Course level I

Accounting for banking supervisors

**Duration**
16 – 20 March 2020 (5 days)

**Deadline for application**
24 January 2020

**Venue**
Frankfurt

**Objective**
Accounting issues are not usually in the focus of banking supervisors, who – in general – do not have an educational background as accountants. Nevertheless, the financial crisis exposed a particular weakness in banking supervision in this area, which is a requirement of Pillar 3 under the Basel II regime. This course particularly covers the general and basic aspects of accounting and their implications for banking supervisors. Participants will gain specific insights into the most important international accounting standards (IAS and IFRS). Banking supervisors also need to understand the substance and, most importantly, the hidden information of annual reports prepared by commercial banks and enterprises. International accounting standards are constantly evolving to align the accounting regulations with the requirements of Basel II and III. How this alignment is achieved in practice is another topic covered by this course.

**Content**
- Meaning of accounting, basic techniques, and developments in national and international accounting standards
- Typical structure and substance of financial statements prepared by banks and non-banks (IAS 1)
- The main standards within IAS/IFRS, such as tangible and intangible assets (IAS 16, IAS 38 and IAS 40)
- Accounting for subsidiaries (IAS 24, IAS 28 and IAS 31)
- Discontinued operations (IFRS 5)
- Consolidated and separate financial statements (IAS 27)
- Impairment of assets (IAS 36)
- Fair value measurement (IFRS 13)
- Financial instruments according to IAS 32
- Classification of financial instruments and regulation of banking supervision
- Impairment under IFRS 9 and its implications for banking supervision
- Supervisory expectations regarding the implementation of IFRS 9

**Target group**
Junior to mid-level bank supervisors from central banks and supervisory authorities.