           | November<br>2016 | <p>We issued Resolution 04-11-2016 contained in act 07-2016-2018 where the following rules were adopted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISA 700 (Revised) Formation of the opinion and issuance of the audit report on the financial statements.</li> <li>• ISA 701 Communication of the Key Issues of the audit in the audit report issued by an independent auditor and ISA 720 (Revised) Responsibilities of the auditor with respect to other information.</li> <li>• ISA 705 (Revised). Amended opinion in the audit report issued by an independent auditor.</li> <li>• ISA 706 (Revised) Paragraphs of emphasis and paragraphs on other issues in the audit report issued by an independent auditor.</li> <li>• NIA 570 (Revised) Operating Company.</li> <li>• NIA 260 (Revised) Communication with the heads of the government of the entity</li> </ul> | Finished                  | Audit Standards and<br>Procedures Committee   | Meetings  |



| # | Start date    | Action  | Finish date | Responsible   | Resources                          |
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|   | February 2017 | We issued resolution 23-02-2017 contained in Minutes 12-2016-2018 on the Application of Revised ISA 720 "Responsibilities of the Auditor with respect to other information"   | Finished    | Audit Standards and Procedures Committee, Technical Director and Board of Directors |                                    |
|   | May 2017      | We made the Professional Panel "Knowledge and Professional Experience in the Application of the New Auditor Report Model" during the celebration of the 2017 Accountant Week  | Finished    | Audit Standards and Procedures Committee and Technical Director                     | Meetings                           |
|   | May 2017      | We elaborated the different drafts of auditor reporting models so that they were disclosed in the database of members, published on the ICPARD website and to be delivered to all new ICPARD members and students of Auditing Standards graduates | Finished    | Technical Director and Audit Standards and Procedures Committee                     | Meetings                           |
|   | June 2017     | We held a chat at the Santiago de los Caballeros branch about the changes in the Auditor Report Model   | Finished    | Audit Standards and Procedures Committee and Technical Director                     | Meetings                           |
|   | July 2017     | We provide training to financial intermediation entities to their executives and credit analysts about changes in the auditor's report model  | Finished    | Audit Standards and Procedures Committee and Technical Director                     | Meetings                           |
|   | July 2017     | We held a North Regional Seminar, where 100 accountant members participated, training in the changes that occurred in the Audit report model and other regulations issued and revised.  | Finished    | Board of Directors of the North Regional  | Meetings with Technical Management |
|   | October 2017  | We held a South Regional Seminar, where 240 account members participated, training in the changes that occurred in the Audit Report model and other regulations issued and reviewed.  | Finished    | Board of Directors of the South Regional  | Meetings with Technical Management |
|   | October 2017  | We held an Eastern Regional Seminar, where 200 accountant members participated, training in the changes that occurred in the Audit report model and   | Finished    | Board of Directors of the Eastern Regional  |                                    |





| #   | Start date    | Action  | Finish date               | Responsible   | Resources   |
|---|---------------|---|---------------------------|---|---|
|   |               | other regulations issued and revised.   |                           |   |   |
| <b>Resolutions</b>  |               |   |                           |   |   |
| 24.   | February 2011 | Publication of the NIA approval resolution  | February 2011<br>Finished | Staff members, and<br>Technical Management  | Meetings, publications on the<br>website and sending email<br>newsletters                 |
| <b>Supervision and update</b>   |               |   |                           |   |   |
| 25.   | February 2011 | Monitoring changes in the IAASB standards and ensuring that changes are communicated to the professional accountant   | Ongoing                   | Rules and Procedures of<br>Audit Committee,<br>Committee on Continuing<br>Education, and<br>Technical direction | Seminars, publications<br>received by IFAC and<br>electronic communications to<br>members |
| <b>Orientation and Training in two activities aimed for members and teacher training:</b> |               |   |                           |   |   |
| 26.   |               | 1. The members<br>a) seminars:<br>Develop training seminars on the IAASB standards for professional accountants in:<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NIA basic components</li> <li>• current issues and exchanges in the ISAs</li> <li>• Application of ISA in the field</li> <li>• Challenges of the SME business audit.</li> </ul> | Ongoing                   | Audit Standards and<br>Procedures Committee<br><br>Technical director<br><br>Executive Director                 | Higher Studies Center of<br>ICPARD, CESICPARD<br><br>Seminars and Meetings                |
|   |               | b) Classes and degree courses:<br>Continuing education program based on standards.<br><br>2. Teachers of training for teaching.<br>Educate teachers, with national and international experts from the KPMG, PWC and AIC firms.  | Ongoing                   | Technical director<br>Executive Director  | ICPARD, Center for Higher<br>Studies, CESICPARD.  |
| <b>Signing Agreement Interamerican Accounting Association IAA / AIC</b>                   |               |   |                           |   |   |



