



## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

**The Pavilion, Jupiters Hotel & Casino, Gold Coast  
1-3 December 2010**

### **Preliminary Notice and Call for Papers**

The Conference Organising Committee is pleased to invite proposals for oral presentations at the NAGS 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Gambling Studies Conference. NAGS is Australia's leading Gambling Studies Research Forum and our Annual Conference aims to focus on encouraging dialogue between the various sectors involved in the gambling debate. Our conferences attract and welcome national and international presentations from the full spectrum of speakers. The program seeks submission of papers/presentations from those who have made gambling a subject of scientific study and those who are working in the treatment field, gamblers, governments or governmental bodies, the gaming industry and interested public.

The theme for this year's conference is "**Searching for the silver bullet – innovations in gambling studies 2010 and beyond**" and papers/presentations that address this theme will be favourably considered for inclusion in the Conference program.

Guidelines for the submission of papers are provided below. Please note that all presentations will be listed in the Conference program.

#### **General Information**

Papers are invited and are usually of 30 minutes duration (20-25 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for questions), but a limited number of longer workshop presentations are also invited. Prospective presenters need only submit an abstract (250 words or less) for consideration and the Program Subcommittee will select those papers that will be accepted for inclusion in the Conference program. Submission of an abstract for consideration is not a guarantee of acceptance.

Selection of papers by the Working Group will be partially determined by its requirement to:

- Achieve balance in the number of papers presented under each theme or topic
- Limit multiple presentations from the same presenter/institution if this appears to lead to repetition or an inequitable distribution of presentation opportunities
- Ensure the range and diversity of the Association's interests are addressed

## **Selection Criteria**

The following criteria will be used as the basis for selection of papers for inclusion in the Conference.

### **Essential Criteria:**

- Are received by the due date of **31<sup>st</sup> July 2010**
- Comply with instructions for completion of abstracts

### **Highly Desirable Criteria:**

Preference will be given to those papers which:

- Reflect scientific, scholarly work, written with clarity and coherence
- Contribute to scholarship and/or new or innovative practice
- Represent complete or substantially complete work (literature reviews and progress reports are not acceptable. Preference will be given to papers that discuss outcomes or results from research or program evaluations rather than merely outlines of future work (unless it is particularly innovative).
- Reflect new and innovative thought on the subject matter with an underpinning theoretical framework
- Reflect appropriate application of research methodology and/or conceptual framework
- Will be submitted in full by 31 January 2011 for publication in the NAGS Conference Proceedings
- **Please note that abstracts that do not conform to the preferred format will not be accepted.**

## **Submission Details**

Submissions must:

- Be received electronically, either by disk or via email to:  
'National Association for Gambling Studies' Conference Abstracts, Ms Mary Marquass, Jupiters Gold Coast, PO Box 1515, Broadbeach, Qld 4218, Australia. Or email **conference@nags.org.au**
- Comply with the instructions on the Abstract Submission Form

The Working Group's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Abstracts must be submitted with the Abstract Submission form available on the website. The deadline for submission of abstracts is **31<sup>st</sup> July 2010**.

All authors will be notified in late August whether their paper has been accepted for inclusion in the Conference program.

## **Peer Review Opportunity**

All papers received in full for the conference proceedings in January 2011 will be reviewed by the current editors of Gambling Research, the Association's peer-reviewed journal. Papers that are considered to be of a standard sufficient for formal publication will be identified. Authors will be contacted and invited to submit the papers to Gambling Research for full peer review. To be considered, such papers must not have been previously submitted, or published, in other peer reviewed journals.

## **Publication of PowerPoint Presentations**

All PowerPoint presentations will be published on the NAGS website. If presenters do **not** want this happen, they will be asked to contact the conference organisers by email or during the conference.

### **For all Prospective Presenters**

Any queries should be directed to **conference@nags.org.au**

All presenters must register and pay in full the conference registration fee before the early registration deadline to ensure inclusion in the final program.

**NAGS 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
**ANNUAL CONFERENCE, GOLD COAST 2010**  
**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM**

Please complete this page electronically. Send with your submission (abstract and bio) which will be accepted by email to: **conference@nags.org.au**

Your submission must comprise a single A4 page, Times New Roman single space 12 font, justified text, and include:

- Title of Paper (Times New Roman, 14 font, upper case, bold)
- All authors listed with presenting author underlined (Times New Roman, 12 font bold)
- Abstract of 250 words or less (no indents, line space between paragraphs)
- 50 word biography of presenting author (no indents, line space between paragraphs)

**Presenting Author/Contact Person**

**Title:** Prof / Dr / Mr / Mrs / Ms (please circle)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organisation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/Suburb:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Post**

**Code/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Country:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Facsimile:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Presentation:** \_\_\_\_\_

An electronic version of my paper presentation will  / will not  be available for inclusion in the Conference proceedings (provided to Conference Committee before 31 January 2011).

**PREFERRED PRESENTATION TYPE:**

(The Committee cannot guarantee all presentation types will be included)

Presentation (30 mins)

Poster

90 min workshop

½ day workshop

**AUDIO/VISUAL**

**REQUIREMENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** Receipt of abstracts will be acknowledged by e-mail. All authors will be notified whether their submission has been selected for inclusion in the Conference program. Full details regarding the preparation of completed conference papers will be provided at that time.

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All presenters are required to fund their own travel and accommodation to the Conference and pay Conference registration fees.