



# EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF GAMBLING

Preliminary programme (25 June 2008)

Tuesday – 1 July 2008

**09.30 – 16.30 Pre conference workshop on Prevention and Youth Gambling**

Jeffrey Derevensky, McGill University, Montreal, Canada  
(only for those who have registered separately for this workshop)

**16.00 – 20.00 Registration of conference participants**

**18.00 – 20.00 Welcome cocktail, Pinta 1<sup>st</sup> floor**

Drinks and snacks, Hotel & Casino Perla  
Welcome speech by Ms, Darinka Kozinc, deputy Mayor of Nova Gorica and  
Mr, Niko Trost, President of the Board of HIT

Wednesday – 2 July 2008

**08.00 - 17.00 Registration**

**08.45 – 09.10 Welcome speech**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

Mrs, Malgorzata Rogowicz – Angierman, Chairperson of the Executive  
Committee of EASG

**Official Opening**

Mr, Andrej Vizjak, Minister of Economy, Slovenia

**09.10 – 10.50 Plenary session - SETTING THE SCENE**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Malgorzata Rogowicz- Angierman, Industry Consultant, Poland

- **Crime and addiction problems and approaches to the regulation of gambling in the European Union**  
Bertil Vagnhammer, European Commission, DG Internal Market & Services, Belgium
- **The Future of Gambling in Europe and North America: Comparisons and contrasts of economic and political trends and of social pressures**  
Bill Eadington, Institute for the study of gambling and commercial gaming, University of Nevada, U.S.A.
- **Everyone's a winner! Youth perceptions of gambling advertisements**  
Jeffrey Derevensky, McGill University, Canada
- **Risk and Protective Factors in Problem Gambling**  
Alun Jackson, University of Melbourne, Australia

**10.50 – 11.20 Coffee Break**



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## 11.20 – 13.00 Plenary session - CRIME AND PASSION AND THE LAW

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Eric van Vondelen, Netherlands Gaming Control Board, The Netherlands

- **Criminality and Gambling: Some thoughts on the Placanica ruling of the European Court of Justice**  
Alan Littler, Tilburg University, The Netherlands
- **Gambling law in Europe: current evolution and future forms**  
Martin Sychold, Swiss Institute for Comparative Law, Switzerland
- **Compliance to Money laundering and terrorist financing prevention act**  
Johan van Kastel, Holland Casino, The Netherlands
- **The new frame work of the Italian on-line gambling market**  
Valerie Peano, Studio di Consulenza Societaria e Tributaria, Italy

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## 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

*Location: Pinta 1<sup>st</sup> floor*

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## 14.00 – 15.40 Parallel Session 1 - Focus on Slovenia

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Pieter Remmers, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **Gaming taxation model to generate tourist gaming resorts in Slovenia**  
Boris Nemec, HIT casino, Slovenia
- **The casino experience: did play become work?**  
Andrej Agrez, HIT Casino, Slovenia
- **Establishment of standards for the required knowledge and certificates of qualification in gaming professions**  
Dusan Luin, HIT Casino, Slovenia
- **Young people and gambling in the region of Koper**  
Milan Krek, Public health institute of Koper, Slovenia

## **Parallel Session 2 -Focus on Europe / Nordic Countries**

*Location: Conference hall Nina, ground floor*

**Chair:** Mark Griffiths, Nottingham Trent University, U.K.

- **Norway: Slot machines and problem gambling**  
Inger Johanne Bakken, SINTEF Health Research, Norway
- **Sweden: Gambling and gambling problems in Sweden**  
Jakob Jonsson, Spelinstitutet, Sweden
- **Iceland: Gambling and problem gambling among adults and adolescents in Iceland: Results from the Icelandic Gambling Project**  
Daniel Ólason, University of Iceland, Iceland
- **Norway: Does a reduction in the overall amount of gambling imply a reduction at all levels of gambling?**  
Marianne Hansen, Norwegian Institute for Alcohol and Drug Research, Norway



