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# Impairment Assessment and Building Impairment Test Models



# Agenda



Purpose and background

Impairment overview

Building Impairment models

Reasonableness tests

# Purpose



To highlight the importance of impairment reviews

To provide insight into building impairment models

To highlight the level of judgment required

# Background



- The need for impairment testing has increased given the volatility of economies within the Caribbean
- This volatility impacts key underlying variables such as:
  - The risk free rate; and
  - The cost of debt.
- Resulting in additional focus on impairment testing.



# Background



## IMF Article IV consultation

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“crisis management plans  
should include **detailed  
plans to deal with a crisis  
in the non-bank  
sector.....**”

“.....The  
mandate and tools of the  
Financial Oversight  
Management Committee  
(FOMC) should be  
clarified and  
improved..”  
“Maintaining Financial  
Stability Will need Close  
Monitoring, Stronger  
Supervision”.

Source: International Monetary Fund, February, 2014  
Article iv Consultation for Barbados

# Impairment overview



## Impairment overview

- An impairment loss is the amount by which the carrying amount of an asset or cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount.
- The carrying amount is the amount at which an asset is recognised in the Balance Sheet/Statement Of Financial Position after deducting accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.





# Impairment overview

- The fair value less costs of disposal is not easily determined as comparators are primarily North American entities.
- As a result, the recoverable amount of the asset or CGU will be based on its value in use.



# Impairment as applied to financial instruments



## ■ Accounting standards relevant to impairment

Relevant Standard	Application of Standard
IFRS 9 – Financial Instruments	Provides guidance on impairment assessments for financial instruments
IAS 36 – Impairment of Assets	Provides guidance on impairment of most other assets
IAS 39 – Recognition and Measurement	Provides guidance on impairment assessments for financial instruments

# Impairment as applied to financial instruments



## Requirements under the Standard

*IAS 39:58 “An entity shall assess at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired.”*

 Impairment and uncollectibility of financial assets measured at amortised cost



- The carrying amount of the asset shall be reduced either directly or through use of an allowance account. The amount of the loss shall be recognised in profit or loss.

