

DETERMINANTS OF GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT DISCLOSURE UNDER IAS 36**Francisca Pardo**

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Abstract

This study examines the determinants of compliance with IAS 36 disclosure requirements about the goodwill impairment test. This topic is relevant and timely, since the IASB is working on new disclosure objectives and requirements. The sample consists of the Spanish IBEX 35 in 2008–2016. We construct an index based on the IAS 36 requirements and hand-collect the information disclosed in the notes. Results show that compliance levels are determined by some company characteristics such as the magnitude of goodwill, company size, and leverage. We also identify a temporal effect, as the disclosure level increases steady over the period.

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