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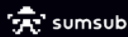
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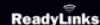
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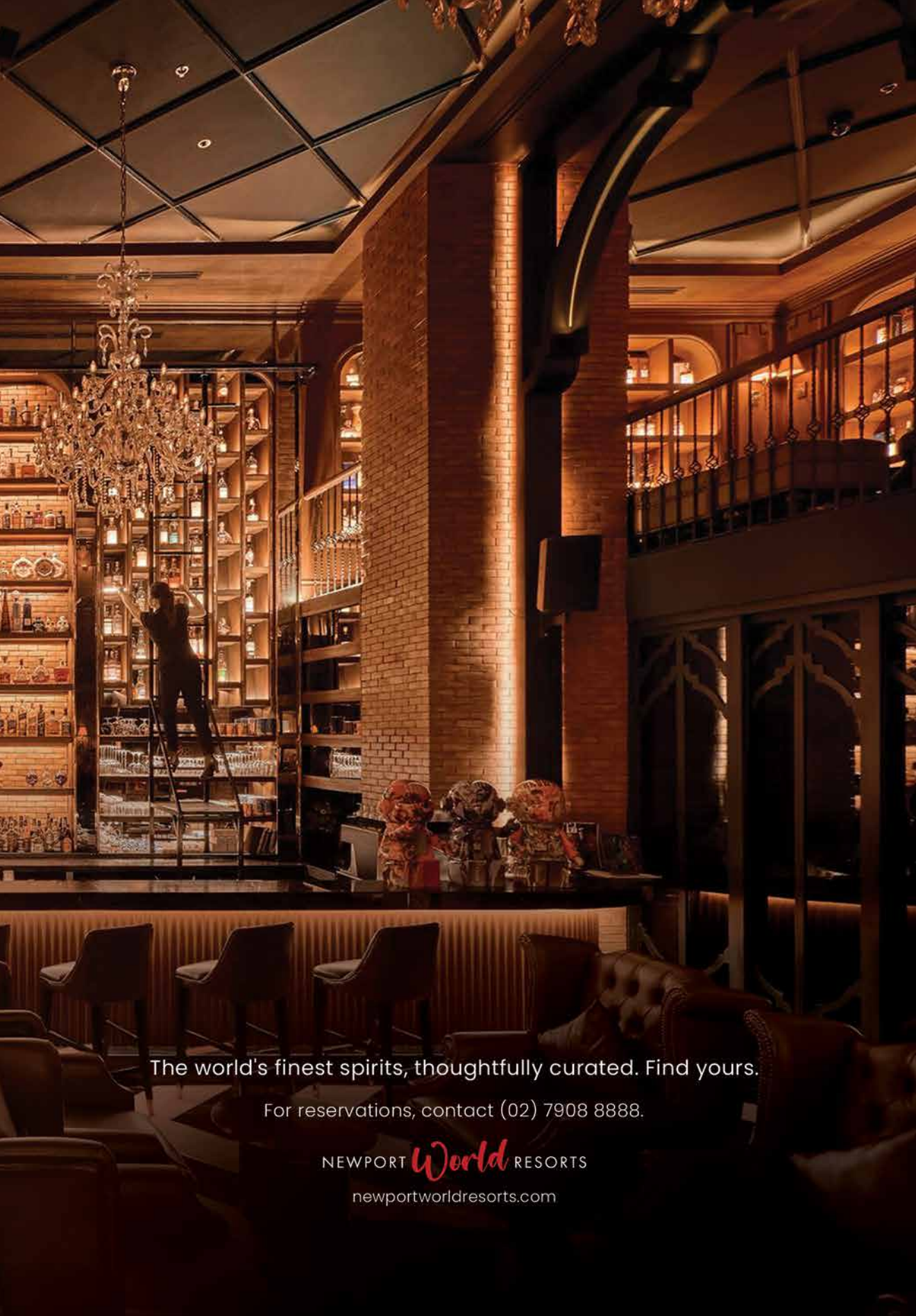


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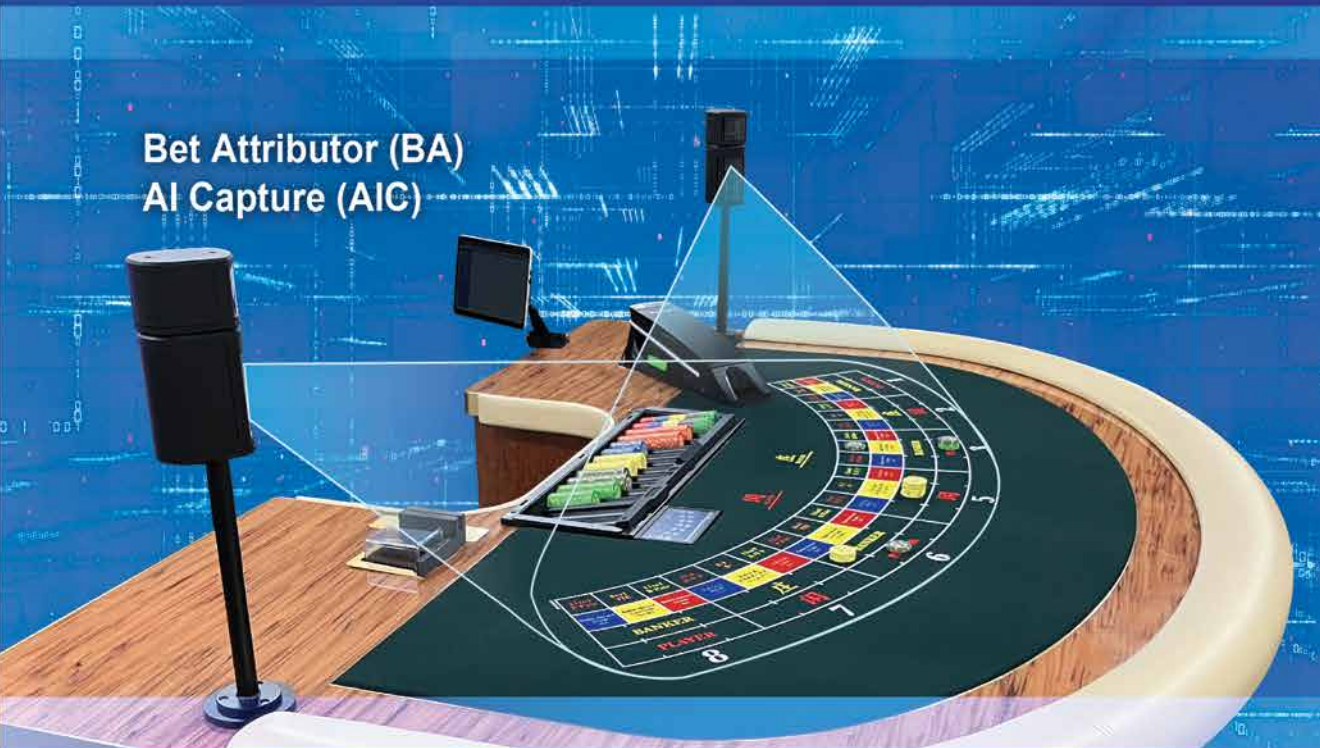


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Chairman and CEO
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It is my pleasure to welcome all participants, exhibitors, speakers and guests to IAG EXPO 2026 in Manila.

IAG EXPO has emerged as one of the Asia-Pacific region's premier gaming and entertainment industry gatherings, bringing together leaders, innovators, regulators and stakeholders to exchange insights, explore opportunities, and build partnerships that will help shape the future of our sector.

The gaming landscape continues to evolve rapidly, driven by technological advancement, changing consumer expectations, and new business opportunities. As we embrace this transformation, it is essential that innovation is matched by responsibility, integrity, and a commitment to sustainable growth. Events such as IAG EXPO play a vital role in fostering collaboration and encouraging meaningful discussions on the opportunities and challenges facing our industry.

The Philippines is proud to host this important gathering. As our gaming and entertainment sector continues to grow, PAGCOR remains committed to promoting a regulatory environment that supports investment, innovation and responsible development while ensuring that the benefits of growth contribute to national progress and community development.

At PAGCOR, we remain committed to fostering an environment that promotes legitimate investment, encourages innovation and upholds the highest standards of integrity and responsibility. We recognize that the long-term success of our sector depends not only on economic performance but also on our collective commitment to sustainability, good governance and social responsibility.

