

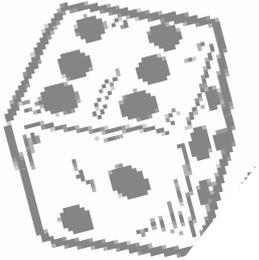
INVITATION

The 1st Gambling Policy Conference: Global Prospects, Nordic Perspectives

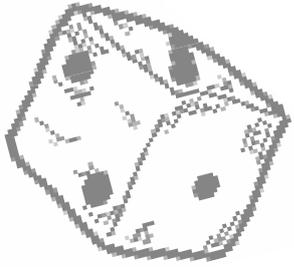
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Gambling policies involve a wide repertoire of governance tools. They can take a variety of shapes, concerning different kinds of gambling activities and situations. Regulations of gambling markets, of game production, provision and availability are typically justified in terms of curbing criminality, securing public funding and enhancing public health.



The Nordic countries have taken rather different routes in their gambling policies. Denmark has dismantled its gambling monopoly system, Sweden is in the process of loosening up its current monopoly system and Norway is considering the same. Finland has recently merged its three gambling monopoly operators into one big monopoly company.



The 1st Gambling Policy Conference: Global Prospects, Nordic Perspectives is a step towards establishing cooperation and a knowledge exchange in the area of gambling policies in the Nordic countries, with a global outlook. The international conference targets a broad audience of researchers, civil servants, decision-makers and civil society.

The conference takes place at the National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL), Mannerheimintie 166, Helsinki, Finland 6-7 November 2017.

Book launch

During the conference the book *Gambling, Science and Public Policy* (Babor et al., Oxford University Press) will be launched. The book, which is a collaboration between researchers from the Nordic countries and from the US, UK and Australia, presents knowledge and evidence on gambling policies.

Registration

The participation is free of charge, participants cover their own travel and accommodation. **Please note that there are limited places available! Register for the conference here:**

<https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/gamblingpolicy>

Conference publication

The scientific journal [Nordic Studies on Alcohol and Drugs \(NAD\)](#) has been part of the planning committee of the conference. The





journal is looking into possibilities for publishing a special issue on gambling policy on the basis of papers and presentations of the conference. In order to inquire into the interest among participating scholars and others in the gambling research field, a "Call for Abstract" will be posted shortly after the conference in Helsinki.

Organisers

The conference is arranged in cooperation between the Nordic Welfare Center, the National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL), the University of Helsinki Centre for Research on Addiction Control and Governance (CEACG), the Finnish Foundation for Alcohol Studies (FFAS) and the Finnish Foundation for Gaming Research.

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