| #  | Start date | Action   | Finish date              | Responsible  | Resources          |
|--|------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------|
| 27.  | March 2011 | Agreement with IAA / AIC for the acquisition of Accountants in SME Standards   | August, 2014<br>Finished | Board of Directors,<br>IAA / AIC,<br>Technical direction | ICPARD, Website    |
| <b>Review the ICPARD compliance report</b> |            |  |                          |  |                    |
| 28.  | June 2013  | To continue with the revision of the already revised SMO 03 and the action plan of 01 ICPARD SMO, as well as the pertinent changes, as they are needed. Inform the compliance staff of the IFAC, once the update has been completed, so that compliance personnel publish this update. | <b>On going</b>          | Board of Directors, and<br>Technical director            | Meetings, seminars |



**Action plan Subject:** SMO 4 - Code of Ethics for IESBA professional accountant

**Action Plan Objective:** Updating, promotion and application of the Code of Ethics of ICPARD together with the current IESBA code

**Responsibility:**

Based on Law 633 and its regulations of 2032, ICPARD has the authority to establish and put into practice the ethical standards to regulate and control these aspects on behalf of public accountants in the practice of this profession. This law contemplates the Qualifications and the Ethics Commission for these purposes. This rostrum is authorized to enforce ethical standards in the exercise of the profession in the country, as well as to hear the proceedings against members who violate their positions and regulatory standards.

**Scope:**

Based on SMO 04, the ICPARD's and Ethics Committee's qualifications adapt their ethical standards for the Dominican Republic in accordance with the guidelines issued by the ethical standards IESBA, version 2009 translated into Spanish, which has been able to update its work guidelines towards the improvement of independent practice, through an updated guide that allows its members in the exercise of their functions to the application of ethical and moral values that govern the practice in the world.

**Implementations Strategies:**

For the promotion and application of this new ethical norm in compliance with the IESBA requirements, the ICPARD has been the celebration of Meetings, the sending of materials and the promotion through conferences, seminars and printed material to all its members with The goal is to ensure broad communication and effective application of your full membership.

| #   | Start date     | Action   | Finish date       | Responsible  | Resources                      |
|---|----------------|--|-------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>Review and Update:</b>                                 |                |  |                   |  |                                |
| 29.   | December, 2011 | ICPARD reviewed and updated its Code of Ethics in accordance with IESBA from and based on IFAC, 2009 version | Finished dec 2012 | Board of Directors,<br>Ethics Committee,<br>Technical Management,<br>and<br>Continuing Education of<br>the Institute | Meetings and printed materials |
| <b>Referral of ethical standards to all CPA companies</b> |                |  |                   |  |                                |



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| 30.  | April 2013     | ICPARD sent a printed copy of the Code of Ethics to all companies  | Finished<br>June 2013 | Executive Director  | RD \$ 50,000.00 cost in distributed educational material        |
| <b>Conferences and Educational Seminars of the Ethics Standard throughout the country:</b> |                |  |                       |   |   |
| 31.  | Dec 2011       | Conferences and courses throughout the country, in its 17 subsidiaries, the North, South and East Regionals and the capital, for a total of 15,000 members   | Ongoing               | Board of Directors, and   | Seminars, talks and conferences                                 |
|  | May 2017       | Within the framework of the celebration of the 2017 Accountant Week, we held two conferences aimed at accounting students and icpard members, disclosing the content of the code of ethics   | Finished              | Ethics Committee  | Meetings with the 2017 Accountant Week Organizing Committee     |
|  | September 2017 | Talk about the code of ethics to students of the INCE University.  | Finished              | Professional Qualifications and Ethics Committee and the Committee on Ethics in Professional Practice | Meetings with Director Accounting career and Technical Director |
| <b>Opinion on the ICPARD Compliance Report</b>   |                |  |                       |   |   |
| 32.  | June 2013      | To continue with the revision of the already revised SMO 04 and the ICPARD SMO 04 action plan, as well as the relevant changes, as they are needed. Inform the compliance staff of the IFAC, once the update has been completed, so that compliance personnel publish this update. | Ongoing               | Board of Directors, and Technical direction   | Meetings and Seminars   |