WELCOME MESSAGE

IAG EXPO reflects the increasingly interconnected nature of our industry and the importance of working together to drive progress. By bringing together diverse perspectives and expertise, it creates opportunities to strengthen partnerships, share best practices and advance the highest standards of excellence across the region.

I commend the organizers of IAG EXPO for creating a platform that encourages dialogue, collaboration, and innovation. I also extend my best wishes to all participants and hope this event inspires new ideas, meaningful connections and lasting opportunities for growth.

On behalf of PAGCOR, welcome to Manila and to IAG EXPO 2026.

Mabuhay, and I wish you a productive and successful event.



Alejandro H. Tengco
Chairman and CEO
Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation



ANDREW W SCOTT

Vice Chairman and CEO
Inside Asian Gaming

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to **IAG EXPO 2026** for what promises to be our biggest and most ambitious IAG event yet.

IAG EXPO has always been about bringing the Asian gaming and integrated resort industry together, and this year we have built an even broader program around that simple idea.

Over the course of the week, we will bring together industry leaders, regulators, operators, suppliers, technology companies and other stakeholders through a series of events including the **CiG iDEA Summit**, **IAG Academy Summit**, **IAG Academy IR Awards**, **The Regulators Forum** and of course **Manila After Dark**.

Each event has its own character and purpose, but collectively they reflect what IAG has always tried to do: connect the industry, encourage the exchange of ideas and provide a platform for the people shaping the future of gaming and integrated resorts across Asia-Pacific.

There is certainly plenty to talk about.

The Asian gaming industry is changing at a remarkable pace. Established markets are evolving, new markets are emerging, technology is transforming the way we operate and engage with customers, and regulators, operators and suppliers are all navigating an increasingly complex environment.

WELCOME MESSAGE

The Philippines sits right at the heart of this activity. It has established itself as one of the region's most exciting gaming markets, with a thriving integrated resort sector, a rapidly developing online gaming industry and a growing reputation as a destination for investment and innovation.

That makes Manila the perfect home for our week of events.

More than anything, however, these events are about people. They are an opportunity to meet old friends, make new ones, exchange ideas, establish partnerships and have the conversations that help move our industry forward. I would like to thank all of our sponsors, partners, speakers, delegates and guests for supporting IAG EXPO 2026 and helping make this week possible. I would also like to thank the entire IAG team for the enormous amount of work that has gone into putting everything together.

We have created a week that offers something for everyone, so please make the most of it.

We are delighted to have you with us, and I hope you have a fantastic week.



Andrew W Scott
Vice Chairman and CEO
Inside Asian Gaming

SCHEDULE

MON 14 SEP 2026		
Time	Event	Location
10:00 to 17:00	 iDEA CIG iDEA Summit	Hilton Ballroom
18:30 to 21:30	 MAD 37 iag EXPO OFFICIAL WELCOME EVENT	The Grand Bar and Lounge

TUE 15 SEP 2026		
Time	Event	Location
10:00 to 16:00	 iag ACADEMY SUMMIT	Hilton Ballroom
18:30 to 22:00	 iag ACADEMY IR AWARDS	Marriott Manila Ballroom

WED 16 SEP 2026		
Time	Event	Location
10:00 to 16:30	 iag ACADEMY SUMMIT	Hilton Ballroom

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ABOUT THE IAG EXPO

Inside Asian Gaming was founded in 2005 and since then has accumulated significant experience in attending B2B gaming industry trade events all over the world – from exhibitions to thought leadership gatherings to networking events, and more. Not only has IAG played a part in these events as a visitor or in many cases an exhibitor, it has regularly helped organize key components of them, as well as organizing around 100 of its own thought leadership and social events over the years.

The IAG EXPO was born from this experience and with the direct encouragement of key industry participants – operators, suppliers and others.

In November 2021, IAG held an early precursor to the IAG EXPO when it launched the IAG Academy IR Awards. The event, held during the COVID-19 pandemic, comprised a simple ceremony in Macau honoring the industry's finest. There were no awards in 2022 due to the pandemic reaching its crescendo in Asia but in 2023 the event moved to Manila, Philippines as part of a broader series of events comprising the IAG Academy IR Awards, the inaugural IAG Academy Summit and networking social Manila After Dark, which doubled as a welcome event.

At the end of the 2024 event, IAG announced that the entire festival was to be rebranded as the IAG EXPO and from the following year would include the addition of the IAG Exhibition, with shell scheme booths and raw space exhibition stands, ensuring a full suite of industry offerings in the heart of Asia's biggest growth market.

In 2025, the IAG EXPO returned to Manila, now established as a true B2B festival of the Asia-Pacific gaming industry, comprising Manila After Dark, the IAG Academy Summit, the IAG Academy IR Awards and the IAG Exhibition – as well as The Regulators Forum, an invitation-only day designed for all Asia-Pacific region gaming regulators and a limited number of representatives from selected suppliers and operators directly involved in regulatory matters, such as compliance, enforcement and monitoring.

In 2026, the IAG EXPO returns to Manila, once again comprising Manila After Dark, the IAG Academy Summit, the IAG Academy IR Awards and The Regulators Forum – as well as a new addition, the CiG iDEA Summit. This new Summit – created at the encouragement of PAGCOR – acknowledges the role the online industry plays in the broader Asia-Pacific and Philippines markets, and examines the changes that are reshaping gaming in the Asia-Pacific region. In 2026, the IAG Exhibition will be paused for one year due to venue commitments for the Philippines Chairmanship of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) political forum, and delays to ASEAN due to the Iran crisis.



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The invitation-only IAG EXPO Leaders Program is designed for senior executives and industry leaders with significant decision-making authority and influence across the Asian gaming and hospitality sectors. Participants will enjoy a range of exclusive benefits designed to make their participation in IAG EXPO more comfortable, productive and rewarding, while providing valuable opportunities for networking, knowledge sharing and engagement with fellow industry leaders.

The IAG EXPO Leaders Program continues in 2026 as part of the broader IAG EXPO program and will return in 2027 alongside the IAG Exhibition.

For more information about the IAG EXPO Leaders Program, contact Scott Messinger at sjm@asgam.com or Cynthia Cheang at cc@asgam.com.

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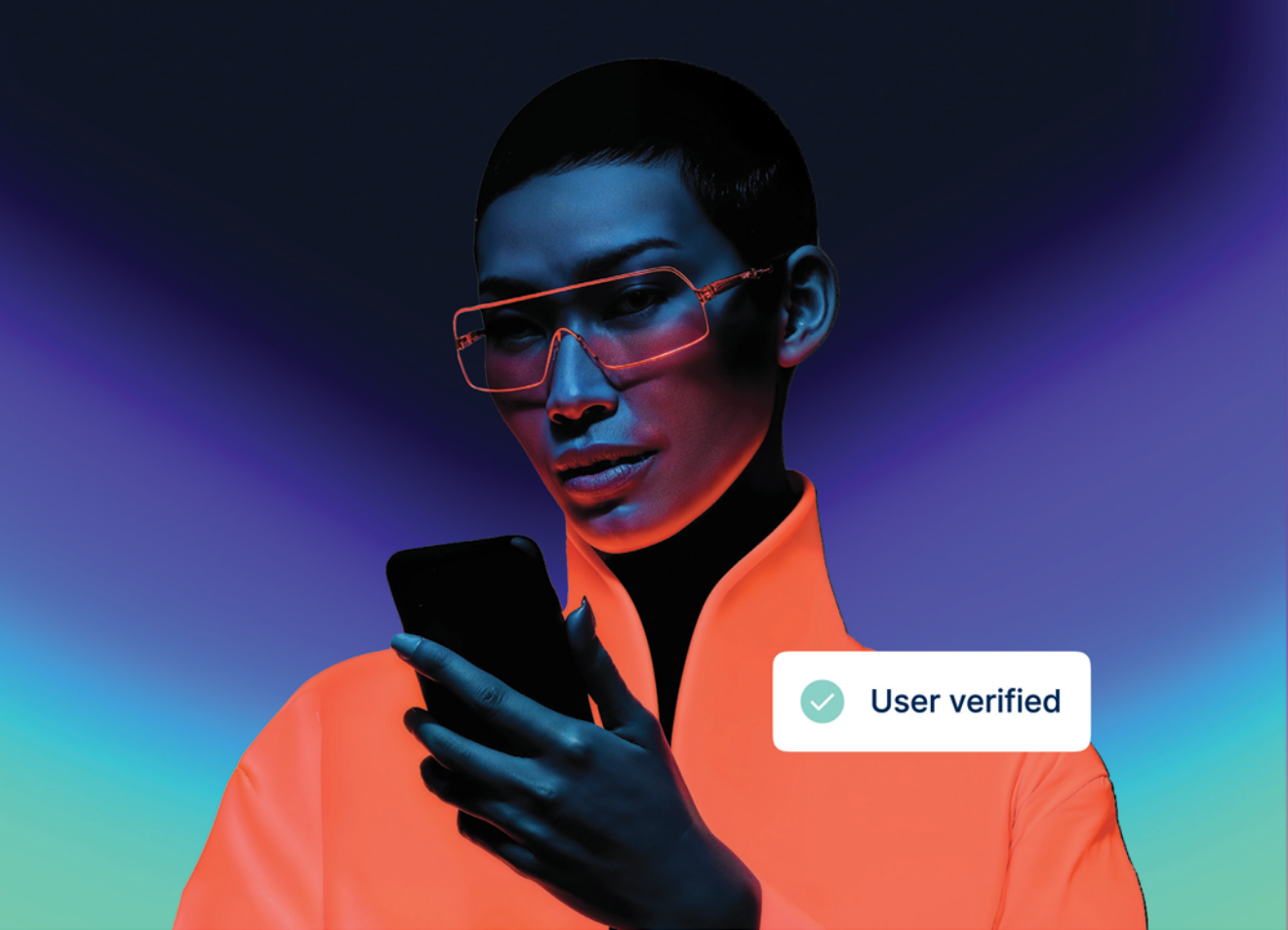


