

Register for ISS Webinar on Its New Proxy Voting Updates

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ISS has asked that we encourage interested parties to register for its [free webinar](#) to discuss its new proxy voting guidelines, which we recently summarized in a [client publication](#). The session focused on U.S. policies will take place on Wednesday, December 7, at 11:00 a.m. EST and will feature Martha Carter, Head of Governance Research; Carol Bowie, Head of U.S. Compensation Research; and Pat McGurn, Special Counsel.

Having been on panels with Carol and Pat, both frequent speakers about ISS, it is always helpful to hear them discuss ISS' recent experiences and the background and application of ISS guidelines. They may explain and further elaborate on some of the seeming complexities of the new pay for performance criteria that will be used to evaluate say-on-pay in 2012, and may provide indications of their upcoming guidance to be issued on the topic, likely in mid-December. They may also give a sense of the latest status of proxy access proposals. While many are critical of it, no one disputes the reality of ISS' influence on proxy voting, so this is a welcome opportunity for education as a key step toward being prepared.

A separate discussion of the European policies will take place a day earlier, and you can find registration for that session on the same site as noted above.

If you have any questions regarding the matters covered in this publication, please reach out to any of the lawyers listed below or your usual Davis Polk contact.

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