

PRESS STATEMENT

We hereby wish to inform members of the media that, at the recent meeting of the International Association of Gambling Regulators (IAGR) held in Scottsdale, Arizona, the Chairperson of the Eastern Cape Gambling and Betting Board, Adv Joseph Lukwago-Mugerwa was elected to the Steering Committee of the IAGR.

The IAGR consists of representatives from gaming regulatory organizations throughout the world having 75 regulatory bodies from 26 countries as members. The mission of IAGR is to advance the effectiveness and efficiency of gaming regulation by providing:

- a forum in which gambling regulators can meet, exchange views and information, and discuss policy issues among themselves and with representatives of the international gaming industry;
- a means of fostering cooperation between gaming regulators in the performance of their official duties; and
- a central point of contact for inquiries from governments, gaming regulatory agencies and personnel, and representatives of the international gaming industry.

The Steering Committee is the Governing Committee of the IAGR.

The Eastern Cape Gambling and Betting Board is particularly proud of Adv Lukwago-Mugerwa's appointment as it not only shows the esteem in which he personally is held in International gambling regulatory circles but also indicates the high regard in which gambling regulation in South Africa in general and the Eastern Cape in particular, is held internationally. As the IAGR has as members well known and established jurisdictions such as Nevada, New Jersey, Queensland and Victoria, Advocate Lukwago-Mugerwa's appointment also indicates the progress the Eastern Cape Gambling and Betting Board is making towards achieving its goal of being a world class gambling regulator.

From a country with a largely self-regulated industry as recently as 1996 South Africa has advanced to the point where three of the IAGR Steering Committee are South Africans whilst Mr Andrea Wilsenach is a former CEO of the Mpumalanga Gaming Board. The Secretary of the IAGR is also a South African.

The full IAGR Steering Committee are:

- a) Thomas Auriemma: Director: New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement (President)
- b) David Ford: Executive Director: Queensland Office of Gaming Regulation
- c) Peter Dean: Chairperson: Gaming Board for Great Britain
- d) Prof. Linda De Vries: Chairperson: Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board
- e) Chris Fismer: Chairperson: National Gambling Board of South Africa

- f) Kenyatta Gibson: Chairman: Gaming Board for the Commonwealth of the Bahamas
- g) Atle Hamar: Director: Norwegian Gaming Board
- h) Adv. Joseph Lukwago-Mugerwa: Chairperson: Eastern Cape Gambling and Betting Board
- i) Keith Manch: Director: Gaming and Censorship Regulation: Department of Internal Affairs: New Zealand
- j) Scott Sherer: Member: Nevada Gaming Control Board
- k) Andre' Wilsenach: CEO: Alderney Gaming Control Board

The Secretary is Adv. Alicia Gibson, the Legal Manager of the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board.

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