**Action plan Subject:** 5 SMO - International Public Sector Accounting Standards and other pronouncements issued by the IPSASB  
**Action plan Objective:** To carry out agreements with government agencies for the application of the IPSASB

**Responsibility:**

Dominican State has three entities for the regulation of accounting in public entities, which are: Chamber of Accounts of the Dominican Republic, created by Law 10-04, Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic, created by Law 10-07 and the General Directorate of Government Accounting, DIGECOG, established in Law 126-0

**Scope:**

On March 17, 2014, the Government Accounting Agency (DIGECOG) issued the Strategic Plan for the Application of IPSAS, by Carmen F. Grachino de Palladino, an outstanding and meritorious international advisor. In this Plan a diagnosis of the current situation, the key components, and the SWOT analysis is considered in section 1 to 4, and the operational program for implementation, awareness, sponsorship campaign and key activities for implementation, are described in the last three sections from 5 to 7, as described in the Activities, it is expected that the first financial statements will be programmed in 2016 for the central government of 2017 for the decentralized agencies, and 2018 for the City Council.

**CPA Omar de Jesus Caamaño Santana, chief executive of the General Directorate of Government Accounting (DIGECOG) in his speech of the CIC 2015 opening ceremony, progress of the application of IPSAS and the benefits obtained in the established internal control measures, such as liquidation of a single account for the handle commented on deposits and payments of funds from public institutions, replacing and closing more than five hundred (500) in the use of informal accounts.**

**Implementation strategies:**

Meanwhile ICPARD has been developing this application in two aspects:

- a) Signing of agreements with various institutions that regulate the state of the Dominican Republic and, independently, with decentralized entities of the Dominican State, to establish links and work commitments among all the entities, for the strengthening of the accounting process and the application of the IPSAS in state agencies.
- b) In teaching programs, undergraduate courses and Workshops on IPSAS through its Study Center ICPARD held its first workshops on IPSAS in 2012 average, and given that to date, about 15 more have been held with success.



| #  | Start date                   | Action   | Finish date   | Responsible                                 | Resources                    |
|--|------------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------|
| <b>Signing of agreements for the application of International Public Sector Accounting Standards</b> |                              |  |   |   |                              |
| 33.  | December 2012                | <p>ICPARD has been the conclusion of several agreements with different government agencies, with the aim of implementing IPSAS</p> <p>The following agreements with governmental institutions must be signed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Accounting Office of the Government (DIGECOG),</li> <li>• General Direction of Ethics and Government Integrity (DIGEIG)</li> <li>• Dominican Chamber of Accounts (CCRD), Signed.</li> <li>• Ministry of Industry and Commerce, MIC</li> </ul> | <p>October 31, 2013</p> <p>Febr.14, 2013</p> <p>August 13, 2013</p> | Board of Directors / Government Agencies    | Meetings and Agreements      |
|  | August 2017 - September 2017 | Approach with the Training Center in Fiscal Policy and Management (CAPGEFI) to sign an institutional agreement to develop Courses in Public Sector Standards in combination of teachers of both institutions and to do both in this center and in the Higher Studies Center of ICPARD.   | Finished  | Board of Directors and Technical Management | Meetings, Agreement Signing  |
|  | September 2017               | We visited the Director of the Government Accounting Office with the objective of knowing the progress in the implementation of Public Sector standards, leaving it to strengthen the agenda as a whole to support ICPARD's full implementation of them.   | Finished  | Board of Directors, Public Sector Committee | Meetings, Agreements Signing |
| <b>Courses, degree courses and workshops</b>   |                              |  |   |   |                              |



| #  | Start date    | Action  | Finish date | Responsible                               | Resources                   |
|--|---------------|---|-------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 34.  | December 2012 | ICPARD has been training its members in the use and application of the 2012 NICSPs release for its application in the public sector, following the IFAC's Permit policy. As of 2012 and to date, more than 20 workshops on IPSAS have been held.                                    | Ongoing     | Continuing Education Committee            | grade courses and seminars, |
| <b>Opinion on the ICPARD Compliance Report</b> |               |   |             |   |                             |
| 35.  | June 2013     | To continue with the revision of the already revised SMO 05 and the ICPARD SMO 05 action plan, as well as the pertinent changes, as they are needed. Inform the compliance staff of the IFAC, once the update has been completed, so that compliance personnel publish this update. | Ongoing     | Board of Directors<br>Technical direction | Meetings and Seminars       |