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Curated for senior industry stakeholders, the CiG iDEA Summit provides insights and strategic analysis regarding recent policy and regulatory developments and what these signal for operators, suppliers, investors and regulators moving forward, especially against the current backdrop of significant changes in the Philippines market and the imminent launch of igaming in New Zealand.

Organized by Complete iGaming, the event features a carefully selected line-up of expert speakers addressing market structure, compliance, sustainability, technology and growth dynamics, anchored by a keynote address from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR).

Timed to coincide with a pivotal period for the online gaming sector, the CiG iDEA Summit recognizes the growing emphasis among jurisdictions on regulatory clarity, market stability and long-term industry development. More than a conference, it is a platform for intelligence exchange, strategic insight and industry alignment at a defining moment for Asia-Pacific iGaming.

SUMMIT AT A GLANCE

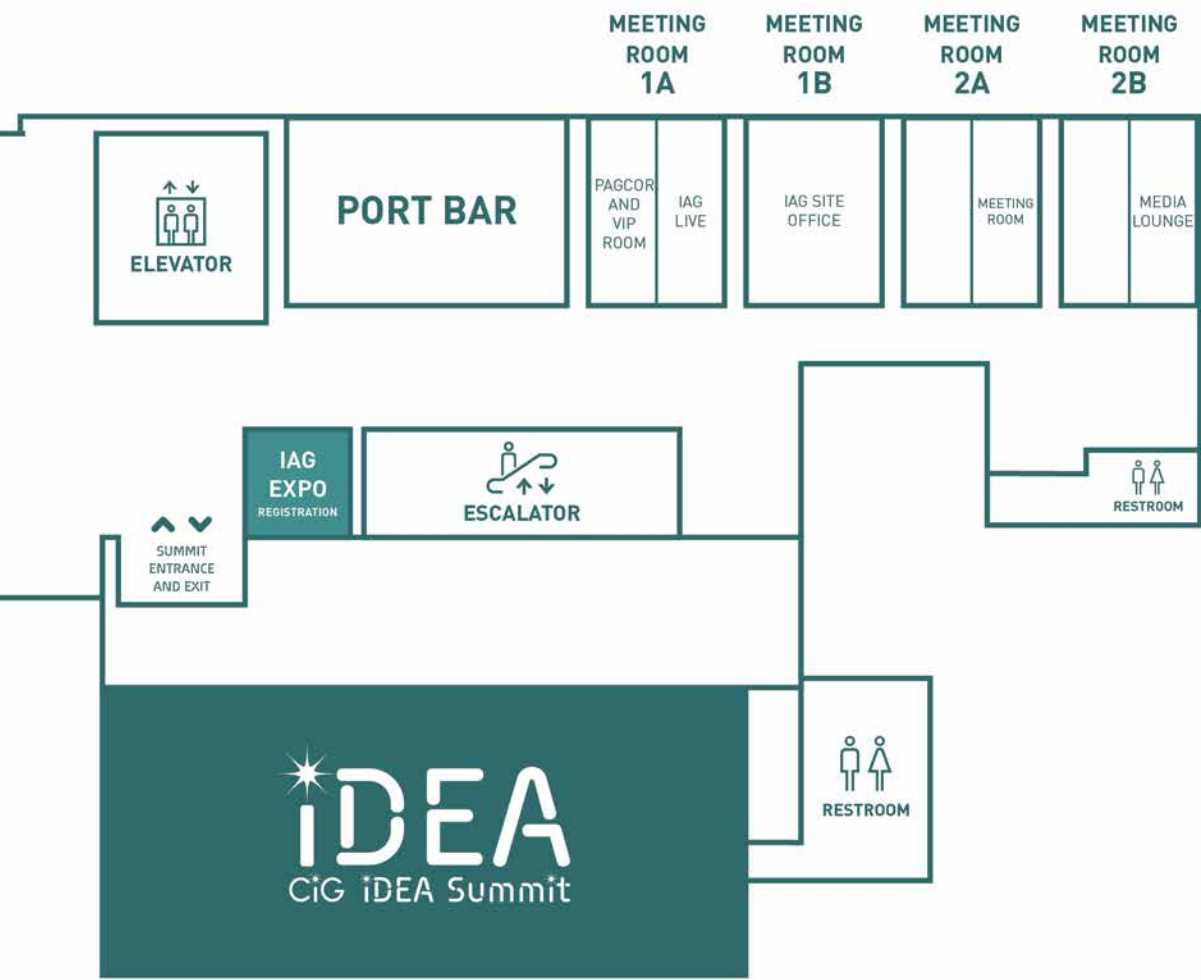


LOCATIONS
Summit: Hilton Ballroom
Summit networking lunch: Kusina Sea Kitchens

MON 14 SEP 2026
Summit hours: 10:00 to 17:00
Networking lunch hours: 13:05 to 14:20

Note Summit times may be subject to adjustment. Please check on site.

FLOOR PLAN



09:30 to 10:00	30 mins	Networking
Welcome networking coffee and registration		
10:00 to 10:05	5 mins	Remarks
WELCOME AND KEYNOTE INTRODUCTION		
ANDREW W SCOTT Vice Chairman and CEO, Complete iGaming		
10:05 to 10:25	20 mins	Keynote
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JESSA MARIZ R. FERNANDEZ Assistant Vice President, Remote Operations and Ancillary Services Department, PAGCOR		
10:25 to 10:30	5 mins	Remarks
SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME		
KELSEY WILHELM Senior Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming		

10:30 to 11:15

45 mins

Fireside chat

HOW TO ENTER THE PHILIPPINES? WHY TO ENTER THE PHILIPPINES?

This Q&A style session will see a deep dive discussion with Tonet Quiogue – Founder and CEO of specialist gambling law firm Arden Consult – exploring PAGCOR's new regulatory framework for online gaming. The session will explore how and why to enter the market and key things industry participants – operators, suppliers and others – need to know.

- **BEN BLASCHKE (moderator)**
APAC Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming
- **MARIE ANTONETTE "TONET" QUIOGUE**
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11:15 to 11:35	20 mins	Networking
Morning networking coffee		
11:35 to 12:20	45 mins	Panel
LOCALIZING FOR SUCCESS IN THE PHILIPPINES <i>This session will explore why localized content is vital in the Philippines, taking into account the challenges even established suppliers have faced and what they have learned about the market from their experiences.</i>		
• KELSEY WILHELM (moderator) Senior Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming • BRIAN NG President, PhilWeb Corp • EVAN SPYTMA Chief Executive Officer, Casino Plus • ERICK SU Chief Global Growth Officer, DigiPlus Interactive Corp		
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12:20 to 13:05

45 mins

Panel

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The Philippines' integrated resorts operators are taking the opportunity to diversify their offering by going online, but there are many different ways to do so. Some prefer to do it all in-house, while others utilize an external vendor or partner to manage their online platform for them. This session explores the pros and cons of each with tangible lessons from those in the thick of the action.

