



Standing Technical Committee

Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC)

Founded on March 31, 2001 by the GCPAS Nominating Committee in Stuttgart, Germany

Terms of Reference

Gemäß § 2 Abs. 3 (e) Satz 1 der Satzung der GCPAS in der Fassung vom 31. März 2001 legt das CPA-Panel im Einvernehmen mit dem Business Valuation Practice Committee die folgenden Terms of Reference fest.

Den Terms of Reference wurde – dem Erfordernis des § 2 Abs. 3 (e) Satz 2 der Satzung der GCPAS entsprechend – am 14. Juli 2001 vom Council zugestimmt. Sie sind mit dieser Zustimmung in Kraft getreten.

Terms of Reference – Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC)

The **mission** of the Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC), on behalf of the GCPAS Council, is:

- To support other professional accounting organizations, such as the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer in Deutschland e.V. (IDW), the Wirtschaftsprüferkammer (WPK) and other organizations worldwide in the global development and promotion of the business valuation aspect of the profession.

The **vision** of the Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC), on behalf of the GCPAS Council, is:

- To support the profession in recognizing that the scope of business valuation has expanded to the extent that it has become an essential component especially of mergers and acquisitions processes.

The **general objectives** of the Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC), on behalf of the GCPAS Council, are:

- To support the achievement of increased recognition of the professional capabilities of management accountants.
- To provide a source of comment and suggestions from a business valuation point of view on issues that fall within the terms of reference of other committees of GCPAS.

- To encourage business valuation research, by GCPAS members and others, into matters of importance and assists in disseminating the results nationally and internationally.
- To select and disseminate information on best practices in business valuation.
- To support the identification of the future directions of business valuation practice and communicate the implications of this to the profession at large.
- To influence and assist GCPAS members and other professional organizations in developing and promoting the business valuation related aspects of the profession.

The aforementioned objectives of the Business Valuation Practice Committee should be especially translated into action by:

- Providing comments on practice statements, studies and other publications issued by the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) and on publications of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) with regard to business valuation matters.
- Performing research with regard to business valuation matters and their view worldwide and, especially, in Germany and publishing the results in "The GCPAS Newsletter" and other technical accounting and auditing journals and transmitting the results to the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer in Deutschland e.V (IDW), the Wirtschaftsprüferkammer (WPK) and to Universities and Business Schools in order to share the achieved knowledge with the aforementioned professional organizations and educational institutions.
- By making use of the practice experience of the members of the GPPC in the procedure of business valuation: issuing (noncommittal) guidance and practice aids regarding business valuation matters.
- Promoting debate with practitioners, users, regulators, educational institutions and professional accounting organizations throughout the world and, especially, in Germany, to identify the needs of users and the accounting community for new guidance with respect to business valuation.

As long term aim, the BVPC intends to provide the accounting and auditing community with a commentary-textbook on standards and guidance, studies and other publications regarding business valuation matters.

With regard to BVPC due process in preparing comments and research to be published the following rules are valid:

Each member of the BVPC shall have one vote. The affirmative vote of at least three-quarters of the members, represented at a meeting, shall be required to approve a proposed comment or technical article to be published and/or to be transmitted to the related professional organizations. For any comment or technical article to be officially transmitted or published under the name of the GCPAS, the approval of the CPA-Panel is required.

Approval of the *BVPC Terms of Reference* by

- GCPAS CPA-Panel
- GCPAS Standing Technical Committee BVPC (Chairman)
- GCPAS Council (ultimate approval)

The approval includes the permission and the commitment to publish the *BVPC Terms of Reference* on the Internet-Homepage of the GCPAS.

CPA-Panel:

Steve Staresinic CPA
Director General des CPA-Panel
Mitglied des Executive Committee

Datum

Dipl.-Oec. Peter Leibfried MBA CPA
President des Executive Committee

Datum

Dipl.-Kfm. Jörg Müller WP StB CPA
Deputy President des Executive Committee

Datum

Dipl.-Oec. Klaus Wendlandt CPA

Datum

Dipl.-Kfm. Ralph Brinkmann
Mitglied des Executive Committee

Datum

Business Valuation Practice Committee (BVPC)

Dipl.-Oec. Dietmar Schneider, BVPC-Chairman

Datum

Council

Der Council stimmt den Terms of Reference des Standing Technical Committee der GCPAS in der vorliegenden Form uneingeschränkt zu.

Dipl.-Oec. Klaus Wendlandt CPA

Datum

Steve Staresinic CPA

Datum

Dipl.-Kfm. Ulrich Sommer CPA

Datum

Dipl.-Kfm. Jörg Müller WP StB CPA

Datum

Dipl.-Oec. Peter Leibfried MBA CPA

Datum

Dipl.-Betriebswirt (FH) Rainer Köhler

Datum

Dipl.-Kfm. Ralph Brinkmann

Datum