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## **Parallel Session 3 - Research**

*Location: Oval room, first floor*

**Chair:** Thomas Nilsson, Spelinstitutet, Sweden

- **Australasian national association for gambling studies – strengthening gambling research links across the world**  
Leigh Barrett, National Association for Gambling Studies, Australia
- **What Gambling Studies could learn from Game Studies**  
Aki Järvinen, Veikkaus, the Finnish National Lottery, Finland
- **High rollers from China: A profile based on 99 cases**  
Zhonglu Zeng, Macao Polytechnic institute, Macao
- **A Framework for the UK 2008 RIGT (Responsibility In Gambling Trust) Collaborative Research Agenda**  
Linda Hancock, RIGT, U.K.

## **Parallel Session 4 - Detection and Treatment**

*Location: White room, first floor*

**Chair:** Nina Davies, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **Distance based therapy for problem gamblers in Norway**  
Magnus Eidem, Innlandet Hospital Trust, Norway
- **Ethnic minorities and the challenge of drop out**  
Espen Freng, Blue Cross Center, Norway
- **Prevention and detection of pathological gambling and other not – Toxic addictions in Primary Health Centers**  
Angels González Ibañez and Sara Melchiorre, Mataro Hospital, Spain
- **The piloting and evaluation of a residential/ day treatment program gambling treatment system in Ontario**  
Robert Murray, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Canada

## **Parallel Session 5 - From all over**

*Location: Blue room, first floor*

**Chair:** Judy Cornelius, University of Nevada, Reno, U.S.A.

- **Prevention of Problem Gambling: A Comprehensive Review of the Evidence and Recommended Best Practices**  
Robert Williams, University of Lethbridge, Canada
- **Technology, indeterminacy, consumption and harm: the use and regulation of electric gaming machines in Australia**  
Charles Livingstone, Monash University, Canada
- **All in! The commercial advertising of off-shore gambling on television**  
Delthia Miller, St. Mary's University, Canada
- **Implicit attitudes toward gambling**  
Sunghwan Yi, University of Guelph, Canada



## **Parallel Session 6 - Turning point**

*Location: Calypso restaurant, ground floor*

**Chair:** Malgorzata Rogowicz-Angierman, EASG, Poland

- **Europeanization without integration: gambling markets in the European Union**  
Natalia Zborowska, Vrije University Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- **Three Dutch court decisions re Holland Casino's prevention policy on gambling addiction**  
Abdel Ytsma, Holland Casino, The Netherlands
- **The regressivity of gambling taxes: the case of casinos**  
Doug Walker, College of Charleston, U.S.A.
- **Who uses the internet to gamble? Findings the 2007 British Prevalence Study**  
Heather Wardle, National Centre for Social Research, U.K.

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**15.40 – 16.10 Tea break**

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## **16.10 – 17.50 Parallel Session 1 - Gambling in diversity**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Iver Hand, University Hospital Eppendorf/Hamburg, Germany

- **Optimizing public benefit when authorizing limited license integrated resort casino projects: what Europe can learn from global experience**  
Bill Eadington, University of Nevada, Reno, U.S.A.
- **Autonomy and harm Minimization v. Consumer Protection in Gambling Regulation**  
Kurt Eggert, Chapman University School of Law, U.S.A.
- **A Delphi Study of Centralized Gambling Models**  
Mark Griffiths, Nottingham Trent University, U.K.
- **The exclusion of gamblers – preliminary results of an evaluation study**  
Gerhard Meyer, University of Bremen, Germany



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### **Parallel Session 2: Experiences in Treatment and Prevention of excessive gambling – Focus on Italy**