- **BEN BLASCHKE (moderator)**
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- **LAURENT FRESNEL**
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- **MARK GILBERT**
Vice President, Online Gaming Operations, Newport World Resorts
- **SHAUN McCAMLEY**
Founder and Chairman, GameWorkz

13:05 to 14:20

75 mins

Networking

Networking lunch (Kusina Sea Kitchens, Hilton Manila Newport World Resorts)

14:20 to 15:05	45 mins	Panel
FUTURE-PROOFING THE INDUSTRY <i>Asia’s regulated online gaming industry, while still immature, is in a period of growth with the Philippines and New Zealand among the leading jurisdictions in this regard. But ensuring the long-term health of the industry will always be more important than short-term gain. This session looks at how operators and suppliers are developing a sustainable industry, and what more work needs to be done.</i> • ANDREW W SCOTT (moderator) Chief Executive Officer, Complete iGaming • JESSA MARIZ R. FERNANDEZ Assistant Vice President, Remote Operations and Ancillary Services Department, PAGCOR • HARMEN BRENNINKMEIJER Founder & Executive Chairman, NYCE		
15:05 to 15:25	20 mins	Networking
Afternoon networking coffee		
15:25 to 16:10	45 mins	Panel
THE REST OF ASIA <i>While the Philippines currently leads the way when it comes to licensed iGaming, where does the rest of Asia sit? Which jurisdictions are developing their industry further and is there potential for further growth elsewhere?</i> • KELSEY WILHELM (moderator) Senior Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming • SAMUEL GAUCI Senior Foreign Lawyer, Addisons • ANDREW HANNAN Director – Industry & External Affairs, Entain Australia & New Zealand • DANNY TOO Vice President – Sales, MediaPro		

16:10 to 16:55	45 mins	Panel
SUPPLIERS AND SPECIAL CLASS BPOs <i>Special Class BPOs have emerged as a vital part of the Philippines' regulated online gaming ecosystem, but what exactly are they and why are they considered "special"? This session explores their unique role within the global gaming infrastructure, their regulatory framework and why they have become increasingly important to the Philippines' gaming industry.</i> • MARIE ANTONETTE "TONET" QUIOGUE (moderator) Founder and CEO, Arden Consult • ROB DOWLING Chief Executive Officer, The Conexus Group • KRIS GALLOWAY Head of iGaming Product, Sumsud • PIA GUTIERREZ Head of Philippine Operations, Evoke		
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SUMMIT CHAIRMAN



**Kelsey
Wilhelm**

Senior Contributing Editor
Inside Asian Gaming

REMARKS: SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

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REMARKS: SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING

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Kelsey Wilhelm arrived in Macau as the SAR's casino monopoly was broken, growing up amongst the noise of the construction of the city's integrated resorts. Casinos were the main social meeting place and the intriguing conversations he had with casino management, hotel and construction execs, and friends entering the industry, sparked a curiosity to know the internal workings of the operations that caused Macau's boom.

He started covering gaming while still in university, initially at a daily business newspaper and later at numerous magazines, shifting early on from journalist to Editor-in-Chief. This prompted a shift into television, where he interviewed top gaming CEOs and celebrities, including on the talk show that he led.

After COVID, he began to focus exclusively on gaming, branching out from land-based into the online segment which he still finds fascinating. He now lends his time to both IAG and Complete iGaming as Senior Contributing Editor – keeping a finger on the pulse of both worlds which are now intersecting more than ever.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Ben
Blaschke**

APAC Contributing Editor
Complete iGaming

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Ben began his career as a sports journalist in Sydney in 1999, working for a number of leading news publications before his interest was piqued by the TV poker shows that frequented the airwaves late at night. He soon found himself not only playing the game but writing about it too – taking on the role of Editor for *PokerNews Australasia* and subsequently visiting Macau for the very first time in 2008.

He was appointed Managing Editor of *World Gaming Magazine* in February 2013, subsequently overseeing O MEDIA's editorial catalogue including *High Life*, *Hengqin Record* and more. He was appointed Chief Content Officer in 2017.

In 2016, Ben became Managing Editor of *Inside Asian Gaming* and has spent his years since then delving ever more deeply into the business of gaming. He was instrumental in the launch of the industry-leading daily e-newsletter *IAG Breakfast Briefing* in April 2017.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Harmen
Brenninkmeijer**

**Founder and Executive
Chairman**
NYCE

PANEL: FUTURE-PROOFING THE INDUSTRY

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Harmen, a seasoned leader in the gaming industry with over 30 years of experience, is a serial entrepreneur and investor with a proven track record in technology development, manufacturing and distribution. He has significantly impacted the gaming landscape across more than 75 countries, with a particular focus on emerging markets. Harmen is recognized for his innovative contributions to the industry, including pioneering concepts in jackpots, game design and casino monitoring systems.

Currently, Harmen is the executive chairman at NYCE International, a publicly listed company on the Aquis Exchange, which represents over 40 leading gambling companies while actively developing strategic technical ventures. NYCE International goes beyond traditional representation by taking a stake in promising ventures, creating equity value alongside product representations. This unique approach leverages Harmen's deep industry knowledge and network to connect industry-leading companies with operators worldwide, fostering innovation and growth.

Throughout his career, Harmen has been instrumental in the success of over 25 companies in the technology, distribution and operations sectors. He has collaborated with major industry players like IGT, Novomatic, Playboy Casino and many others, solidifying his position as a key influencer in the gaming world. His efforts have led to improved industry practices, including assisting governments in optimizing gaming tax revenues and establishing effective regulatory frameworks.

Further demonstrating his commitment to industry advancement, Harmen founded the Gaming Incubator in 2007, investing in over 20 technology-focused companies. He is the former Founding Chairman of the European Gaming Organization.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Rob
Dowling**

Chief Executive Officer
The Conexus Group

PANEL: SUPPLIERS AND SPECIAL CLASS BPOs

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Rob is Founder and CEO of The Conexus Group, a platform of specialist professional services businesses focused on the global gaming industry.

Over more than 25 years, he has built and co-founded a group of recognized specialist businesses including Pentasia, iGaming Academy, Partis and Incline, spanning talent, learning and development, marketing, consulting, executive advisory and M&A.

Today, Pentasia has built on its 25-year leadership in specialist recruitment to become a broader capability platform, combining talent expertise, specialist advisory and proprietary intelligence to help gaming companies build capability and make better decisions. Partis complements this by working with businesses at pivotal strategic moments, combining expert advice with hands-on execution to deliver complex strategic outcomes, while Incline provides specialist marketing expertise.

As CEO, Rob focuses on the vision, strategy and long-term development of Conexus, connecting relationships, expertise, intelligence and technology across the Group. His ambition is to build the most trusted professional services and intelligence platform in the industry, helping gaming companies become stronger, make better decisions and achieve the outcomes that matter most.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Jessa Mariz R.
Fernandez**

**Assistant Vice President,
Remote Operations
and Ancillary Services
Department
PAGCOR**

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Jessa Mariz Raymundo Fernandez serves as Assistant Vice President for the Remote Operations and Ancillary Services Department and Concurrent Officer-In-Charge of the Electronic Gaming Licensing Department at the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR). Throughout her career at PAGCOR, she has held key leadership positions, including Assistant Vice President for the former Offshore Gaming and Licensing Department and the Corporate Secretary Support and Compliance.

Prior to her role at PAGCOR, she built extensive legal and public sector experience working as a Public Attorney for the Public Attorney's Office, as well as serving in various capacities, including Technical Assistant and Intelligence Officer, at the Bureau of Immigration.

A member of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, she holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from San Beda University College of Law and a Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics from the University of the Philippines.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Laurent
Fresnel**

Founder & CEO
Syntrii

**PANEL: OUTSOURCING OR GOING IT ALONE:
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Laurent Fresnel is Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Syntrii. He brings more than 25 years of global technology leadership across casino and entertainment, with deep expertise delivering transformation inside highly regulated environments. As former Group Chief Technology & Innovation Officer at The Star Entertainment Group, he led enterprise-wide programs spanning carded play, digital wallets, cashless ecosystems, real-time financial crime detection, customer risk profiling, safer gambling, and the modernization of loyalty and marketing systems at scale.

That experience gives him a clear understanding of the technology challenges operators face as competition increasingly moves online, and an entrepreneurial instinct for using emerging technology not as an end in itself, but as the means to true customer centricity.

Laurent co-founded Syntrii on a simple observation: operators already hold the data required to compete with online-native rivals, but it sits fragmented across gaming, non-gaming, loyalty and payments systems that were never designed to speak to one another.

