



# **Certified International Wealth Manager (CIWM)**

# **Final Examination Syllabus**

# Wealth Management

### **1** Basic concepts

- **1.1 Comparing outcomes of investments**
- 1.2 Utility functions and indifference curves
- 1.3 Expected utility approach
- 1.4 Expected utility and the mean-variance framework
- 2 Asset and liabilities categories
- 2.1 Assets and funds
- 2.2 Alternative assets
- 2.3 Structured products
- 2.4 Liabilities
- **3 Clients profiles**
- 3.1 Setting return objectives
- 3.2 Time horizon
- 3.3 Liquidity need
- 3.4 Taxes
- 3.5 Keep the profile alive
- 4 The financial plan: Assessing the client's assets and liabilities
- 4.1 Pro forma financial statements
- 4.2 Base currency
- 4.3 Assets
- 4.4 Liabilities

- 4.5 Revenues and the evolution of revenues
- 4.6 Consumption and growth in consumption
- 4.7 Cash surplus
- 4.8 Taxation
- 4.9 Financial analysis
- 5 Asset allocation, portfolio choice and management styles
- 5.1 Constraints of the client
- 5.2 Construction of the efficient frontiers
- 5.3 Determination of the optimal portfolio and the corresponding asset allocation with the client
- 5.4 Periodical review of the assumptions, co-operation with the research and economic forecast departments

### **6 Funds selection**

- 6.1 Advantages and disadvantages of mutual funds
- 6.2 The fund selection process
- 6.3 Tax considerations





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## **Relationship Management**

- **1** Introduction
- **2** The basis of interpersonal relationship
- 2.1 Rationale and structure of the interpersonal relationship
- 2.2 Effectiveness vs. Efficiency
- 2.3 The psychological contract
- 2.4 The Family Business case
- **3 The Effectiveness Side**
- 3.1 Being effective in managing a WM relationship
- 3.2 Highlights on basics and effectiveness
- 3.3 Reading on effectiveness
- **4** Efficiency
- 4.1 Being efficient in managing a WM
- 4.2 Highlights on efficiency
- 4.3 Readings on efficiency

### **Real Estate Valuation and Analysis**

### **1** Valuation and indices of real estate

- 1.1 Valuation methods
- 1.2 Real estate indices
- 2 Integration of the real estate in the mixed-asset portfolio
- 2.1 Introduction
- 2.2 Return and risks of real estate
- 2.3 Correlation between the returns on various asset classes
- 2.4 Determining the share of real estate in optimal portfolios
- 2.5 Conclusion

#### **3** Financing of real estate

- 3.1 Introduction: equity and debt in real estate investment
- 3.2 Mortgages and real property collateral
- 3.3 Market for mortgage debt: Volumes and coupon rates
- 3.4 Financial structure of real estate investors: Debt and equity
- 3.5 The basic stock/flow mechanics of a mortgage
- 3.6 Mortgage contract features
- 3.7 Mortgage valuation and pricing



## **Behavioural Finance**

- **1** The Decision theory
- 1.1 Introduction
- **1.2 Prospect theory**
- **1.3 Expected Utility**
- 1.4 Mean-variance analysis
- 1.5 The optimal asset allocation
- 2 Product design
- 2.1 Introduction
- 2.2 Case study "ladder pop"
- 2.3 Optimal production design
- **3 Behavioural biases**
- 3.1 Introduction
- 3.2 Information selection
- 3.3 Information processing
- 3.4 Decision
- 3.5 Feedback
- **4** Diagnostic
- 4.1 A case study
- 4.2 Construction and use of the questions
- 4.3 Knowledge and investment experience

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- 4.4 Psychology and emotions
- 4.5 Client's diagnostic profile
- 4.6 Conclusion

### 5 Dynamic asset allocation

- 5.1 Investment horizon
- 5.2 Rebalancing
- 5.3 Conclusion
- 6 Risk profiling
- 6.1 Introduction
- 6.2 A case study
- 6.3 The risk cube
- 6.4 Questionnaire
- 6.5 Portfolio Construction

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- 6.6 Reporting
- 6.7 Conclusion