

# IFRS 9

## International Financial Reporting Standard 9

### KEY BENEFITS

A SINGLE PLATFORM THAT CAN BE USED TO INTEGRATE WHOLE OR PART OF AN END-TO-END IFRS 9 SOLUTION

A PLATFORM THAT EMBEDS NATURALLY REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS SUCH AS BCBS 239

SEAMLESS AGGREGATION OF MULTIPLE DATA SOURCES FROM RISK, FINANCE, ALM AND ECONOMICS

AUTOMATION OF THE CLASSIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ECL CALCULATIONS AT BOTH TRANSACTIONS AND PORTFOLIO LEVELS

SCENARIO TESTING

ONGOING MONITORING OF CHANGES

ABILITY TO DRILL DOWN ANY RESULT PRODUCED AT ANY TIME

**IFRS 9 addresses all key aspects** of the Standard, from classification and measurement of assets and liabilities to impairments. Clients have the option of using their own models or models developed by AxiomSL; all of them can be plugged onto AxiomSL's Data Integration platform to calculate Expected Credit Losses (ECL) at all required levels.

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has developed IFRS 9 to address the shortcomings of the incumbent IAS 39 standard to properly disclose mounting risks, as uncovered after the financial crisis. As part of IFRS 9, firms will need to make their business models explicit as well as their expectations of the future cash flows of their financial assets and liabilities. The number of assets that will be classified at amortized cost will be reduced, while more will be accounted for at fair value, thus increasing P&L volatility.

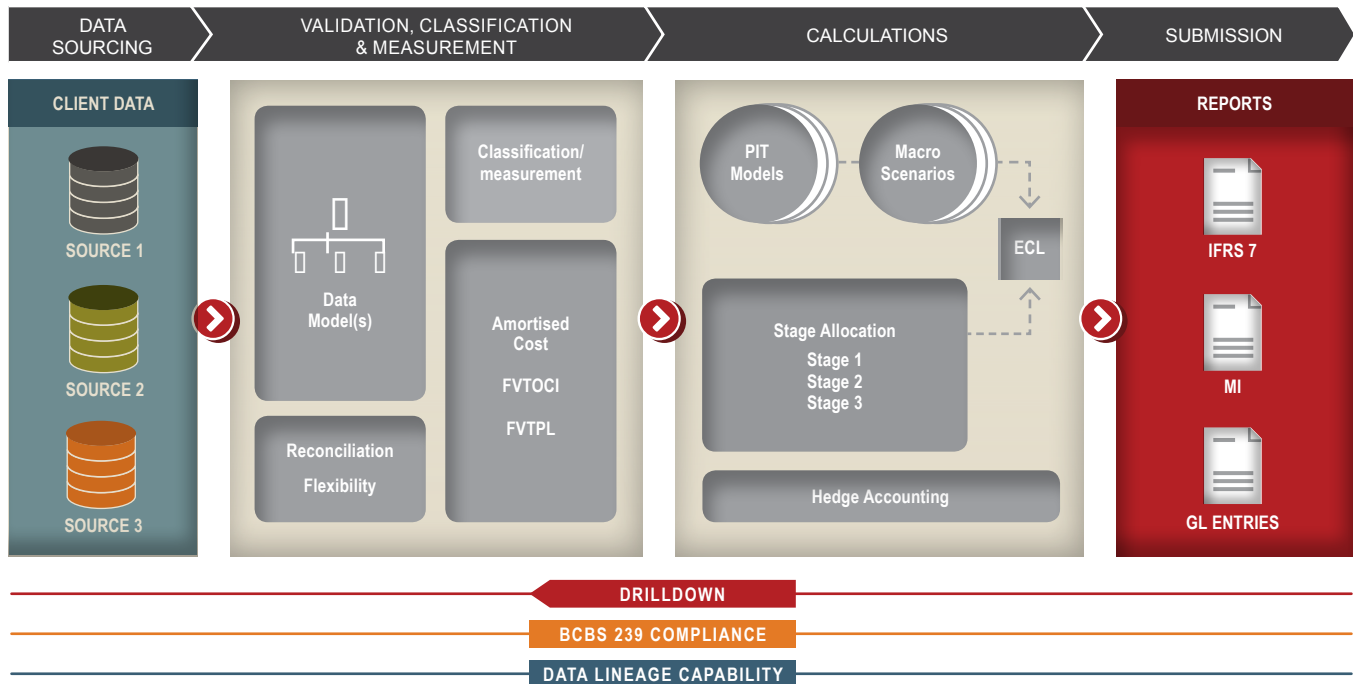
#### FOR IMPAIRMENT CALCULATIONS, CHALLENGES INCLUDE:

