

**Message from Warren Allen, President
International Federation of Accountants
On the Occasion of
The 20th Anniversary of the Association of Accountants of the Republic of Latvia
March 2014, Riga, Latvia**

On behalf of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), its Board, and its 179 members and associates in 130 countries and jurisdictions, I extend sincere congratulations to the Association of Accountants of the Republic of Latvia (AARL) on its 20th anniversary.

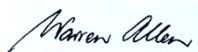
From its founding in 1994, AARL has provided leadership in the development the accountancy profession in Latvia. As a newly inducted associate member of IFAC, AARL has demonstrated support for our core initiatives, including adopting and implementing international standards, improving quality and capacity, supporting the profession, and representing and advocating for the accountancy profession.

AARL also has fostered cooperation with Latvian academic, professional, and governmental stakeholders as well as with Estonian and Lithuanian professional accountancy organizations on issues relevant to the profession.

AARL has also distinguished itself through cooperation with and membership in other important organizations, including the European Accounting Association, International Association for Accounting Education & Research, and the European Institute for Advanced Studies in Management.

I commend the AARL members and Board Chair Andrejs Ponomarjovs for their unceasing efforts to strengthen the profession nationally, regionally, and globally through AARL as a member of IFAC.

Sincerely,



Warren Allen
IFAC President