*Location: conference hall Nina, ground floor*

**Chair:** Daniela Capitanucci, Associazione AND, Italy

- **Development of therapeutic programs for pathological gamblers in Castelfranco Veneto Addiction Treatment Service, Italy**  
Graziano Bellio, SerT, Unita Sociosanitaria, Italy
- **Group Therapy with pathological gamblers: results during 6, 12, 18 months of treatment**  
Gianni Savron, Centro Disturbi Affettivi, Italy
- **“Sidecar”: a short residential treatment for pathological gamblers**  
Paolo Jarre & Marzia Spagnolo, ASL TO3, Italy
- **“Orthos”: a three weeks intensive residential program for pathological gamblers**  
Riccardo Zerbetto, ALEA, Italy
- **“One must know how to lose”: specific residential treatment for gamblers in a public therapeutic community in Northern Italy**  
Paolo Jarre & Marzia Spagnolo, ASL TO3, Italy
- **Importing Preventive Tools from Abroad. Adapting the Laval University video “Le hazard, Lucky, on peut rien y changer” to the Italian context and testing its efficacy and the McGill University website “Just for Young”**  
Daniela Capitanucci, Associazione AND, Italy

### **Parallel Session 3 – Focus on Women**

*Location: Oval room, first floor*

**Chair:** Nina Davies, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **Web Woman: Online Narratives of woman’s Relationships with Gambling in Contemporary Society**  
Faith Freestone, The Gordon Moody Association, England
- **From Slot machines to Virtual Casinos – How women Handle Problem Gambling**  
Johanna Järvinen - Tassopoulos, STAKES, Finland
- **Hidden Carers – A Tale of Two Hats (2 slots)**  
Kate Roberts, Gambling Impact Society, Australia



## **Parallel Session 4 - Lotteries and casinos in diversity**

*Location: White room, first floor*

**Chair:** Barry Tolchard, University of Essex, U.K.

- **The Future of Lotteries: Prediction Markets**  
Tilman Becker, University of Hohenheim, Germany
- **Section behaviour of Taiwan lotto-players: dynamic analysis of number selection**  
Shin-Chin Lee, Chihlee Institute of Technology, Taiwan R.O.C., Taiwan
- **Better chances for charity lotteries**  
Tatiana van Lier, Association of Charity Lotteries in the EU (ACLEU). The Netherlands
- **The paradox of control in high-risk gambling organizations**  
Sytze Kingma, Vrije University, The Netherlands

## **Parallel Session 5 - Betting**

*Location: Blue room, first floor*

**Chair:** Roger Edlund, Spelinstitutet, Sweden

- **On-track versus off-track betting: an investigation of differential performance**  
Allistair Bruce, University of Nottingham, U.K.
- **An exploration of the origins of the favourite-longshot bias in horserace betting markets**  
Johnnie Johnson, University of Southampton, U.K.
- **Toward an understanding of variations in the nature of betting market populations via an exploration of the 'weekend effects' in a horserace betting market**  
Ming-Chien Sung, University of Southampton, U.K.
- **Are bookmakers smarter than bettors?**  
Leighton Vaughan Williams, Nottingham Business School, U.K.

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**18.00 – 19.00** **General meeting of the members of the European Association for the Study of Gambling (members only)**

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**19.00** **Start Slovenian evening programme  
trip to Wine cellar Brda , including dinner**



Thursday – 3 July 2008

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**08.00 – 17.00 Registration**

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**09.00 – 10.40 Plenary session - THE WINNER TAKES IT ALL**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Connie Jones, IGT, U.S.A.

- **Gambling advertising and problem gambling : An interview study**  
Per Binde, CEFOS, Sweden
- **What's next, after the 2005 act?**  
Peter Wilson, Blake Laphorn Tarlo Lyons, U.K.
- **Gameplan, The solution for responsible gaming on slots and vlt's**  
John Xidos, Techlink Entertainment, Canada
- **Is gambling good for you?**  
Peter Collins, The National Responsible Gambling Programme, South Africa and University of Salford, U.K.

