

Metropolia IPW 2015 - Course Prof. Dr. Holger Buck

Transparency Issues in Corporate Governance Tasks for Presentation

1. Find internet sources on a possible definition of “corporate governance”. What is the definition you like best?
2. Find the English version of the German Corporate Governance Codex (Deutscher Corporate Governance Codex) www.dcgk.de/en/home.html (with full text available in English)
3. Read through the Preamble of the Codex and briefly summarize the objectives (goals, targets) of the Codex, with a particular view to transparency.
4. Read the clauses 6.1-6.8. Describe the concerns these clauses address more generally, if possible (like giving them headings/titles). Please rank the issues addressed according to the importance you attach to them.
5. Read clauses 4.2.3 to 4.2.5 as well as 4.3. State what you find the most important information for the shareholder regarding compensation and conflicts of interest of the management board.
6. Why do you think transparency is an important issue? What is the relation between transparency and business ethics?
7. Prepare a petition on the five most important things you would like to know about a company if you were a potential investor or a shareholder considering to sell.

Please deliver your team presentation in a manner that gives every member of the team an equal opportunity to speak. Think of visualizing certain points to help your audience.