Syntrii was built to close that gap — providing the digital foundation for loyalty, marketing, payments and compliance in the regulated gaming sector, combining production-ready technology with the strategic expertise to shape the future of patron engagement.

He is well placed to speak to the convergence now underway in the Philippines: what land-based data can and cannot tell you about an online audience, what smart table data is actually revealing, and why marketing to a patron on their phone demands a fundamentally different model to marketing to them on the floor.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Kris
Galloway**

Head of iGaming Product
Sumsub

PANEL: SUPPLIERS AND SPECIAL CLASS BPOs

Monday 14 September, 16:10-16:55

Kris Galloway has spent 16 years in iGaming, including a combined 12 years at Flutter and Entain, long enough to have seen the industry reinvent itself several times, and long enough to know which problems are genuinely new and which have merely learned some new tricks.

Today, as Head of iGaming Product at Sumsup, Kris sits between gambling, technology, regulation and fraud. His world includes everything from verification, AML and player protection to compliance, transaction monitoring, bonus abuse, next-gen game hacks, PvP exploits, account takeovers and the increasingly creative ways bad actors find to exploit perfectly good technology.

He works with operators, regulators and industry bodies around the world, helping turn complex risks into practical conversations, dynamically considering various local factors such as tech adoption, fraud rates, crypto usage, age demographics and advertising exposure in driving the debate.

A regular speaker and moderator at international iGaming events, Kris is particularly interested in where the industry is heading next: how AI will change both fraud and fraud prevention, its impact on RG, how regulators can keep pace with technology, what regulated markets can learn from the growth of illicit operators, and how we can harness protection without making legitimate customers feel like suspects.

His approach is simple: challenge comfortable assumptions, make complicated things understandable, and never confuse “we’ve always done it this way” with a good reason to keep doing it.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Samuel
Gauci**

Senior Foreign Lawyer
Addisons

PANEL: THE REST OF ASIA

Monday 14 September, 15:25-16:10

Samuel Gauci is a Senior Foreign Lawyer for Australian law firm Addisons. Sam's background in gambling law stems over 15 years with roles with the Maltese gambling regulator, the Malta Gaming Authority, and in private practice as a senior associate with a leading Maltese law firm, prior to joining Addisons in 2019.

Sam advises and assists international land-based and online gambling operators (from startups to large companies) in various stages of their licensing and compliance requirements. He has completed secondments with multi-national gambling operators, which assists with a deeper understanding of the internal operations of gambling operators.

Furthermore, Sam's regulatory background enables him to successfully assist clients in their interactions with international and Australian gambling regulators, navigate licensing and probity requirements across the globe and address compliance matters.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Mark
Gilbert**

**Vice President, Online Gaming
Operations**
Newport World Resorts

**PANEL: OUTSOURCING OR GOING IT ALONE:
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Mark Gilbert is the VP of online gaming operations for Newport World Resorts, where he supports the strategic design and growth of the company's online gaming operations. With more than 30 years of global gaming and hospitality experience, his career began on the Las Vegas Strip and has since spanned senior roles in operations, product strategy, and analytics across the United States and Asia.

Before moving to the Philippines, Mark held leadership positions with Caesars Entertainment (Harrah's Entertainment) and Bally Technologies (now Light & Wonder). In the Philippines, he has spent over eight years working with leading B2C and B2B operators, advancing platforms, analytics, and operational excellence to strengthen the country's dynamic online gaming sector. He holds a Master's degree in Hospitality Management-Gaming Operations from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Pia
Theresa Gutierrez**

**Head of Philippines
Operations**

William Hill Group/Evoke

PANEL: SUPPLIERS AND SPECIAL CLASS BPOs

Monday 14 September, 16:10-16:55

Pia Theresa Gutierrez is a seasoned BPO leader with a diverse background spanning nearly all functions within the industry. From operations and customer support to strategy and process improvement, she has managed and optimized teams across multiple geographies and business units, giving her a deep understanding of the end-to-end service delivery ecosystem. This perspective enabled her transition from leading teams to governing entire Philippine sites – overseeing all functions and ensuring alignment with organizational objectives – allowing her to deliver sustainable operational excellence and drive strategic growth.

As Head of Philippine Operations for Evoke PLC's Shared Services Center (William Hill Group Customer Services), her mission is to drive continuous growth in the BPO industry, empower individuals to reach their full potential, and transform workplace culture in the Philippines to elevate the industry's global reputation.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Richard
Howarth**

Managing Director
GLI Asia Pacific

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Richard Howarth is the Managing Director at Gaming Laboratories International (GLI), a global leader in independent gaming testing, technical consulting, compliance assessment, and regulator training services. With a career spanning over two decades across sales, marketing, and commercial leadership, Richard brings a wealth of expertise to his role at GLI, where he oversees strategic business development for the APAC Region, including Australia, New Zealand, Macau, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, South Korea, Japan, and Cambodia. His focus is on fostering relationships with suppliers, operators, regulators, and industry bodies, and ensuring alignment with delivery teams to meet the standards and expectations of the global gaming industry.

Before joining GLI in December 2023, Richard held leadership roles across diverse industries, including gaming, hospitality, telecommunications, and technology. This included roles with IXUP Limited, Tattersall's Group, Sportingbet, and The Star Entertainment Group, where he built a track record of driving substantial growth that solidified his reputation as a results-oriented leader in high-stakes industries. He also held prominent positions at Telstra, the Australian Defence Force, and Coca-Cola, where he honed his expertise in strategic sales and commercial marketing.

Richard holds an MBA from the University of Technology Sydney and dual Bachelor's degrees in Business (Marketing) and Arts (Psychology, Sociology) from Monash University in Melbourne. A committed industry leader and advocate, he is also active in community initiatives, serving as a Crisis Support Volunteer at Lifeline.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Andrew
Hannan**

**Director –
Industry & External Affairs**
Entain Australia &
New Zealand

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Andrew leads Entain's external-facing team across Australia and New Zealand, overseeing the racing and sports industries, key partnerships, government relations, media and external communications.

His role sits at the intersection of commercial growth, stakeholder influence and management, reputation and regulatory engagement, helping Entain secure good outcomes across its commercial partners, stakeholders and the broader public landscape.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Shaun
McCamley**

Founder and Chairman
GameWorkz

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Shaun McCamley is a seasoned executive and respected figure in the global gaming and casino industry, recognized as one of the top 25 industry people to watch. With decades of experience, he has held senior leadership roles across land-based and online casino operations, guiding numerous ventures to success through strategic insight and operational excellence.

His deep expertise spans casino management, gaming operations, digital gaming and regulatory compliance. As a trusted consultant, Shaun has advised gaming operators, governments and regulatory bodies, playing a key role in optimizing operations and ensuring compliance in complex jurisdictions.

His international portfolio encompasses projects across Asia, Europe and other major gaming markets, where he has made significant contributions to the growth and evolution of the gaming industry.

Shaun is a sought-after speaker at global gaming conferences, where he shares forward-looking perspectives on industry trends, emerging technologies and best practices in player engagement and retention. His thought leadership is also reflected in numerous published articles on casino strategy and management.

Known for his leadership and innovative thinking, Shaun consistently drives transformation and embraces cutting-edge solutions to elevate gaming experiences. His ability to bridge traditional casino operations with the evolving demands of digital gaming has made him a valuable force in shaping the industry's future.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Brian
Ng**

President
PhilWeb Corp

PANEL: LOCALIZING FOR SUCCESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Monday 14 September, 11:35-12:20

Brian K Ng is President of PhilWeb Corporation, one of the pioneers of regulated electronic gaming in the Philippines. He joined PhilWeb in January 2011 as Senior Vice President for Gaming and was appointed President effective February 2020. His 15+ years with the company give him a firsthand view of the industry's evolution – from the nationwide eGames model to eBingo, gaming-machine supply, and today's online-led B2B gaming technology ecosystem.

Throughout his tenure, Brian has played a key role in guiding PhilWeb through the evolving Philippine gaming landscape. Building on the company's pioneering roots in eGames, PhilWeb expanded its footprint to include eBingo outlets and gaming technology services, broadening its presence across the regulated electronic gaming sector. This experience has given Brian a unique perspective on the evolution of the industry.

PhilWeb's legacy is rooted in the early development and nationwide expansion of regulated eGames in the Philippines. Brian has helped guide the company through successive stages of that evolution. In 2026, PhilWeb began repositioning toward an online-led, asset-light B2B model spanning online gaming platform technology, systems integration, content distribution and aggregation, and operational support for licensed operators. Recent initiatives include B2B deployments with major gaming operators and resort-linked brands. PhilWeb has also secured PAGCOR accreditation as a gaming affiliate and support service provider.