**Action plan Subject:** DOM 6 - Research and Discipline

**Action plan Objective:** Implementation of the investigation processes and establishment of disciplinary processes

| #  | Start date     | Action  | Finish date | Responsible   | Resources          |
|--|----------------|---|-------------|---|--------------------|
| <b>Meetings Disciplinary Tribune</b>   |                |   |             |   |                    |
| 36.  | December 2012  | The Disciplinary Tribune meets to learn about the cases reported by the Research and the Ethics and Qualification Committee   | Ongoing     | Board of Directors, Disciplinary Committee                | Meetings           |
| <b>The Research and Training Meetings and Professional Ethics Committees</b> |                |   |             |   |                    |
| 37   | December 2012  | The Committee meets in order to learn about reported cases of violations incurred by members. Reports to the affected and invites them to the meeting.<br><br>During the last quarter of 2015, five cases of malpractice claims by members were handled by the committees.          | Ongoing     | Research and Qualification Committees and ethics involved | Meetings           |
|  | September 2016 | Disclosure of Circular no. CCE 01-2016 on the Obligation to keep accounting records in accordance with national and international regulations. This circular was sent to all members of ICPARD through the database, uploaded to the website and is given to all new sworn members. | Finished    | Professional Qualifications and Ethics Committee          | Discussion tables. |
|  | September 2016 | Disclosure of Circular no. CCE 02-2016 on Propaganda, Offer of Services, Professional Image and Use of Fictitious Name. This circular was sent to all members of ICPARD through the database, uploaded to the website and is given to all new sworn members.                        | Finished    | Professional Qualifications and Ethics Committee          | Discussion tables. |
| <b>Duties and rights of members reported</b>                                 |                |   |             |   |                    |





| #  | Start date    | Action  | Finish date                             | Responsable   | Resources   |
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| 38.  | June 2012     | <p>Members are invited to deliberate with the investigation and qualification and Ethics Committees, as well as with the Disciplinary Tribunal, to be heard while allowing the appeal as part of the procedure.</p> <p>Both committees provide follow-up to the agreements signed between the parties.</p> <p><b>That concluded in November 2015, these committees issued a judgment, sanctioning with an exclusion years of the membership of ICPARD, a member who has incurred professional malpractice.</b></p>  | Ongoing                                 | <p>Research committees, and<br/>Qualification and Ethics</p> <p>Disciplinary Court</p>      | Meetings  |
| <b>New Regulation of Subsidiaries</b>      |               |   |   |   |   |
| 39.  | December 2012 | <p>The ICPARD prepared the Regulation subsidiaries that, together with the Code of Ethics governs the processes of associations of members in the country.</p> <p>It contains the aspects of: association, misery, elections, sanctions and guidelines that guarantee the stability of the ICPARD branches, provincial associations and municipalities.</p> <p><b>A new revision was proposed by the ICPARD National Board of Director and a draft of the new Subsidiaries Regulation was in the process of being discussed for the last quarter of 2015; Due to CIC 2015 organization works, discussion and approval was moved for 2016 first quarter.</b></p> | <p>2013<br/>Finished</p> <p>Ongoing</p> | <p>Board of Directors<br/>National</p> <p>Disciplinary Court</p> <p>Technical direction</p> | <p>Meetings</p> <p>The staff members</p> <p>Website, cost of printed material RD \$ 30,000, sent to 17 subsidiaries</p> |
| <b>Review the ICPARD compliance report</b> |               |   |   |   |   |



INSTITUTO DE CONTADORES  
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**Action Plan developed by:  
Board of Directors 2020-2022**

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| 40. | June 2013  | To continue with the review of the already revised SMO 06 and the ICPARD SMO 06 action plan, as well as the relevant changes, as necessary. Inform the compliance staff of the IFAC, once the update has been completed, so that compliance personnel publish this update. | Ongoing     | Board of Directors<br>Technical director | Meetings and Seminars |



**Action plan Subject:** SMO 7 - International Financial Reporting Standards and other pronouncements issued by the IASB

**Action plan Objective:** Establishment and application of IFRS, IFRS SMEs in the DR

**Responsibility:**

In accordance with Law 633 and its regulations of 2032, by its Principles and Standards Committee, ICPARD has the capacity to issue resolutions and regulations that, in relation to accounting practice, should govern the profession. Bearing in mind that ICPARD is the only member authorized by law, which is attached to the international bodies in charge of regulating the profession in the world, these transmissions and resolutions of the standards are communicated and must be adopted by ICPARD membership in its entirety. , in a mandatory way.

