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# NEWSLETTER



### FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

#### FEATURED INFORMATION

PODCAST: "THE NEW FACE OF ONLINE GAMES"



The HERMES research team and the Research Chair on Gambling launched its new podcast series titled, "The New Face of Online Games." The series explores the emerging nature of hybrid games that lie at the boundaries of gambling and video gaming. You can listen and subscribe to the podcast on Simplecast, iTunes and Spotify or find it on the new HERMES's website.

NEWS FACTSHEET: COVID-19 AND GAMBLING: MARKETING AND SOCIAL MEDIA A new factsheet titled "COVID-19 and Gambling: Marketing and Social Media" is now available online. This factsheet was prepared by the Research Chair on Gambling Studies in collaboration with l'université Laval.



#### NEWS FROM THE INTERACTIVE SYMPOSIUM 2021

The Interactive Symposium 2021 unravelled successfully from May 10 to May 13, 2021 and hosted more than 150 participants from three continents. The recordings of the symposium will be available shortly on the Research Chair on Gambling's website.

-The Organizing Committee

#### EDWARD SNOWDEN:

WHAT I LEARNED FROM ONLINE GAMING – PLAYING FOR AND AGAINST MASS SURVEILLANCE On May 13, 2021, whistleblower and cybersecurity expert Edward Snowden presented on the relationship between digital games and mass surveillance. The closing conference moderated by Radio-Canada journalist Azeb Wolde-Giorghis welcomed over 1,500 participants. The recording of Mr. Snowden's presentation will be available soon for viewing on the Research Chair on Gambling's website and as an open access video on YouTube.

## ASYNCHRONOUS PRESENTATION AWARDS

Congratulations to Jean-Philippe Laforge, Spencer Murch (PhD) and Antoine Lemay (left to right) for their award for their asynchronous presentations during the Interactive Symposium.







#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**French** M., **Tardif**, M., **Kairouz**, S., **Savard**, A.-C. (2021) A Governmentality of Online Gambling: Quebec's Contested Internet Gambling Website Blocking Provisions. Canadian Journal of Law and Society **(check online)** 

#### KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

Kairouz, S. & Van Mourik, V. (2021, April). <u>Mieux comprendre les jeux de hasard et d'argent (JHA)</u> en période de pandémie. Invited speaker at the Midi-conference: Institut universitaire sur les dépendances (IUD), virtual.

Kairouz, S. & Savard, A.-C. (2021, February). <u>COVID-19 et jeux de hasard et d'argent : impacts, transformations et réflexions</u>. Invited speaker at the Midi-webinaires edition spéciale: CRI Pandémie, virtual.

#### **NEWS FROM THE GAMBLING FIELD**

#### Funding for **E-GAMES** Canada

Congratulations to our researchers for receiving new funding from the Fonds de recherche du Québec: Société et culture (FRQ-SC) on the E-GAMES Canada project. The E-GAMES Canada project aims to produce the first free-to-play (F2P) gaming portrait in Canada.

#### Examining lottery play and risk among young people in Great Britain

A new report titled "Examining lottery play and risk among young people in Great Britain" examines the use of lottery and scratch cards among people aged 16 to 24 years old. The report also considers mental health in relation to gambling behaviours and problems.

#### **ENIGM Project**

A first publication by the "Société d'entraide et d'action psychologique" (SEDAP) titled "Zoom 'Recherches'" presents the first results of a study conducted in France from 2019 to 2020. The study examined the impact of winning on gamblers who participated in activities such as scratch cards, raffles, slot machines, and other casino games excluding poker. For more information or to read the publication, visit the ENIGM project <u>website</u>.

#### CONFERENCES

The <u>Canadian Psychological Association</u> (CPA) Convention will be held virtually from June 7-25, 2021.

The <u>National Conference on Gambling Addiction and Responsible Gambling</u> will be held virtually July 14-15 and 21-22, 2021.

The 11th <u>International Conference on Addictive Disorders and Alcoholism</u> will be held virtually from July 22-23, 2021.

The <u>METZ</u> conference organized by the Fédération Addiction will take held in Metz, France from September 23-24, 2021.

The **Public Health 2021** conference will be held virtually from October 6-8, 2021.

The <u>Addiction Medicine</u>, <u>Behavioural Health and Psychiatry</u> conference will be held in Orlando, Florida, United States from October 21-23, 2021.

The <u>EASG</u> conference originally set for September 7-10, 2021 has been postponed to September 6-9, 2022 and will be held in Olso, Norway.