- The requirement to calculate the ECL over 12-months and/or lifetime
- The obligation to define what is the "significant increase in credit risk" that triggers the change of calculation.
- The ability to assess credit risk until the maturity of the transactions/portfolios
- The constraint to include forward-looking elements into multiple probability weighted-scenarios.

Accommodating differing demands of risk and finance and managing large volumes of risk and financial data, which must be refreshed at more regular intervals than ever before are the biggest challenges.

Banks face a major challenge to source and integrate the disparate data required for IFRS 9. Most of it will come from risk and finance—two functions that have historically operated in isolation from one another, applying different standards to the data they use. Also, banks' provisioning requirements are likely to be greater under IFRS 9 than under IAS 39, as the new standard includes multiple instances under which ECL must be assessed for lifetime instead of for one year. As a result, firms will try to mitigate and stabilize their provisioning requirements using levers such as the proportion between amortized assets (impaired but with low impact on P&L volatility) and assets in fair value through P&L (no impairment but high impact on P&L volatility), or by playing on the perimeter and segmentation of portfolios collectively impaired.

# Overview of the IFRS 9 Solution Process



## AXIOMSL'S SOLUTION

AxiomSL's platform effectively supports the resolution of all these challenges. Not only can it fetch and aggregate the necessary financial, risk and macro-economic data, but it does so without duplicating them thus avoiding ETL (Extract, Transform and Load) layers and intermediate databases that are painful to feed and maintain. And it does so while checking data quality and granting the user a control that facilitates collaboration between different functions, such as risk and finance, and supports sound data governance practices such as BCBS 239.

Once the bank's data has been aggregated, it is pushed through the business rules that determine assets classification and measurement and impairment.

For modeling, clients have multiple options: They can plug their own or third party models onto AxiomSL's platform that will feed and run them and extract the results; or they can rewrite their models under R within AxiomSL's platform; or they can use one or several of the models developed by AxiomSL. For instance AxiomSL's CSF Model (Calibrated Stochastic simulations of Fundamentals) offers state-of-the-art PIT ECL assessment for Corporates.

**AxiomSL's platform provides both the  
controlled environment required by accounting and  
the flexibility required by risk**

Once ECL calculations are completed, disclosures and reporting can be produced in accordance with the IFRS taxonomy, with internal management information (MI) reports, under XBRL, in the form of excel exports or in many other forms.

The unparalleled transparency offered by AxiomSL includes the ability to drill from each value of every report produced down to the source data; it also allows users to make manual adjustments if required, all of them being automatically recorded and reversible. The flexibility of the solution allows users to do scenario testing—to explore the impact of their choices on provision levels; in short, to really master their provisioning process.

The IFRS 9 solution is built on the same platform as all of the solutions AxiomSL provides for different regulatory calculations and reporting requirements. This 'one platform' approach allows clients to leverage the data they are using for other requirements, such as FINREP. It also reduces cost and complexity because banks do not need to maintain separate systems to comply with different requirements, and it speeds up implementation.

AxiomSL's platform offers the proven technology that directly links powerful analytics to source data without duplication or redundancy. This generates multiple benefits such as the ability to handle massive amounts of data, extreme reactivity (no need to call IT to produce the next report) and powerful analytics like top to bottom data mining, full transparency and guaranteed coherence through time. Banks that invest towards such data technology infrastructure will find themselves with a red carpet towards complying with IFRS 9 and BCBS239 in addition to offering their management an effective support for complex decisions such as steering the P&L.

