

# GBGA Update

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# In Short

1. Work we carried out last year
2. Changes to personnel and the internal framework
3. The topics and subjects that we will be working on for the next few months / over the next year
4. A brief introduction to the GBGA.

# What is the GBGA ?

**Gibraltar Betting and Gaming Association** is the trade association representing the Gibraltar licensed gambling industry. We provide the licensed gambling industry in Gibraltar with a single voice on all the issues of importance to regulators, legislators, and key decision makers in Gibraltar predominantly, but around the world as required

# Members

Entain

pariplay

Bally's  
INTERACTIVE

888 | William HILL  
Bigger. Stronger. Better Together

BETFRED

Lottoland

Casumo

BETVICTOR

IGT

LIGHT &  
WONDER

Rank Group

REALISTIC

M MANSION

bet365

tombola

kindred

GAMES GLOBAL

BoyleSports

Virgin  
BET

blueprint  
GAMING

# A brief history

- In existence prior to 2006 (enactment of Gambling Act 2005)
- International facing

## EU:

Freedom to provide services

European Gaming and Betting Association (EGBA)

European Committee for Standardisation (CEN) 'Standards for Responsible Remote Gambling measures'

## GB:

White List + European Economic Area countries + Gibraltar

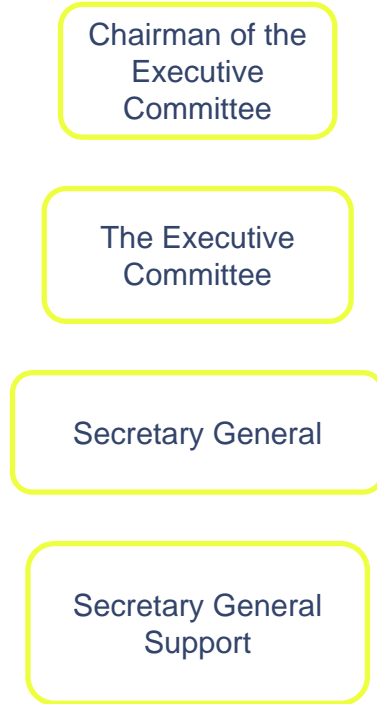
Remote Gaming Association

## US:

Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act 2006

- Setting International Standards: European Sports Security Association (ESSA) / International Betting Integrity Association (IBIA)
- Implementation of the new Act / roll out of new regulatory regime
- Principle of subsidiarity and shift from 'point of supply' regimes to 'point of consumption' regimes: change to GBGA's constitution in 2013
- The Gibraltar Gambling Care Foundation, the Centre of Excellence in Responsible Gambling (CERG), University of Gibraltar's Responsible Gambling course

# GBGA Structure



# GBGA Objectives

- 1. To provide an organisation for the benefit and service of the Gibraltar based betting and gaming industry and to represent its interests before:**
  - i. The Gibraltar Government;**
  - ii. Any regulator or representative appointed by the Gibraltar Government from time to time;**
  - iii. The public authorities of Gibraltar;**
  - iv. Any other public authority, public body or regulator as may be expedient from time to time.**
  
- 2. To represent, express and give effect to the views and opinions of the Gibraltar betting and gaming industry and its employees on commercial or mercantile matters of all kinds to the Gibraltar parliament, other parliamentary bodies, national and state governments, public bodies, regulatory authorities, suppliers of services to the betting and gaming industry, the media, the public and any other organisations with the ability to affect or influence the gaming market.**
  
- 3. To help promote Gibraltar as a centre of excellence and integrity for international betting and gaming.**
  
- 4. To encourage the sharing of information to help prevent fraud, money laundering, terrorist funding, underage gambling, and other unlawful activity.**
  
- 5. To undertake collective negotiations on behalf of members with appropriate trades' organisations, employer's organisations, government bodies, media interests and other relevant entities.**

# GBGA Objectives

- 6. To encourage social responsibility within the betting and gaming industry effected through various means including support for charities and initiatives to help those who have gambling problems.**
  
7. To promote, present, obtain support for or oppose any legislation or legislative process in the Gibraltar or United Kingdom Parliaments or similar legislation in any EEA member state or the European Union or worldwide, and do, or procure to be done, any proceedings, enterprises, movements, or any other form of activity which may tend to promote in any lawful manner the objectives of the GBGA or any of them.
  
- 8. To promote the right under European law for members located in the EEA to freely promote their services in, and accept business from, all EEA member states.**
  
9. To make representations in the European Commission and European Parliament, as appropriate, through whatever means, to press the case for the free movement of gambling services across Europe and mutual recognition of European territories.
  
- 10. To promote betting and gaming legislation, regulation and guidance that balances the lawful and proper commercial interest of members with the proper pursuit of appropriate regulation of betting and gaming by inter alia governments, legislators, and regulators.**



# GBGA Objectives

- 11. To encourage an exchange of industry information and to provide a channel of communication with relevant authorities, associations, and organisations worldwide.**
12. To provide a forum for discussion of matters of mutual interest to members of the GBGA.
- 13. To provide a means for members of the GBGA to establish and maintain contact with each other both on a professional and social level.**

# Last Year's Work

1. New Gibraltar Gambling Act and Licensing Regime

**2. Sub-Committee Work**

3. EGBA

**4. Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC)**

5. Support and collaboration with the CERG

**6. Improved communications**

# Coming Up....

## **1. New Gibraltar Gambling Act and Licensing Regime**

2. Codes of Practice

## **3. Sub-Committee Work**

4. Continue to support and collaborate with CERG

## **5. European Safer Gambling Week (13 to 19 November)**

6. Co-operation and collaboration with other trade associations (EGBA, Betting and Gaming Council (BGC))

## **7. Continue to explore opportunities via CWEIC**

8. Improve communications (e.g. NewsBlog)

## **9. Social Events**

10. Engagement with other trade associations in Gibraltar

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# To End, what are we excited about ?

1. Home to the World's Leading Remote Gambling Operators
2. Internationally recognised and respected
3. Dynamic and vibrant industry committed to Gibraltar
4. New dawn for Gibraltar

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