 Impairment and uncollectibility of available for sale financial assets

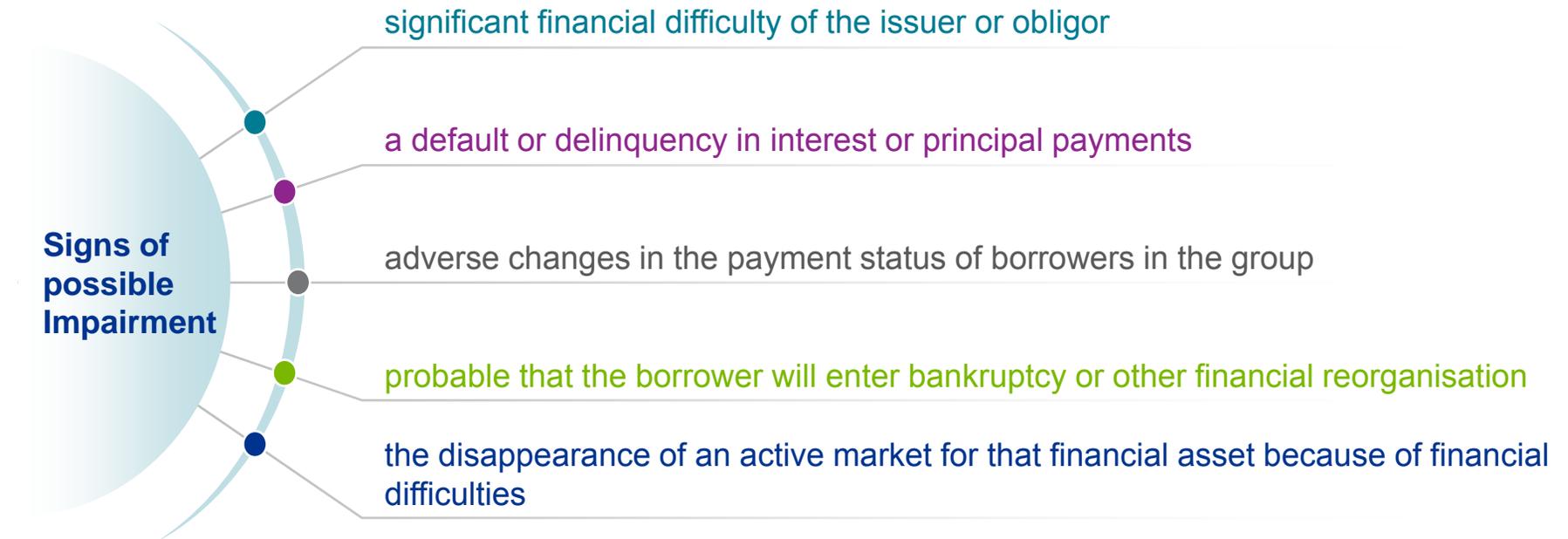


- The cumulative loss recognised in other comprehensive income shall be reclassified and the financial asset is derecognised

# Impairment as applied to financial instruments



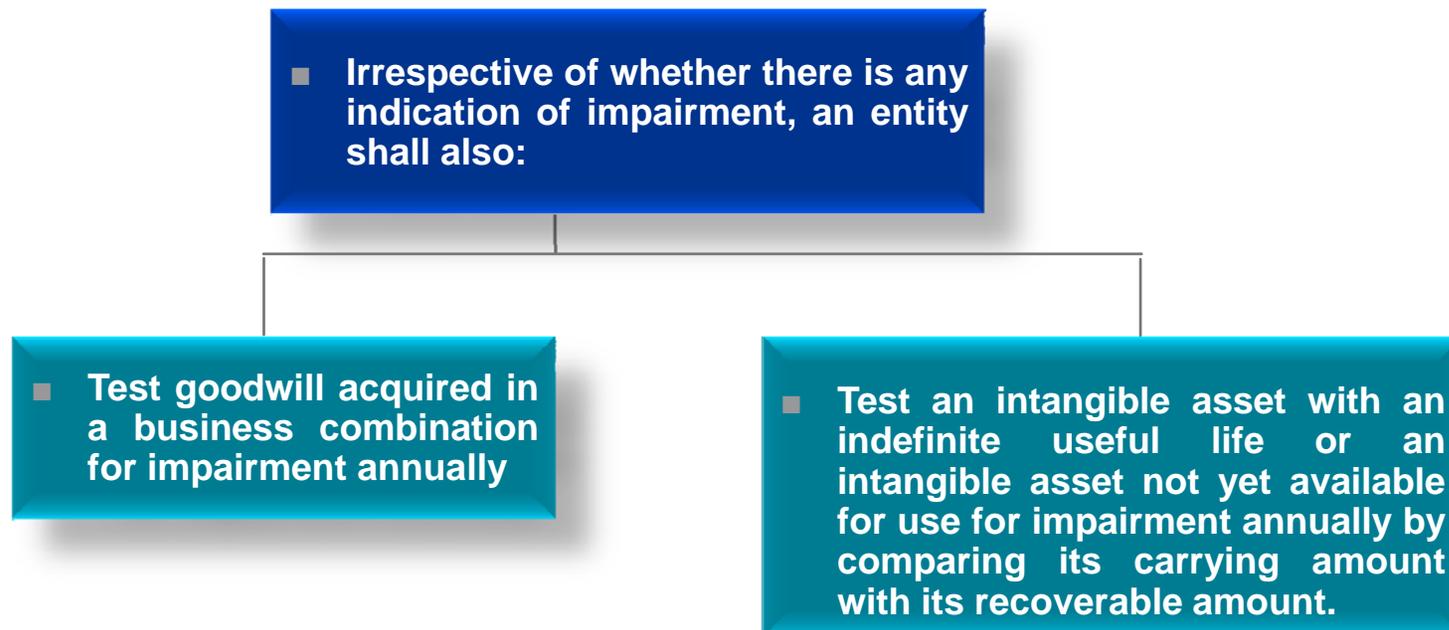
Objective evidence of possible impairment of financial assets:



# Impairment assessment other assets



- An entity shall assess at the end of each reporting period whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired.
- If any such indication exists, the entity shall estimate the recoverable amount of the asset.