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**10.40 – 11.10 Coffee break**

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**11.10 – 12.50 Plenary session ..... AND, THE WOMEN TAKE OVER**

*Location: Conference hall Pina, ground floor*

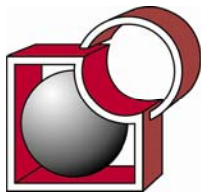
**Chair:** Pieter Remmers, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **The effects of casino design, restorative image and type of landing strip on gambling behaviour: An examination using virtual reality technology**  
Karen Finlay, University of Guelph, Canada
- **The role of the gaming industry in promoting responsible gambling**  
Annette Kok, EUROMAT, Belgium
- **The potentials and pitfalls of using technology – based player interfaces to encourage responsible play**  
Margaret McGee, Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation, Canada
- **Gaming Machines – More Than Entertainment? An update on machines modification as a responsible gaming strategy**  
Connie Jones, International Game Technology, U.S.A.

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**12.50 – 14.00 Lunch**

*Location: Pinta 1<sup>st</sup> floor*



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## 14.00 – 15.40 Parallel session 1 - Research

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

- **Chair:** Daniel Ólason, University of Iceland, Iceland
- **Identifying problem gamblers with gaming venues**  
Paul Delfabbro, University of Adelaide, Australia
- **How can Longitudinal research improve our understanding of the causes and cure of problem gambling?**  
Andrew McIntosh, University of Salford, U.K.
- **Behavioural excess disorders are not behavioural addictions**  
Iver Hand, University Hospital Eppendorf/Hamburg, Germany
- **The luck of the Irish: will Gaelic green include the color of casino Money**  
William Thompson, University of Nevada Las Vegas, U.S.A.

## Parallel session 2 - Focus on Europe / Eastern Countries

*Location: Conference hall Nina, Ground floor*

**Chair:** Tobias Hayer, University of Bremen, Germany

- **Estonia: Problem gambling in Estonia and the relationship with personal risk factors**  
Stella Laansoo, Public Service Academy, Estonia
- **Romania; Pathological gambling in Romania**  
Viorel Lupu, Iuliu Hatieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania
- **Slovenia: Problem gambling in Slovenia: Prevalence assessment and evaluation of preventive/care mechanisms**  
Mirna Macur, Faculty of Applied Social Studies, Slovenia
- **Russia: Problem Gambling in Russia: Psychological and criminological issues**  
Sergei Tsytsarev, Hofstra University, U.S.A.

## Parallel session 3 - Responsible gaming

*Location: Oval room, first floor*

**Chair:** Mark Griffiths, Nottingham Trent University, U.K.

- **Tool for Responsible Games**  
Anssi Airas, RAY, Finnish Slot machine Association, Finland and  
Aki Järvinen, Veikkaus, Finnish, National Lottery, Finland
- **Responsible gaming and gambling problems among 3000 Swedish internet poker players**  
Jakob Jonsson and Thomas Nilsson, Spelinstitutet, Sweden
- **Raising awareness so that people can play responsibly**  
Ruth Tanami, 888.com, Israel
- **Casino and racing entertainment centre voluntary self-exclusion program evaluation**  
Kent Verlik, Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, Canada





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## **Parallel session 4 - Screening**

*Location: White room, first floor*

**Chair:** Tilman Becker, University of Hohenheim, Germany

- **Is a screen developed for the masses also relevant to individual cultures? Findings of a gambling screen in a range of cultures demonstrate this possibility**  
Mike Goulding, Abacus counselling Training and Supervision Ltd, New Zealand
- **Short Screen for problem Gambling among Young People**  
John Lepper, National Lottery Commission, U.K.
- **Screening with Meaning: Moving beyond clinical identification of Problem Gamblers to management and prevention of gambling problems**  
Tony Schellinck, Focal Research Constants Limited; Dalhousie University, Canada
- **Current Measurement of Problem Gambling: Experiences using the Victorian Gambling Screen**  
Barry Tolchard, University of Essex U.K.