Brian combines deep operational experience with institutional knowledge of the Philippine gaming market. His career at PhilWeb spans the growth of retail electronic gaming, diversification into eBingo and machine supply, major shifts in regulation and consumer behavior, and the rapid rise of online gaming—giving him a distinctive perspective on where the industry has been and where it is heading.

SPEAKER PROFILE



Marie Antonette ("Tonet") Quiogue

Lawyer, CEO and Founder
Arden Consult International
Pte Ltd

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Marie Antonette "Tonet" Quiogue is the CEO and Founder of Arden Consult, a premier advisory firm specializing in gaming regulation, strategy, and compliance. Widely regarded as one of the Philippines' foremost authorities on gaming law, Tonet brings deep expertise across both land-based and online (iGaming) sectors, advising multinational clients on transactional, corporate, and regulatory matters within the country's complex legal environment.

Prior to establishing Arden Consult, Tonet served as co-head of the Technology, Media, and Telecommunications (TMT) practice and head of the Gaming practice at a leading Philippine law firm. She has since built a distinguished track record that includes structuring compliant joint ventures and investments, securing PAGCOR licenses and accreditations, and resolving regulatory issues with government agencies at both local and national levels. She has also played a prominent role in advancing the recognition of Special Class Business Processing Outsourcing (SCBPO) operators and represents many of the country's largest gaming companies.

Tonet's client base spans the full breadth of the industry — from casinos and gaming machine manufacturers to online gaming operators, sports betting and lottery providers, technology suppliers, and payment processors. Her counsel draws on a thorough understanding of compliance standards across heavily regulated jurisdictions, including Nevada, Malta, Australia, and the United Kingdom. A trusted adviser to regulators, operators, and investors alike, Tonet continues to contribute to the industry's development as a lecturer, author, and resource person on gaming law, policy, and TMT regulation throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

SPEAKER PROFILE



Andrew W Scott

Chief Executive Officer
Complete Media Group
**Vice Chairman and Chief
Executive Officer**
Complete iGaming

REMARKS: WELCOME AND KEYNOTE INTRODUCTION

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Andrew is a gaming industry expert, media publisher, commentator and advisor. Entering the gaming industry 40 years ago, he has lived in Macau for 17 years. He is Vice Chairman and CEO of Inside Asian Gaming (IAG) and CEO of parent company COMPLETE MEDIA GROUP.

IAG publishes a monthly magazine and a daily email newsletter sent to around 28,000 industry recipients. Its website, asgam.com, is the highest ranked B2B gaming industry media website in the world. IAG has over 36,000 LinkedIn followers.

IAG produces numerous gaming industry business and social events, operates a consulting and advisory unit and publishes several trade show print newspapers.

Andrew completed a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Australia in 1992 and a Master of Science in International Integrated Resort Management (Honors) in Macau in 2019. He has established and operated a retail sports betting business, a professional casino training school and an IR poker room.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Evan
Spytma**

CEO

Casino Plus and Hotel
Stotsenberg Leisure Park and
Hotel Corporation

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Evan Spytma is the CEO of Casino Plus and Hotel Stotsenberg Leisure Park and Hotel Corporation, which offers world-class facilities and online casino services to guests and visitors in the Philippines. Before joining Casino Plus, he held executive positions at leading interactive gaming companies such as Electronic Arts, Unity Technologies, and PopCap Games.

Evan's career in Asia spans more than 24 years, during which he has managed and grown businesses across the region's dynamic and competitive mobile markets, with a strong focus on gaming.

A sought-after speaker, moderator, and panelist, he is widely regarded as a champion within the gaming community. Evan holds a Master's degree in International Management from the Thunderbird School of Global Management.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Erick
Su**

Chief Global Growth Officer
DigiPlus Interactive Corp

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Erick Su is the Chief Global Growth Officer of DigiPlus Interactive Corp. (DigiPlus), the pioneer and leading digital entertainment provider in the Philippines behind BingoPlus, ArenaPlus, and GameZone. In his current role, he supports DigiPlus' global expansion strategy and initiatives to unlock new growth opportunities, while leveraging his extensive experience in international business growth and market expansion.

With over two decades of experience across both operator and supplier roles, Su brings a well-rounded understanding of the global gaming industry. He has previously worked with Betfair (Flutter Group), Unibet (Kindred Group), Kambi, and Genlot, covering markets across the UK and Asia.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**Danny
Too**

Vice President - Sales
MediaPro

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Danny Too is a seasoned gaming, hospitality and business executive with more than 26 years of international leadership experience spanning Asia, Europe, Africa and Oceania. Rising from frontline hotel operations to senior executive and C-suite leadership, he has successfully led gaming operators, luxury hospitality businesses, technology providers and strategic consulting initiatives across multiple markets. Throughout his career, Danny has built a reputation for transforming businesses, driving sustainable growth, strengthening operational excellence and developing high-performing teams.

Passionate about mentoring future leaders and giving back to the industry, he believes that leadership is defined not only by commercial success but also by the positive impact made on people and communities. His expertise encompasses business strategy, operational transformation, business development, customer experience, regulatory engagement and international market expansion.



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Part of Complete Media Group, alongside CDC Gaming and Inside Asian Gaming, CiG is built around a simple philosophy: “Regional expertise, worldwide.”

Our Americas and APAC teams bring decades of combined experience covering the gaming industry. With journalists across North and Latin America and offices throughout Manila, Macau, Melbourne, Sydney, Hong Kong and Singapore, we understand the markets we cover and the people who shape them.

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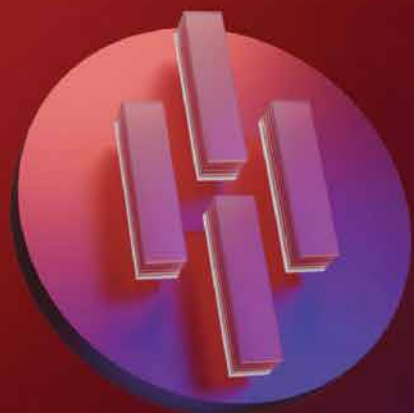
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Each MAD brings together key industry decision-makers with the people they want to meet in a relaxed and friendly environment. Attendees must work for an operator (land-based or online), supplier to an operator, hotelier, entertainment business or be connected to the industry in some way. All attendees supply their business cards upon entrance to each MAD event. There is also a select VIP list for each event.

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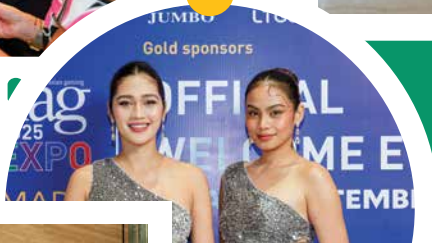
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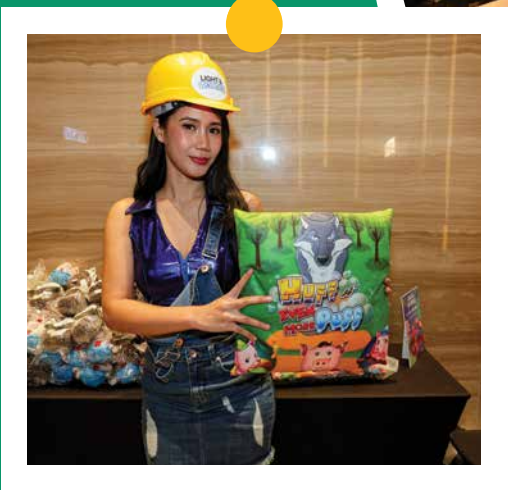
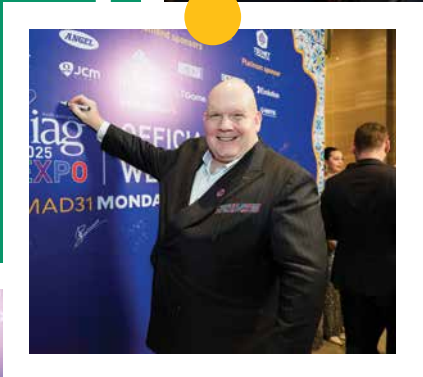
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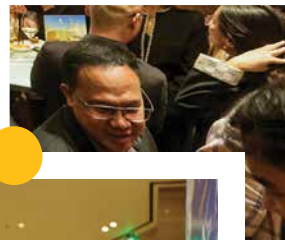
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2025 HIGHLIGHTS









**HILTON BALLROOM,
NEWPORT WORLD RESORTS**

DAY 1: TUE 15 SEP 2026 10:00 TO 16:00

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THE IAG ACADEMY SUMMIT brings together the best minds in the Asian gaming industry. With content developed by IAG's Vice Chairman and CEO Andrew W Scott and Managing Editor Ben Blaschke, it features a range of speakers from across the region offering their insights by a range of methodologies. These include traditional panels and presentations as well as more innovative formats not previously witnessed at industry trade shows in Asia.