# Reducing subjectivity in impairment assessment



There is the perception that impairment is a reflection on the quality of management decisions

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IFRS provides guidance on what to do in different scenarios

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Historical performance and historical data are helpful in determining future performance

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Prudence concept still applicable

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Consider tax implications

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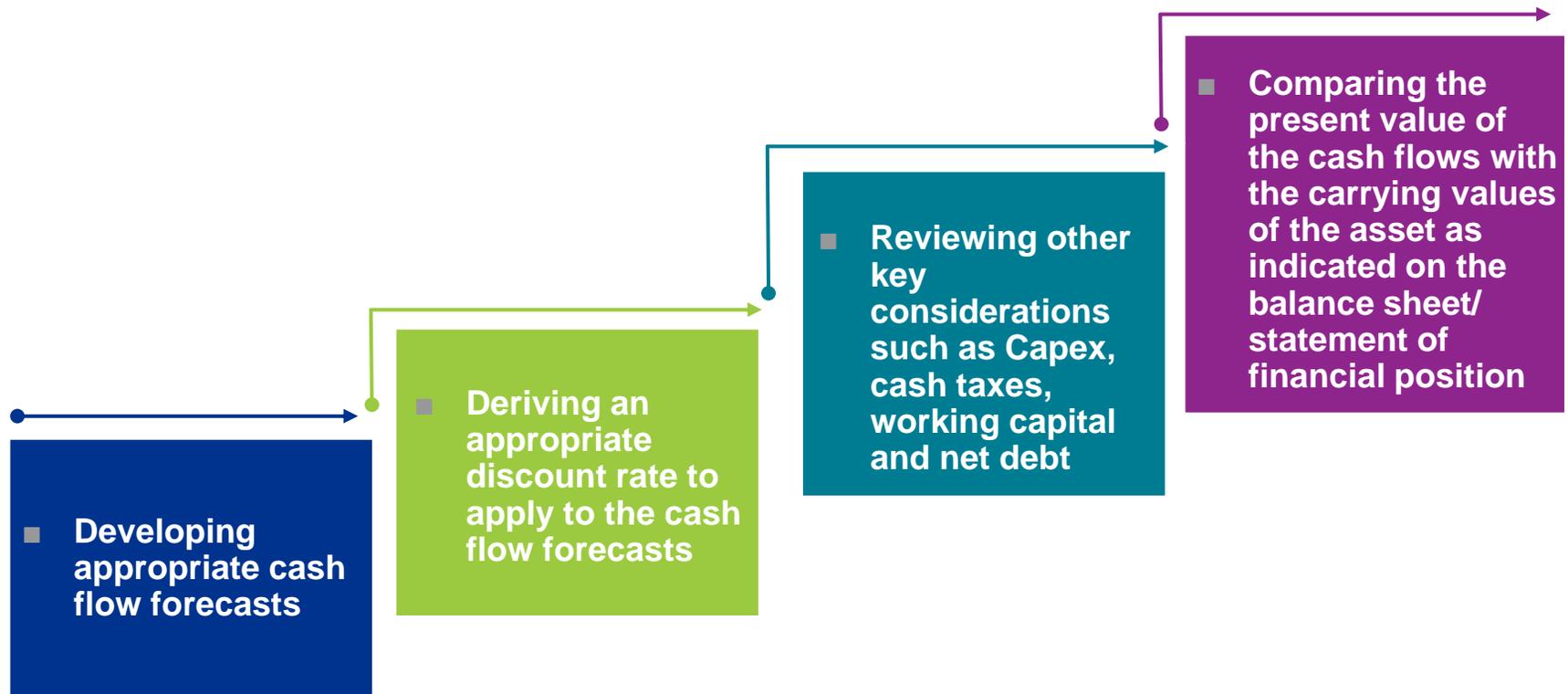
Consider frequency of assessments