## KEY FEATURES

PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE TRACEABILITY/LINEAGE ON HOW THE DATA FLOWS UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM

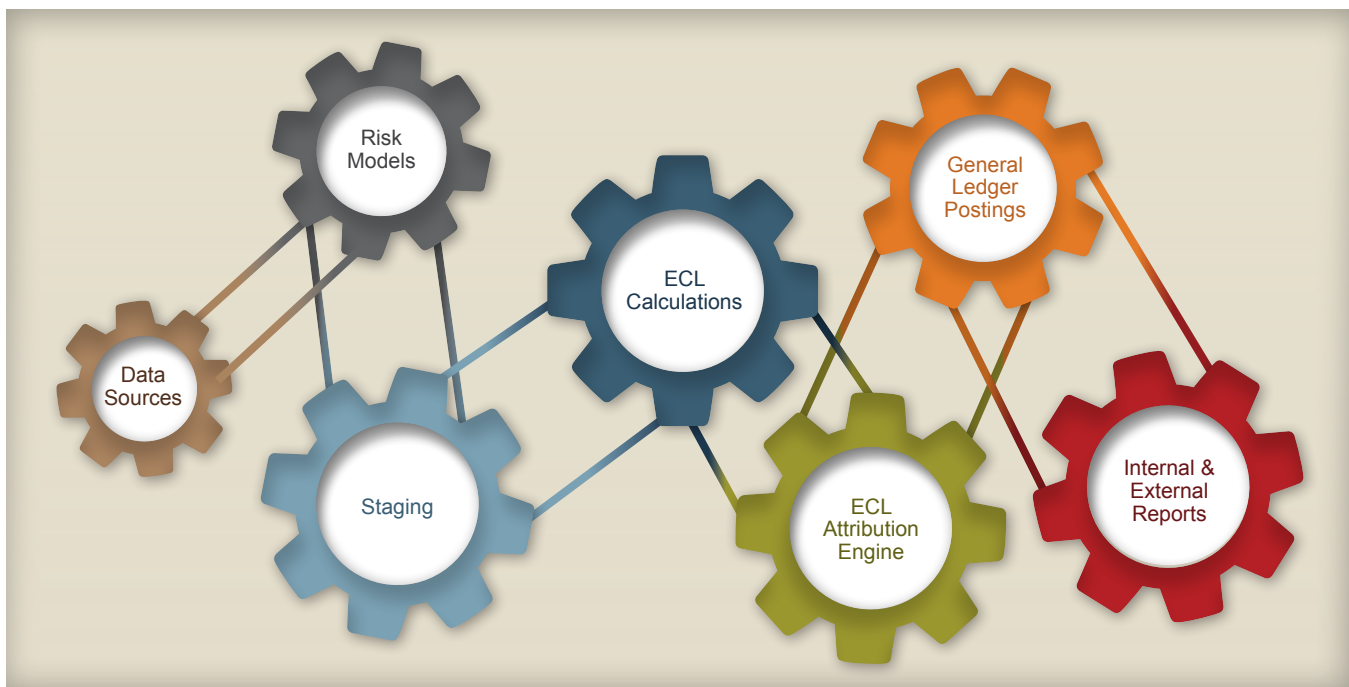
INTERFACES WITH CLIENTS' DATA STRUCTURE AND WORKFLOW PROCESS WITHOUT ANY DATA CONVERSION

STREAMLINES AND AUTOMATES REPORTING PROCESSES

AUTOMATES COMPLEX WORKFLOW PROCESS ENABLING USERS TO REVIEW RESULTS AND ENHANCE ACCURACY

ALLOWS USERS TO DRILLDOWN TO THE SOURCE

## End-to-End IFRS 9 Solution





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**AxiomSL is the global leader** in risk data management and regulatory reporting solutions for the financial industry, including banks, broker dealers, asset managers and insurance companies. Its unique enterprise data management (EDM) platform delivers data lineage, risk aggregation, analytics, workflow automation, reconciliation, validation and audit functionality, as well as disclosures. AxiomSL's platform supports compliance across a wide range of global and local regulations, including Basel III capital and liquidity requirements, the Dodd-Frank Act, FATCA/CRS, EMIR, FRTB, COREP/FINREP, CCAR, MiFID II, FDSF, BCBS 239, Solvency II, AIFMD, IFRS 9/CECL, MAS, APRA, REMIT, SFTR, central bank disclosures, and both market and credit risk management requirements. The company's technology and solutions have received numerous accolades, including success in the Best Reporting Initiative category of the American Financial Technology Awards, Best Implementation at a Sell-Side by Incisive Media, and highest recognition in the Customer Satisfaction section of the Chartis RiskTech100 rankings.