The IAG Academy Summit aims to do things differently, setting itself apart from other events by being innovative, creative and genuinely informative. We listen, and put the industry's needs first. We strive for interesting and creative presentation formats, and genuinely engaging speakers with real value to offer.

We carefully handpick speakers who are truly experts in their field with the ability to provide unique industry insights, and we are careful to avoid speakers who appear regularly on the Asian gaming conference circuit. Originality is key!

SUMMIT AT A GLANCE



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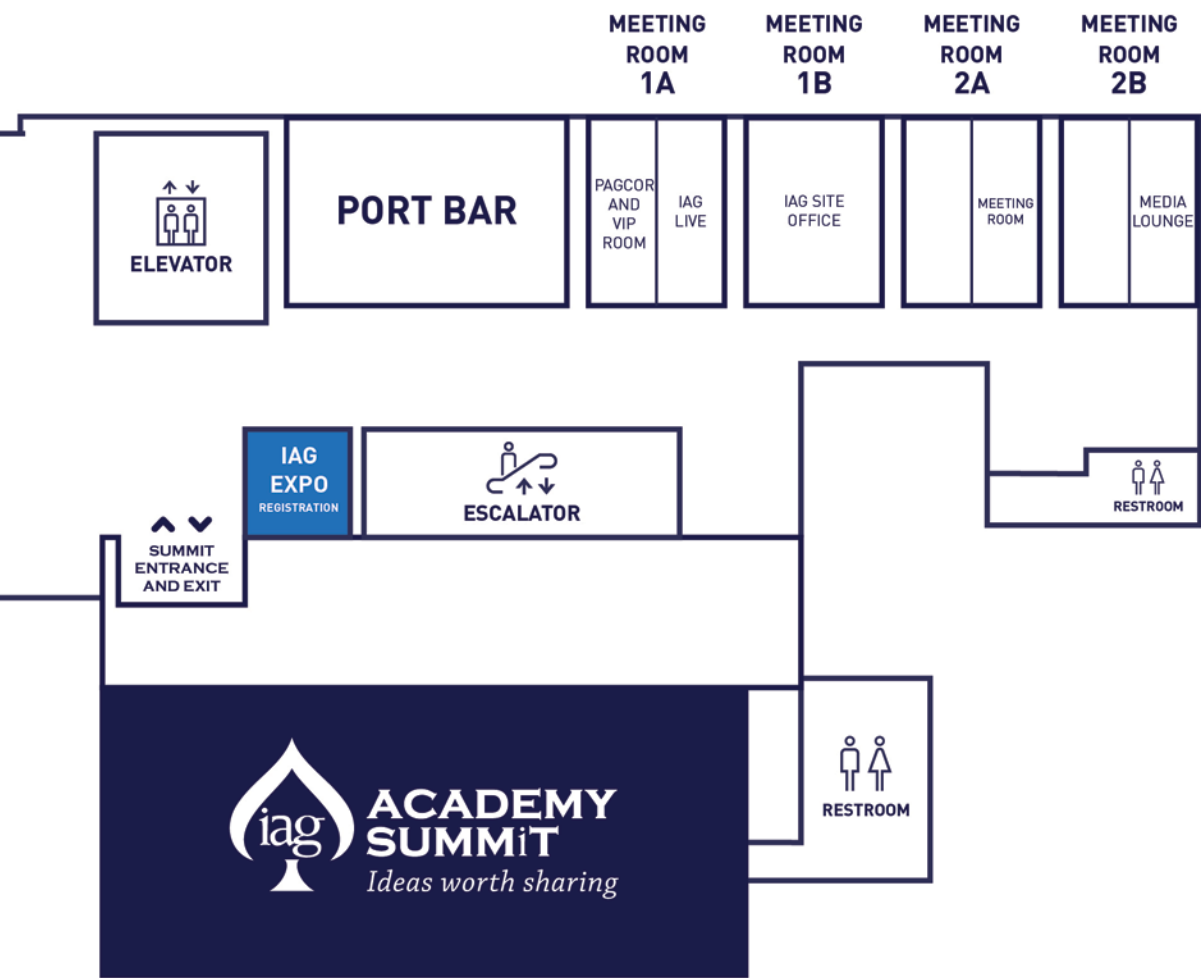
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Summit hours: 10:00 to 16:30

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FLOOR PLAN



LOCATIONS

Summit: Hilton Ballroom

Summit networking lunches: Kusina Sea Kitchens

09:30 To 10:00	30 MINS	NETWORKING
Welcome networking coffee and registration		
10:00 To 10:05	5 MINS	REMARKS
SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME		
• ANDREW W SCOTT Vice Chairman and CEO, Inside Asian Gaming		
10:05 To 10:25	20 MINS	KEYNOTE
KEYNOTE ADDRESS		
<i>Appointed Chairman and CEO of PAGCOR in August 2022, Alejandro H. Tengco has spent the past four years preparing a comprehensive overhaul of the Philippine gaming regulator – and of regulation more broadly in the Philippines. Hear him provide an update on PAGCOR’s efforts on “decoupling” its roles as both a regulator and operator, and how he sees the industry growing into the future.</i>		
• ALEJANDRO H. TENGCO Chairman and CEO, PAGCOR		
10:25 To 11:05	40 MINS	
<i>We’re keeping this session open for something timely, engaging and thought-provoking. Full details will be revealed online shortly before the Summit, after this event guide has gone to print.</i>		

11:05 TO 11:25	20 MINS	NETWORKING
Morning networking coffee		
11:25 TO 12:10	45 MINS	PANEL
EMERGING MARKETS <i>Explore the next wave of gaming growth across Asia as topical experts examine the opportunities, challenges and evolving regulatory landscapes in emerging markets including Japan, Sri Lanka, Laos and beyond. Drawing on first-hand market knowledge and industry experience, the panel will offer insights into where the region's next major opportunities may emerge.</i> • BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR) Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming • TONY MACMILLAN Chief Executive Officer, Bally's Colombo • SHAUN MCCAMLEY Founder and Chairman, GameWorkz • PAUL SIMMONS Chief Executive Officer, Kairos Gaming		
12:10 TO 12:40	30 MINS	PANEL
FAMILIAR FACES <i>This session explores the latest in facial recognition technology, how it is being deployed on gaming floors across the region and common misconceptions around its utilization. What are the benefits and concerns around this quickly evolving technology?</i> • KELSEY WILHELM (MODERATOR) Senior Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming • JOE MAYER Systems Sales & Operations Manager – APAC, Konami <i>More speaker[s] to be announced</i>		

12:40 TO 14:00

80 MINS

NETWORKING

Networking lunch (Kusina Sea Kitchens, Hilton Manila Newport World Resorts)

14:00 TO 14:45

45 MINS

PANEL

**THE JAPAN EFFECT:
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT IN NORTHEAST ASIA?**

As MGM Osaka in 2030 approaches, what impact will Japan's emergence as an IR market have on the region, and what can we expect from Japan's IR licensing 2.0? How will Korea react to this seismic shift in the North East Asian center of gravity?

- **BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR)**
Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming
- **JAEHWAN KIM**
Chief Marketing Officer, Paradise City
- **JAESEOK LEE, PhD**
Associate Professor & Department Chair, Dept of Tourism Management, Kangwon National University
- **CHEN SI**
Chief Operating Officer, Resorts World Sentosa

DAY 1

14:45 TO 15:05

20 MINS

NETWORKING

Afternoon networking coffee

15:05 TO 15:50

45 MINS

PANEL

BRIDGING LAND-BASED AND ONLINE: THE POWER OF PLAYER DATA

As land-based and online gaming converge in the Philippines, how can operators turn their player data into stronger digital engagement and loyalty? This session explores the evolving role of data-driven marketing, the lessons from smart table technology and the contrasting strategies shaping the market.

