# Dutch approach to SBR Assurance

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- 1. Standard Business Reporting in the Netherlands
- 2. The need for Assurance
- 3. The Dutch approach to SBR Assurance
- 4. Next steps







#### SBR in the Netherlands - 1

- 1. Standard Business Reporting standardizes not only <a href="Data">Data</a>, but also <a href="Processes">Processes</a> and <a href="Technology">Technology</a>
- 2. Public/private sector program since 2008
- 3. Primary goal is administrative burden reduction
- 4. Strategic decisions made by SBR Counsel, tactical discussions in SBR Platform
- 5. Central govt. coordinates and monitors, execution mainly by govt. agencies but also private sector
- 6. SBR replaces all paper-based filings







## SBR in the Netherlands - 2

#### 1. The Dutch SBR Taxonomy Architecture

- a. Multi-domain, multi-party development
- b. Until now closed, semi-open in near future
- c. Limits the use of the XBRL specification, but does not depart from it

#### 2. The Dutch SBR Taxonomy

- a. <u>Existing domains</u>: Financial statements, Tax filings, Economic statistics, Credit reports
- b. <u>Developing domains</u>: Healthcare, Education, Agriculture, Subsidies, Assurance, Tax compliance, Local govt.
- c. Collaborative development, central management



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#### SBR in the Netherlands - 3

- 1. SBR offered voluntary filing since 2009
- 2. Central facility for <u>deposit</u> of reports now ready for large-scale validation and distribution
- 3. Mandatory filing starting 2013, gradual implementation towards 2016
- 4. Required changes in laws and regulations underway
- 5. Other preconditions now being implemented:
  - a. Private sector software is 'SBR-ready'
  - b. Comprehensive approach toward assurance







## The need for Assurance - 1

- Mandatory filing of annual accounts as part of SBR requires a digitally readable version of the Auditor Report to be attached somehow
- 2. Emerging 'implicit assurance' situations, where no proper assurance approach exists; Credit reports, tax assurance, etc.
- 3. New insights into future assurance requirements;
  - a. Shift from report level -> data level assurance
  - b. Hybrid forms of assurance over one report, prompted by trends like Integrated Reporting

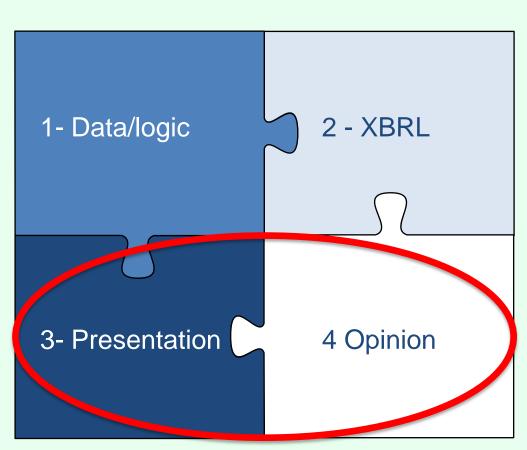


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## The need for Assurance - 2

Conceptually, what do we actually expect from the auditor? A decomposition of the elements that auditors need to look at when working with SBR:









#### The mandate and assurance

- 1. Characteristics of annual accounts
  - a. Not only data, but also presentation of the data has to be adequate
  - b. "True and fair view" versus data-level assurance
- 2. Does this represent a "true and fair view?

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# Design principles

- A. Integrated solution for creating, signing and publishing Auditor Reports and Annual Accounts
- B. <u>Separate</u> XBRL instances for Auditor Reports and Annual Accounts, but able to create a solid link
- C. Initially intended for <u>report-level</u> assurance but able to evolve towards supporting <u>data-level</u>
- D. <u>Flexible structure</u> to support future modifications in the structure of Auditor Reports
- E. Applicable for <u>all types of reports</u>, as well as use outside the Netherlands and SBR
- F. Follow the Dutch Taxonomy Architecture as much as possible





#### The three Pillars







# Pillar 1: presentation model

Specifications for validation and rendering solutions to be supported:

- The validation of SBR Annual Accounts and SBR Auditor Reports in XBRL format
- The presentation of the SBR Annual Accounts in a consistent (human readable) manner in accordance with the Dutch Civil Code and commonly used reporting models
- The presentation of the SBR Auditor Reports in a consistent (human readable) manner