# **Building impairment test models**



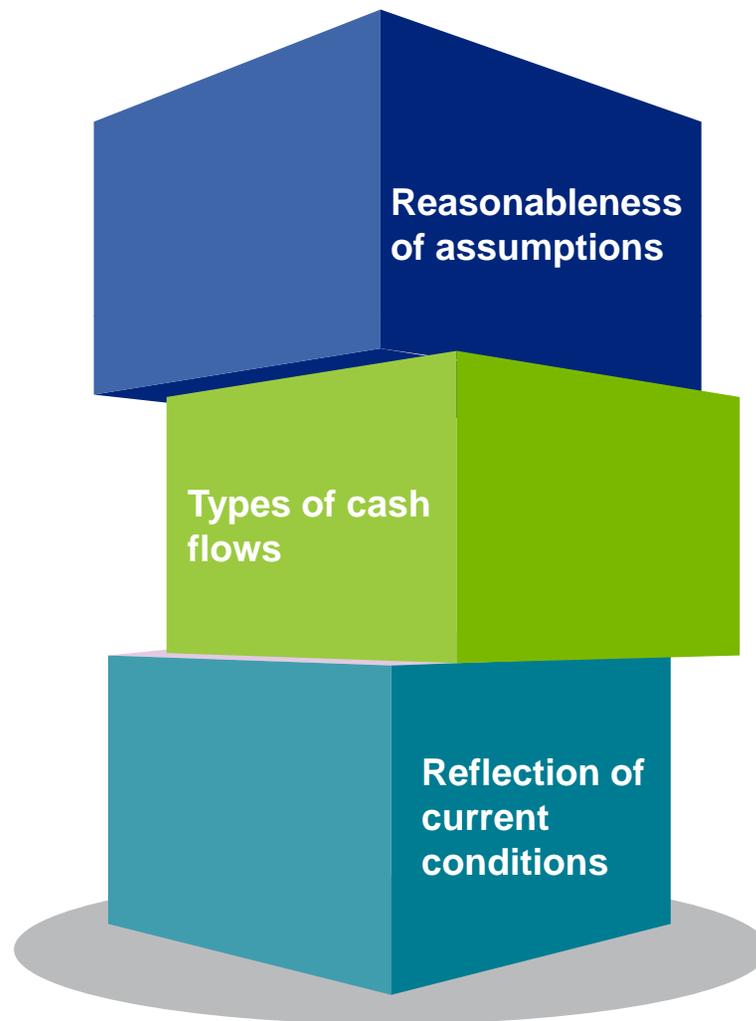
# Building impairment test models

- Building an impairment test model involves a number of steps:





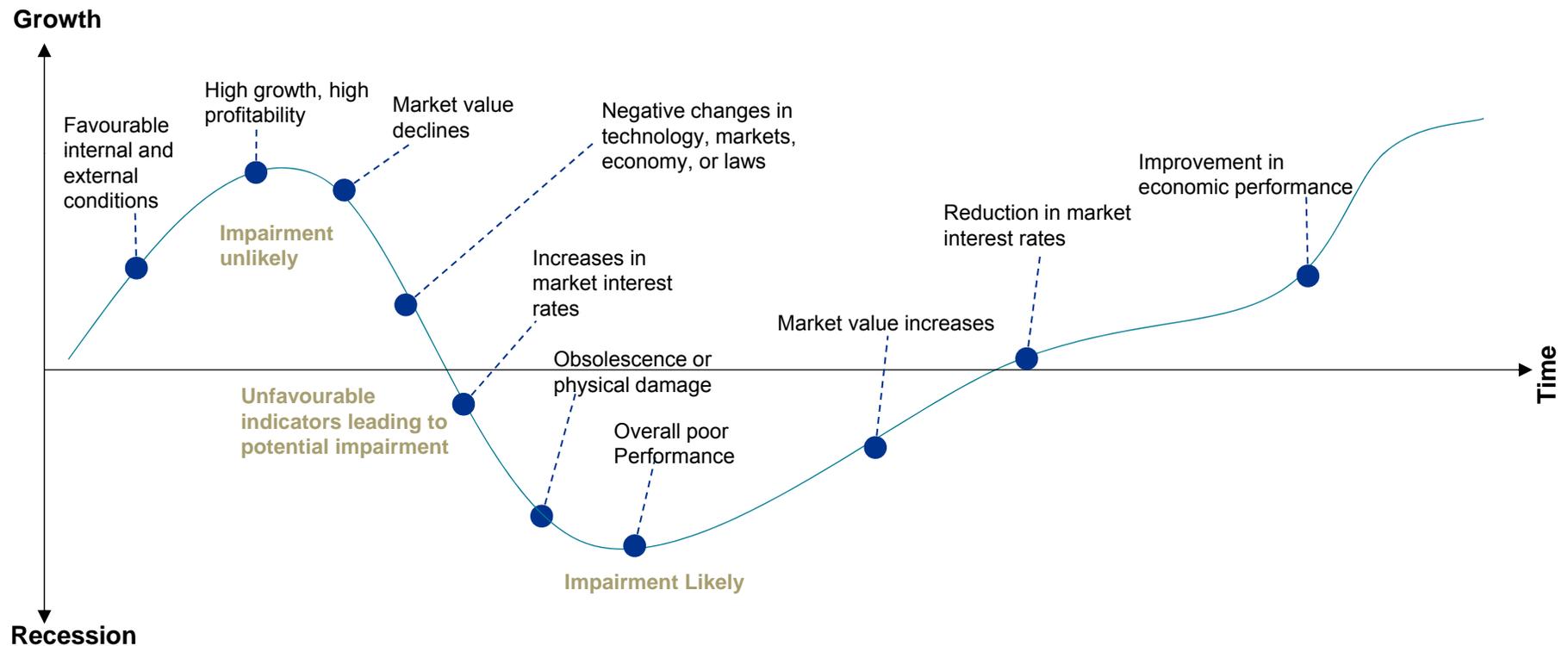
# Cash flow forecasts – considerations



# Other considerations – company life cycle



When reviewing an investment in a subsidiary, the stage in it's life cycle may be an indication of Impairment





## Discount rate

- Key assumptions are then required to determine the applicable discount rate.

Key Assumption	Input	Source Information
Revenue Growth		
Inflation		
Gross profit margin		
EBITDA Margin		
Risk-free rate		
Equity risk premium		
Industry risk premium		
Size premium		
Company specific risk		
Pre-tax cost of debt		
Tax rate		
Debt to capital %		
Terminal growth rate		

# Discount rate



- The discount rate that must be disclosed is a pre-tax discount rate
  - An impairment analysis is usually performed on a post-tax basis and solved for the pre-tax rate that results in the same value estimate.
  - A pre-tax rate cannot be calculated by grossing up the post-tax rate.



# Discount rate



## Using post-tax cash flows and a post-tax WACC

### Inputs

Post tax WACC (WACC)	10%
Terminal growth rate (g)	2%
Marginal tax rate (t)	26%

#### Step 3

Implied pre-tax WACC is compared to the pre-tax WACC determined by a simple gross up of the post tax WACC.

Implied pre-tax WACC using simple gross up of post-tax WACC ( $WACC/(1-t)$ ) **13.5%**

	1	2	3	4	5	Terminal Year
Pre-Tax Cash flows	100	120	140	150	153	156.1
Growth		20.0%	16.7%	7.1%	2.0%	2.0%
Tax	(26.0)	(31.2)	(36.4)	(39.0)	(39.8)	(40.6)
Tax rate	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%
<b>Post tax free cash flows</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>88.8</b>	<b>103.6</b>	<b>111.0</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>115.5</b>
Discount rate (mid year)	0.953	0.867	0.788	0.716	0.651	
Discounted cash flow	70.6	77.0	81.6	79.5	73.7	
Terminal cash flow	115.5					
Capitalisation rate (WACC-g)	8%					
Terminal value	1443.6					
Present value of terminal value	940.1					
Sum of discrete cash flows	382.4					
<b>Value in Use</b>	<b>1,322.5</b>					

#### Step 1

Value in Use determined using post-tax cash flows and post-tax WACC.

## Using pre-tax cash flows and a pre-tax WACC

Implied pre-tax WACC **12.8%**

	1	2	3	4	5	Terminal Year
Pre-Tax Cash flows	100	120	140	150	153	156.1
Growth		20.0%	16.7%	7.1%	2.0%	2.0%
Discount rate (mid year)	0.941	0.834	0.740	0.655	0.581	
Discounted cash flow	94.1	100.1	103.5	98.3	88.9	
Terminal cash flow	156.1					
Capitalisation rate (WACC-g)	10.8%					
Terminal value	1441.5					
Present value of terminal value	837.5					
Sum of discrete cash flows	485.0					
<b>Value in Use</b>	<b>1,322.5</b>					

#### Step 2

Value in Use determined using pre-tax cash flows and a pre-tax WACC. Goal seek is used to determine the pre-tax WACC which gives an identical value to the post-tax approach.