## **Parallel session 5 - Diversity again**

*Location: Blue room, first floor*

**Chair:** Pieter Remmers, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **An Exploratory Investigation into the Behaviours and Attitudes of Internet Casino and Internet Poker Players**  
Jonathan Parke, University of Salford, U.K.
- **A project to realign the approach to investigation, detection, prevention and treatment of pathological gambling**  
Angels Gonzalez Ibanez, Hospital de Mataro, Spain
- **Preventing gambling- related problems: evidences from other addiction**  
Elisabeth Papineau, Quebec National Institute of Public Health, Canada
- **Responsible Gaming Program in Catalonia**  
Guillem Salvans, Direcció General del Joc, Spain

## **Parallel session 6 - More Research**

*Location: Calypso restaurant, ground floor*

**Chair:** Roger Edlund, Spelinstitutet, Sweden

- **Prevalence and Risk of Pathological Gambling in Switzerland after the Legalization of Games of Chance and Casinos in 2000**  
Monica Zangerl, Institute of Psychology, Switzerland
- **The prevalence of problem gambling amongst Canadian federal offenders**  
Nigel Turner, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Canada
- **The Gambler's Spouses in Treatment- a view that is often underestimated**  
Sanja Rozman, NGO "Change in heart", Association for help to the addiction for help to the addicted, Slovenia
- **Cognitive, motivational and emotional factors associated with problem gambling in Australian poker players: A preliminary study**  
Vedrana Mitrovic, Macquarie University, Australia



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15.40 – 16.10 Tea break

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16.10 – 17.50 **Parallel session 1 - Internet**

*Conference hall Pinta, Ground floor*

**Chair:** Thomas Nilsson, Spelinstitutet, Sweden

- **Involvement of Young People in Internet Gambling**  
Ben Haden, National Lottery Commission, U.K.
- **Strategies and Technologies for Responsible Gambling**  
Emil Angervall, Svenska Spel, Sweden
- **Beyond smart cards to smart technologies**  
Phillip Ryan, Responsible Gaming Networks, Australia
- **Inside the Black Box: Using player tracking to identify and manage risk**  
Tracy Schrans, Focal Research Consultants, Canada

**Parallel session 2 - Italian Public policy: are we different from abroad?**

**Focus on Italy**

*Location: Conference hall Nina Ground floor*

**Chair:** Daniela Capitanucci, Associazione AND, Italy

- **The Italian approach to gambling. A survey of Italian help resources**  
Mauro Croce, ASL VCO, Italy
- **“So close so different”. A different comparison between the Swiss way and Italian approach to gambling**  
Daniela Capitanucci, Associazione AND, Italy
- **Project “Safety on gambling”: how we help the gamblers of the Venice Casino – Italy**  
Pier Guido Nardi, Azienda ulss 12 veneziana, Italy
- **Responsible gambling: an experience from Gorizia – Nova Gorica**  
Bernardo Spazzapan, A.S.S. I Sontine Gorizia, Italy
- **Networking in a gambling growing context: the experience of a public service on a low cost scale**  
Fulvia Prever, ASL Città di Milano, Italy



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### **Parallel session 3 - Kiwi News**

*Location: Oval room, first floor*

**Chair:** Barry Tolchard, University of Essex U.K.

- **Realistically, are Gambling Venue Operators part of the problem gambling workforce? Training of Industry staff under NZ harm minimisation regulations**  
Alison Penfold, Abacus Counselling Treatment & Supervision, New Zealand
- **A Southern Hemisphere approach to problem gambling: New Zealand**  
Sean Sullivan, Abacus Counselling Treatment & Supervision, New Zealand
- **Brief Interventions in New Zealand: Helping Redefine Treatment for Problem Gamblers and Their Families**  
Mary Anne Cooke, Abacus Counselling Treatment & Supervision, New Zealand
- **The New Zealand gambling model: integrating public health and clinical issues**  
Philip Townshend and Mathew McMillan, Problem Gambling Foundation of New Zealand, New Zealand