# Using the presentation model

Companies

• Draft SBR annual accounts

Issue SBR annual accounts

**Auditors** 

Audit SBR annual accounts

Draft and Issue SBR auditor reports

Users

- Render SBR annual accounts
- Render SBR auditor reports





# Pillar 2:NBA assurance taxonomy

#### Phase 1

Supporting ISA 700 (audit), ISRE 2400, ISRE 2410 (review) and ISRS 4410 (compilation) engagements

#### Phase 2

Supporting differentiated levels of assurance

#### Phase 3

Supporting company specific taxonomy extensions





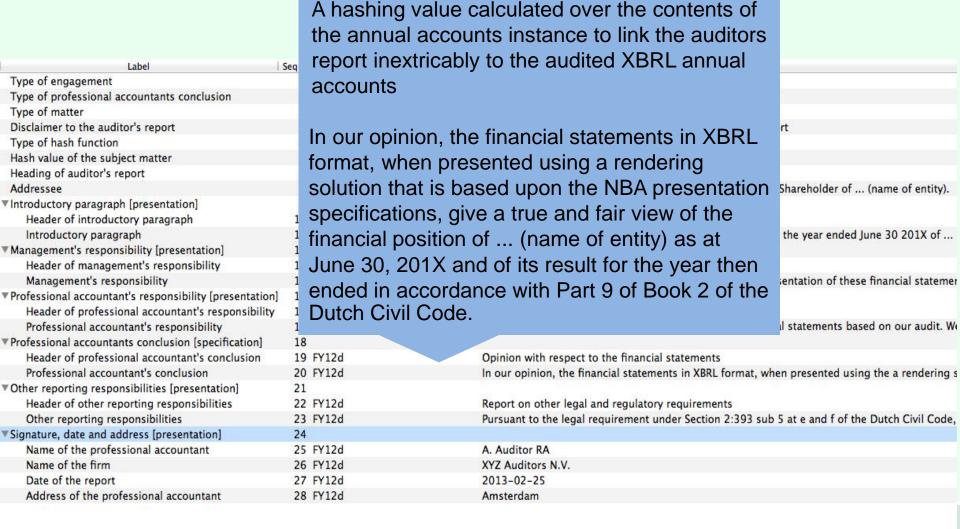
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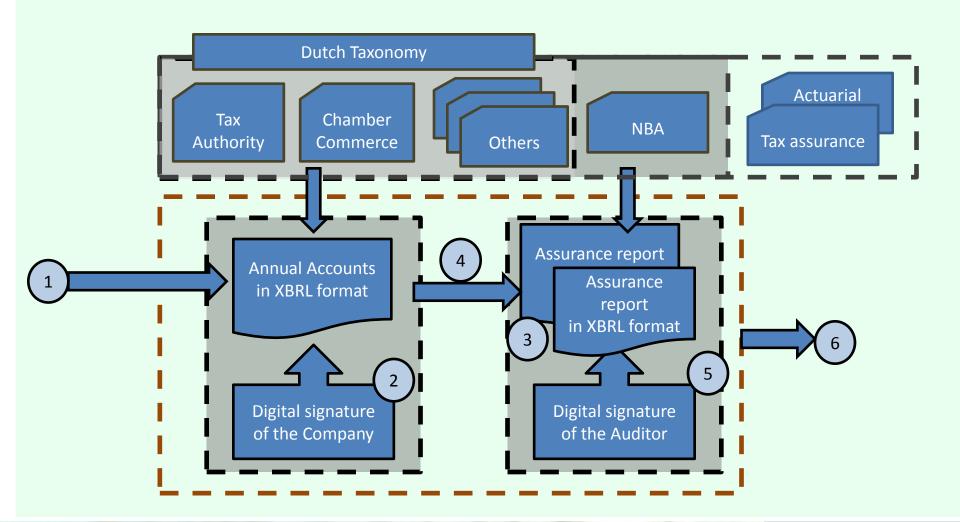
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# Pillar 3: signing and linking







## Next steps

This approach has now been adopted by the SBR program and the next steps are:

- Completion of the NBA Assurance taxonomy
- Develop the NBA Assurance tool to provide a standard presentation model
- Establish guidance for auditors involved in SBR Assurance
- Initiate a limited pilot project to test SBR
   Assurance in practice and adapt it where needed
- Initiate a broad pilot project to help auditors work with SBR Assurance





# Questions