## Other key considerations

### Capex

- Forecast expenditure required on capital assets

### Cash taxes

- Actual taxes expected to be paid
- Based on calculation of the effective tax rate

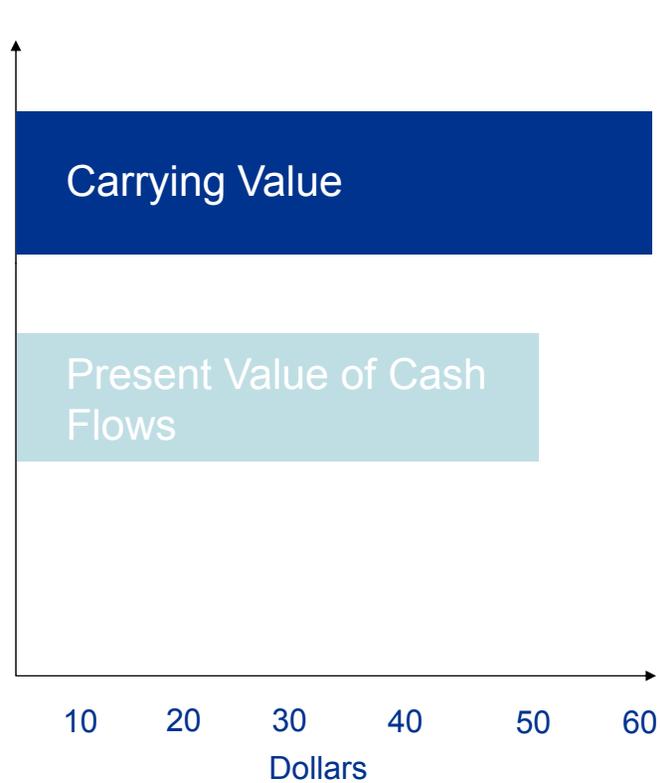
### Working Capital

- Working capital included in carrying amount of the CGU, and investments in working capital required from forecast growth should be reflected in cash flows
- Working capital deficits and surpluses should be considered in valuation

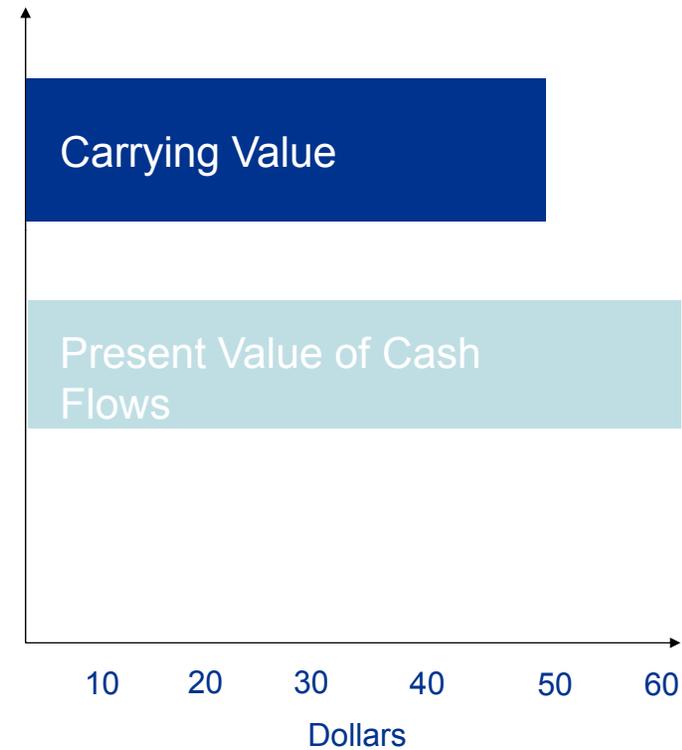
### Net Debt

- A metric that shows a company's overall debt situation by netting the value of a company's liabilities and debts with its cash and other similar liquid assets