### **Parallel session 4 -Focus on Europe / Middle, central and a bit from the North**

*Location: White room, first floor*

**Chair:** Gerhard Meyer, University of Bremen, Germany

- **Switzerland: Problem gambling: Evidence from Switzerland**  
Joerg Haefeli, Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Switzerland
- **Germany: Problem Gambling in Germany: Evidence and preventive measures**  
Tobias Hayer, University of Bremen, Germany
- **Denmark: Gambling in Denmark: an Overview**  
Line Gebauer, Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark
- **The Finnish Gambling Prevalence Survey 2007**  
Mari Pajula, The Centre of Expertise on Social Welfare, Finland

### **Parallel session 5 - Economics / news from Asia**

*Location: Blue room, first floor*

**Chair:** Boris Nemeč, Hit, Slovenia

- **Have the world largest gaming market, Macao suffers from short stays in her tourism industry**  
Victor Chan, Macao Polytechnic Institute, China
- **A Study on Gaming Industrial Cluster in Macao**  
Kim Chong Un, Macao Polytechnic Institute, China
- **Exploring the Efficient Market Hypothesis though Time; The case of the Total Goals Market**  
Anastasios Oikonomidis, University of Southampton, U.K.
- **Casino Nation: Harrah's Atlantic City and Success in the American Casino Era**  
James Karmel, Halford Community College, U.S.A.

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18.30

**Evening programme Trip to Italy**



Friday 4 July 2008

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**09.30 – 11.10 Parallel session 1 - The day after**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

**Chair:** Thomas Nilsson, Spelinstitutet, Sweden

- **What are the risk factors of gambling addiction?**  
Tamara Besednjak, Faculty of applied social studies, Slovenia
- **What are the social cost of gambling?**  
Doug Walker, College of Charleston, U.S.A.
- **Optimal Methodology for Studying the Socioeconomic Impact or Gambling**  
Robert Williams, University of Lethbridge, Canada
- **Integrated resort casino development and its impact on tourism in Slovenia**  
Hugo Zagorsek, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

**Parallel session 2 – Research**

*Location: Conference hall Nina, ground floor*

**Chair:** Boris Nemec, HIT, Slovenia

- **Player card technologies in the gambling environment**  
Mark Griffiths, Nottingham Trent University, U.K.
- **GambLIB – the gambling research data base**  
Janez Povh, Faculty of Applied Social Studies, Slovenia
- **Gambler's memory paradox – or why playing to win may be better than playing for fun**  
Bartomiej Dzik, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland
- **Gambling in the Slovenian public Discourse**  
Matej Makarovic, Faculty of Applied Social Studies, Slovenia

**Parallel session 3 - WORKSHOP**

*Location: Oval room, first floor*

- **Two types of Behavioural treatment for problem and pathological gamblers**  
Iver Hand, University Hospital Eppendorf / Hamburg, Germany



## **Parallel session 4 - From everywhere**

*Location: White room, first floor*

**Chair:** Pieter Remmers, Assissa Consultancy Europe, The Netherlands

- **Open Legal problems in Slovenian Gambling Jurisdiction**  
Rok Lampe, European Faculty of Law, Slovenia
- **Pathological Gambling as a non - substance addiction – from theory to therapy**  
Ludvik Nabělek, F.D. Roosevelt Hospital, Slovakia
- **Gambling and the Dilemma of Government Responsibility**  
Michael O’Neil, University of Adelaide, Australia
- **Employees ’Economic Gain From the De-monopolization of the World’s Largest gambling Industry in Macao**  
Victor Chan, Macao Polytechnic Institute, China

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**11.10 – 11.40 Coffee break**

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**11.40 – 12.30 SYMPOSIUM: LET’S BE CLEAR: Putting all the pieces together**

*Location: Conference hall Pinta, ground floor*

*All plenary session speakers are invited to participate in the forum*

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**12.30 – 13.30 Farewell lunch**