2. Basis of preparation

Amended Note

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, 'Interim financial reporting'. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2013 which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Boards (IASB).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of available-for-sale investment securities, investment securities at fair value through profit or loss, derivative contracts and investment property.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies.

There have been no changes in accounting policies since the most recent audited accounts as at September 30, 2013 except for the adoption of new and amended standards as described below.