On the other hand, the regulation of the banking sector is under the responsibility of the Banking Superintendence, a government entity, which is governed by law 316 that regulates this economic sector of the country. In view of this factor, ICPARD has no interference in the regulations issued by this body. Today, several of the country's banking agencies are listed in the stock market. Therefore, the Superintendency requires that the financial statements said to be prepared under full IFRS, which has been applied in this sector, as a result of these regulations.

However, ICPARD has limitations in the mandatory application of these resolutions and transmissions through DR, as many of its member associations, or CPAs, from medium to small companies, are not yet familiar with its application procedure.

This resolution is not applicable to regulated entities, which maintain required accounting records of their regulatory framework, nor for companies that apply financial reporting frameworks are US GAAP, they also agree with the criteria for the small and medium company IFRS application,

- They have no obligation of public accountability
- Financial Statements published for general information purposes for external users
- Its debt or equity instruments are not traded in a public market, or are in the process of issuing these instruments, which are traded in a public market.
- Do not keep assets under a trust regime by a large group of third parties, as one of its main lines of business

For those companies that, at the date of issuance of this resolution, have not completed the adoption process of the IFRS, the ICPARD will grant an individualized extension, prior written communication addressed to the Technical Director, including the implementation plan, with an expiration date before of June 30, 2014.

**Although the ICPARD does not have loyal statistics of the population companies organized in RD, which is estimated approximately 5,000, written request for the extension of the adoption of IFRS were more than two hundred (200) for the year 2015 year.**



**Scope:**

On the basis of SMO 07, ICPARD's main objective is the implementation of IFRS, full IFRS and IFRS SMEs throughout the national territory, as of 2014, for which the resolutions have been issued obliges its members to put practice and apply them after the aforementioned period.

In this order, several international companies based in the country have put them into practice for two important reasons:

- 1) At the request of its clients, some of which are public companies listed in the stock market.
  
- 2) The headquarters of its clients use standards in their country of origin. As a result of these two elements, these CPA firms have implemented the IFRS, IFRS complete and the IFRS PYMES, as appropriate to each case.

The Standards and Principles Committee is made up of members who are also representatives of national and international CPA firms in the country. Since these members of international companies are the first to receive training on standards through their home office, these members contribute through this committee with their inputs to ICPARD in the guidance, application and training of members. , with the objective of improving the procedures and resolutions to be issued by ICPARD in the application of international financial regulations in the DR.

**Implementation strategies:**

ICPARD is working on several approaches to the application of IFRS, full IFRS and IFRS SMEs, such as:

- a) IAA / AIC and ICPARD Board of Administration recently signed an agreement to implement the virtual certification program in which our accountants will be able to obtain the Certification of Inter-American Certificates of Accountant in the IFRS for SMEs, thus improving the quality professional of our members and of the entire landscape counter DR.
- b) International CPA firms that work with standards: collaboration with the representation of the facilitators of international companies in teaching projects aimed at training new CPA standard facilitators, who in turn will become transmitters and teachers with the new facilitators, to distribute the actions throughout the country in the international standards of ISA, IFRS, complete IFRS and SMEs.
- c) With the collaboration of the Standards and Principles Committee: This committee works in coordination with the ICPARD Center for studies, the organization of degree courses, seminars and workshops in the different modalities of international standards, the members therein facilitate all the country to be able to access the theory and practice transmitted by the members that apply them in the DR companies.
- d) The signing of agreements with the university, business institutions, professionals and other related associations throughout the country. The ICPARD has been executing program of verification of the morning agreement with associations and professional and business entities, looking forward to the application and raising awareness about the use and insertion in the curriculum of education in universities. Through this process of education in its use to the DR population.



The issuance of Resolutions: Law 633 authorizes ICPARD to put into practice accounting norms or principles that govern the public accounting career in the DR. The most recent resolution published on our website, on December 13, 2012, extends the application date in order to favor that all companies are in compliance with IFRS before January 01, 2014; However, on March 20, 2014, ICPARD's National Board of Directors issued Resolution 20-03-2014, which confirms the adoption of IFRS as a financial reporting framework applicable to all types of commercial organizations with the first quarter on January 1 of 2013. This resolution is not applicable to regulated entities, which maintain required accounting records neither of their regulatory framework, nor for companies that apply financial reporting frameworks are US GAAP. US,

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For those companies that, at the date of issuance of this resolution, have not completed the adoption process of the IFRS, the ICPARD will grant an individualized extension, prior written communication addressed to the Technical Director, including the implementation plan, with an expiration date before of June 30, 2014. As of December 15, more than two hundred (200) local companies in the Dominican Republic have requested this extension.