# Comparing present value and carrying value



Impairment



No Impairment

**Reasonableness test**



# Reasonableness test

- Sensitivity analysis of key assumptions
- Comparisons
  - Market capitalisation
  - Earnings multiples
  - Other sources
- Other considerations
  - Return on Assets
  - Return on Equity
  - Functional obsolescence
  - Economic obsolescence





# Reasonableness test

## Return (historic) on equity assessment

Expressed in USD\$'000

	2013	2014
Equity	77,062	87,807
Earnings	5,577	3,609
<b>Return on equity</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>KPMG Cost of equity</b>	28.6%	28.6%
Differential	-21.3%	-24.5%
<b>Client Cost of equity</b>	24%	24%
Differential	-16.9%	-20.1%

## Return (historic) on total assets assessment

Expressed in USD\$'000

	2013	2014
Net Book Value (total assets)	207,229	213,979
Earnings	5,577	3,609
<b>Return on Total Assets</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
<b>KPMG Cost of capital</b>	15.7%	15.7%
Differential	-13.1%	-14.1%
<b>Client Cost of capital</b>	11%	11%
Differential	-8.3%	-9.3%

# Thought leadership

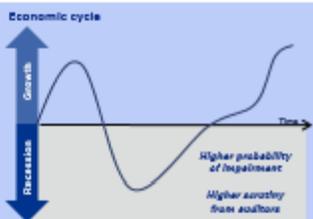


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## Impairment test modelling

Uncertain macroeconomic environment keeps impairment tests in focus

The volatile economy and capital markets as well as the decreasing interest rate levels create a relatively uncertain market environment for the companies in the short and medium term. The adequate incorporation of the current risks and uncertainties into the budget figures remains a challenge for corporate decision makers. Accordingly, a key recurring exercise of companies will be the annual impairment testing.



### What are the client issues?

- Top management plans to carry out an annual impairment test to examine if there were any triggering events (change in cost of capital, country risk, cross rates, market environment, sales and margin prospects) that could alter the valuation of their investments/CGUs and require creation/reversal of provisions
- Top management requires assistance to check if in-house impairment testing models are still compliant with the recent accounting rules
- Top management faces tighter scrutiny from auditors and supervisory bodies (eg. RAB) for example to revisit if the price paid for an earlier acquisition is still justified

### How can KPMG help?

- KPMG has considerable experience in impairment test modeling. We understand the requirements and issues both from a commercial as well as from an auditor's perspective
- Our team has deep knowledge of the current key impairment testing issues and is well placed to determine how they would affect your business
- Our modeling offerings include:
  - Building proprietary and custom made value-in-use and fair value-less-than-cost models
  - Calculation of carrying amount
  - Providing guidance on cost of capital and defining appropriate rate for CGUs
  - Reviewing in-house impairment tests

### Why KPMG?

- Our team has extensive experience in performing impairment testing projects and conducting reviews of in-house impairment test
- We are better positioned to anticipate areas that are likely to be challenged by your auditors
- Our deep sector understanding makes us an ideal partner for your impairment test modeling or review

### KPMG's impairment testing credentials



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### Case study

A Swiss industrial manufacturer of grinding technologies needed assistance with managing their impairment test procedures.

### KPMG's approach

We helped to develop an integrated financial model for the impairment testing process of the client with the following features:

- Determined recoverable and carrying amount for the four cash generating units (CGUs)
- Set up transparent protocol to determine WACC for each of the CGUs' region (Switzerland, Germany, Austria and Sweden)
- Conducted sensitivity analysis on cost of capital and terminal growth rate
- Performed reasonability check based on forward-looking trading multiples of peer companies

### Client's benefit

KPMG set up a consistent impairment testing approach across all CGUs, which is compliant with IAS 36. We have also assisted in developing a repeatable process for impairment testing, which was also approved by the client's auditor.

### Our service – an overview

#### Key phases of the impairment testing process

- Population of impairment test with latest business plan
- Determine cost of capital and growth rate based on market participant concept
- Determine recoverable amount (i.e. choose the highest from fair value-less-than-cost and value in use) and the carrying amount
- Calculation of any valuation headroom or impairment
- Reconciliation between pre- and post-tax calculation
- Preparation of sensitivity calculations
- Reasonability checks based on trading multiples and current market capitalization of the company
- Drafting notes to the financial statements
- Preparation of communication towards shareholders/capital markets



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