



# *International Gambling Studies*

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

### Gambling on the Olympics

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Papers are invited for a special issue of *International Gambling Studies* that focuses on the relationship between gambling and the Olympic Games for publication in 2012. Gambling on major sporting events is a popular activity worldwide. International changes in regulation regarding sports wagering and technological advances in Internet, PDA devices and mobile phone, coupled with electronic transfers of funds, provide an ideal opportunity for increased global participation in sports gambling. In addition, governments and gambling industry operators in many jurisdictions support sporting teams and facilities through the allocation of tax revenue or sponsorship. The 2004 Athens Games drew the International Olympic Committee's attention to gambling on track and field events resulting in rules banning athletes and others with accreditation from betting on Olympic Games and subsequent games have been carefully scrutinized for suspicious betting activity, an issue that is now as potentially damaging as doping.

Accordingly, you are invited to submit a manuscript on any theoretical, conceptual or empirical perspective related to the social, political, cultural or economic aspects of gambling in general, or sports gambling in particular, with special reference to the Olympic Games. The purpose of the Special Edition is to bring together scholarly and critically analytic articles focusing on, but not limited to, the following topics related to the Olympic Games:

- Politics of gambling in sports
- Economics of gambling
- Social, cultural, philosophical and ideological perspectives of gambling on Olympic events
- The influence of gambling on competitors and competition in sports
- Internet sports betting and government revenue
- Internet sports betting and the law
- Corruption in betting practices
- Media and its role in gambling
- Marketing of gambling
- Historical perspective on gambling on the Olympics

Authors are invited to submit a preliminary abstract for comment to the Special Edition Editors Alex Blaszczynski & Sally Gainsbury ([igs@psych.usyd.edu.au](mailto:igs@psych.usyd.edu.au)). Final papers should be submitted online at the *International Gambling Studies* ScholarOne Manuscript site (<http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/rigs>) by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Articles around 6,000 words should be in English and conform to the APA reference style. All authors must confirm at submission that they take full responsibility for the scientific content of the article and that the manuscript is not also under consideration with another journal or previously published (including reports freely available on the Internet). Submissions will be subject to a blind review. Authors should refer to the author's guide on the *International Gambling Studies* website (<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/rigs>) for full details on manuscript submission.

*International Gambling Studies* seeks to be a leading voice for analysis and research, presenting work on the theory, method, practice and history of gambling and encourage the application of perspectives from all sciences and social sciences as well as integrating industry and regulatory viewpoints. It aims to enhance the public relevance of gambling studies while contributing to new developments at the cutting edge of theory and method and appeal to a wide readership.

Inquiries about the submission of manuscripts should be directed to the Special Edition Editors Alex Blaszczynski & Sally Gainsbury: email - [igs@psych.usyd.edu.au](mailto:igs@psych.usyd.edu.au)