

Lessons from IFRS 17 projects in progress

Aptitude have live IFRS 17 projects taking place over three continents – here are our top lessons learnt so far:

General challenges

The level of complexity is high – in terms of systems, architecture, data capture and delivery

Resources that are suitably qualified are not abundant.

Applying a common data model for a 'group' and what that might look like

Specific challenges

Bringing transaction data to the same level of granularity required by IFRS 17 – eg allocating entity level expenses down to policies

Differences of 'group' view vs. single 'entity' view of CSM

Defining accounting policies and requirements when there are multi-currency transactions within a CSM group, (can a CSM balance for a single group exist in multiple currencies)

Practical lessons learnt

The pace of progression is much quicker when there's close collaboration between the multiple client teams and delivery teams



It's much more effective when collaboration includes demonstrations of real scenarios through the system



Time needs to be dedicated to interpreting the standard and articulating requirements and policies that may be unique to different companies (eg many actuarial systems are built on very specific industry models)

More time in planning and preparation



Project highlights



The **flexibility** of the Aptitude IFRS 17 Solution is proving to be essential in the projects – for example, it provides the flexibility to be able to configure which model movements post to CSM versus P&L and the order of model movements



The **maturity** of the Aptitude Solution (Aptitude Accounting Hub) is proving to be a key customer highlight



The ability of Aptitude Software to process **large volumes** in performant schedules is highlighted as a key benefit – highlighting the value of the Aptitude Solution over a more CSM/PAA only approach