- a) a) ICPARD also through its Center for Higher Studies (CESICPARD) has been increasing the levels of capacity building through CPA, through several undergraduate courses in international standards. He currently teaches undergraduate courses in the NIA, IFRS, full IFRS and IFRS PYMES.



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| <b>The establishment of agreements with companies and businesses, professionals and university associations:</b> |               |   |  |   |   |
| 41.  | December 2012 | <p>ICPARD is signing agreements with professional companies and national associations to create commitments in the application of IFRS and IFRS SMEs, in order for these companies to implement them during this year 2013.</p> <p>We present hereinafter the institutions and the status of these agreements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dominican Association of Engineers, Architects and Surveyors (CODIA, by acronyms in Spanish)</li> <li>- Dominican Association of Lawyers of the Dominican Republic (CADR, by acronyms in Spanish) signed.</li> <li>- Dominican Association of Notary Public in DR</li> <li>Association of Public Accountant Companies</li> <li>Association of Economists of DR, CODECO</li> <li>universities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- University of the Caribbean, UNICARIBE</li> <li>Inter-American University, UNICA</li> <li>APEC University, UNAPEC</li> <li>Others in the process of</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>In process</p> <p>Finished May 2013</p> <p>Finished in April 2013</p> <p>Finished in April 2013</p> <p>Completed March 2013</p> <p>Finished in April 2013</p> <p>Finished May 2013</p> <p>Completed November 2013</p> | <p>Board of Directors</p> <p>President of the Association of Guilds and Guides</p> <p>Technical direction</p> | <p>Meetings</p> <p>The staff members</p> <p>undergraduate courses, workshops and conferences</p> <p>Publications on the Website</p> |



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|  |               | <p>University UAPA</p> <p>business:<br/>- Herrera Business Association, AIEH</p> <p>- National Confederation of Small and Medium Enterprises (Codopyme) Signed.</p> <p>In process:<br/>- National Association of Young Entrepreneurs, ANJE</p> <p>- - Dominican Medical Association, and several others</p> | <p>Completed<br/>November<br/>2020</p> <p>Finished<br/>April 2013</p> <p>Finished<br/>April 2013</p> <p>In process</p> |  |   |
| <b>Resolutions</b>                                 |               |   |  |  |   |
| 42.  | November 2012 | <p>ICPARD has been issuing resolutions for the application of IFRS, full IFRS, and the IFRS PYMES. The National Board of Administration approved Resolution 001 of December 13, 2012, on the adoption of IFRS and the SME IFRS by companies during 2013, which will be mandatory as of January 2014.</p>    | Ongoing  | <p>Standards and Principles<br/>Committee<br/>Board of Directors<br/>Technical direction</p> | <p>Meetings</p> <p>Emissions and publications of educational material</p> <p>Resolutions published on the Website</p> |
| <b>Supervision of changes in the IASB and IFRS</b> |               |   |  |  |   |



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| 43.  | November 2012 | ICPARD provides careful monitoring of changes in the IASB and IFRS.  | Ongoing     | Principles and Standards Committee,<br>Board of Directors and<br>Technical direction | Topics, publications, promotion of teaching materials,<br><br>Meetings, recurring seminars on these topics |
| <b>Disclosure Events</b>                   |               |  |             |  |  |
|  | July 2017     | We held a North Regional Seminar, where 100 member counters participated, training in the changes that have occurred in IFRS.  | Finished    | Board of Directors of the North Regional   | Meetings with Technical Management   |
|  | October 20 17 | We held a South Regional Seminar, where 240 member counters participated, training in the changes that have occurred in IFRS.  | Finished    | Board of Directors of the South Regional   | Meetings with Technical Management   |
|  | October 20 17 | We held an Eastern Regional Seminar, where 200 member counters participated, training in the changes that have occurred in IFRS.   | Finished    | Board of Directors of the Eastern Regional   | Meetings with Technical Management   |
| <b>Review the ICPARD compliance report</b> |               |  |             |  |  |
| 44.  | June 2013     | To continue with the revision of the revised SMO 07 and the SMO ICPARD 07 Action Plan, as well as the relevant changes, as necessary. Once the update is done, inform the compliance staff of the IFAC to publish. | Ongoing     | Board of Directors<br>Technical direction  | Meetings and Seminars  |