- **BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR)**
Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming
- **DAVID CROFT**
SVP Gaming Optimisation & Strategy, Tangam Systems
- **LAURENT FRESNEL**
Founder & CEO, Syntrii
- **BRYAN JENKINS**
Director, Angel Manufacturing Singapore

15:50 TO 16:00

10 MINS

REMARKS

SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING

- **ANDREW W SCOTT**
Vice Chairman and CEO, Inside Asian Gaming

09:30 TO 10:00	30 MINS	NETWORKING
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10:00 TO 10:05	5 MINS	REMARKS
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BEN BLASCHKE Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming		
10:05 TO 10:50	45 MINS	FIRESIDE CHAT
IF THE CROWN FITS		
<i>Two years after sitting down with former Crown Resorts CEO Ciarán Carruthers, Andrew W Scott does the same with the man who replaced him in the role, David Tsai, to learn about the transition, the full return to suitability and efforts to drive profitability across Crown's three Australian resorts.</i>		
DAVID TSAI Chief Executive Officer, Crown Resorts		
<i>in discussion with</i>		
ANDREW W SCOTT Vice Chairman and CEO, Inside Asian Gaming		
10:50 TO 11:10	20 MINS	NETWORKING
Morning networking coffee		

11:10 TO 11:55

45 MINS

PANEL

METRO MANILA GAMING: ATTACKING THE 'BURBS

Manila's gaming story extends well beyond Entertainment City, with a growing number of casinos, integrated resorts and gaming venues finding success by targeting the city's vast and increasingly sophisticated locals mass market. This session examines the strategies driving that success, from properties such as Winford to Solaire Resort Quezon City and Manila's extensive network of bingo halls.

- **BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR)**
Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming
- **PEPE COSTA**
Philippines Country Manager, FBM
- **JEFFREY RODRIGO L. ÉVORA**
President and COO, Winford Resort & Casino Manila
- **DAMIAN QUAYLE**
Chief Operating Officer, Solaire Resort Quezon City

11:55 TO 12:40

45 MINS

PANEL

AI TODAY

Artificial intelligence is rapidly reshaping the gaming industry, from customer engagement and personalization to marketing, operations, fraud detection and responsible gaming. This session brings together industry experts to explore where AI is already delivering real-world results, where the biggest opportunities lie and how operators, suppliers and regulators can navigate the challenges of adopting an increasingly powerful technology.

- **KELSEY WILHELM (MODERATOR)**
Senior Contributing Editor, Complete iGaming
- **AARON RAJ**
Chief Technology Officer, Angel Australasia

More speaker(s) to be announced

12:40 TO 14:00

80 MINS

NETWORKING

Networking lunch (Kusina Sea Kitchens, Hilton Manila Newport World Resorts)

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14:00 TO 14:40

40 MINS

AT THE BAR

OPERATORS PANEL: OPERATING IN AN EVOLVING MARKET

This panel brings together representatives of leading operators from the Philippines to discuss the state of the industry in this fast-growing part of the world. We will explore the latest trends and challenges shaping the industry and ask how operators are setting themselves apart from the opposition.

- **BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR)**
Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming
- **ROD HACKMAN**
Vice President, Gaming Operations, Hann Casino Resort
- **GREG HAWKINS**
President and COO, Bloomberry Resorts Corp
- **SEAN KNIGHTS**
Chief Operating Officer, NUSTAR

14:40 TO 15:20

40 MINS

AT THE BAR

SUPPLIERS PANEL

Leaders in the Asia-Pacific land-based slots space provide insights into the latest player trends across the region and how they are continuing to innovate to maximize engagement and maintain competitiveness with their industry peers.

- **KELSEY WILHELM (MODERATOR)**
Senior Contributing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming
- **ANNIE CHAN**
VP Sales and Operations, Asia, Aristocrat Gaming
- **DAVID PUNTER**
Operations Manager Sales, Marketing and Service ANZ and APAC, Konami Australia
- **PHIL STORMONTH**
Senior Director of Sales, Asia, Light & Wonder

DAY 2

15:20 TO 15:40	20 MINS	NETWORKING
Afternoon networking coffee		
15:40 TO 16:25	45 MINS	AT THE BAR
THE ERA OF LEISURE TOURISM <i>Asia's integrated resorts are moving beyond a purely gaming-focused offering and increasingly using non-gaming attractions like golf and concerts to provide a point of difference. Hear from people at the coalface to learn about the effectiveness of this strategy.</i>		
• BEN BLASCHKE (MODERATOR) Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming • DR IWAN DIETSCHI Senior Vice President of Hospitality, MGM China • JOHN LUCAS Chief Hospitality Officer, Newport World Resorts • TIM NEIL General Manager, Hann Reserve Golf		
16:25 TO 16:30	5 MINS	REMARKS
SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING • BEN BLASCHKE Managing Editor, Inside Asian Gaming		

SUMMIT CHAIRMAN (DAY 1)



**ANDREW W
SCOTT**

Chief Executive Officer
Complete Media Group
**Vice Chairman and Chief
Executive Officer**
Inside Asian Gaming

REMARKS: SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Tuesday 15 September, 10:00-10:05

REMARKS: SUMMIT CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING

Tuesday 15 September, 15:50-16:00

FIRESIDE CHAT: IF THE CROWN FITS

Wednesday 16 September, 10:05-10:50

Andrew is a gaming industry expert, media publisher, commentator and advisor. Entering the gaming industry 40 years ago, he has lived in Macau for 17 years. He is Vice Chairman and CEO of Inside Asian Gaming (IAG) and CEO of parent company COMPLETE MEDIA GROUP.

IAG publishes a monthly magazine and a daily email newsletter sent to around 28,000 industry recipients. Its website, asgam.com, is the highest ranked B2B gaming industry media website in the world. IAG has over 36,000 LinkedIn followers.

IAG produces numerous gaming industry business and social events, operates a consulting and advisory unit and publishes several trade show print newspapers.

Andrew completed a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Australia in 1992 and a Master of Science in International Integrated Resort Management (Honors) in Macau in 2019. He has established and operated a retail sports betting business, a professional casino training school and an IR poker room.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER (DAY 1)



ALEJANDRO H. TENGO

Chairman and CEO
PAGCOR

KEYNOTE: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Tuesday 15 September, 10:05-10:25

Alejandro H. Tengco was appointed Chairman and CEO of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) in August 2022.

A seasoned businessman and public servant, Mr Tengco has extensive experience in the fields of construction, real estate, food and telecommunications.

He previously served as President and CEO of Nationstar Development Corporation, a Triple A-rated construction firm behind landmark projects such as the renovation of the National Museum of Natural History in Manila.

He held key positions at PLDT, including as Executive Assistant to the President and CEO and, later on, as head of Government Affairs.

An Ateneo de Manila University alumnus with a degree in Business Management (1982), he is now spearheading reforms in PAGCOR to enhance regulation, promote transparency, and ensure greater contributions to nation-building from the gaming industry.

SUMMIT CHAIRMAN (DAY2)



**BEN
BLASCHKE**

Managing Editor
Inside Asian Gaming

Ben began his career as a sports journalist in Sydney in 1999, working for a number of leading news publications before his interest was piqued by the TV poker shows that frequented the airwaves late at night. He soon found himself not only playing the game but writing about it too – taking on the role of Editor for PokerNews Australasia and subsequently visiting Macau for the very first time in 2008.

He was appointed Managing Editor of World Gaming Magazine in February 2013, subsequently overseeing O MEDIA's editorial catalogue including High Life, Hengqin Record and more. He was appointed Chief Content Officer in 2017.

In 2016, Ben became Managing Editor of Inside Asian Gaming and has spent his years since then delving ever more deeply into the business of gaming. He was instrumental in the launch of the industry-leading daily e-newsletter IAG Breakfast Briefing in April 2017.

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SPEAKER PROFILE



**ANNIE
CHAN**

VP of Sales and Operations
Aristocrat

AT THE BAR: SUPPLIERS PANEL:
INNOVATING FOR ASIA'S NEXT GEN PLAYERS

Wednesday 16 September, 14:40-15:20

Annie Chan is Vice President, Sales & Operations for Aristocrat Gaming, and Regional Leader for Asia. With more than 19 years of experience in the gaming industry, she is responsible for driving business growth, operational excellence, and ensuring that Aristocrat is and continues to be the preferred partner of choice across the region.

Since joining Aristocrat in 2016, Annie has held a number of leadership roles across manufacturing, operations and commercial strategy. She has played a key role in supporting revenue growth across Asia, leading regional operational initiatives and expanding Aristocrat's service capabilities, including establishing the company's Philippines office.

Known for her collaborative leadership style, Annie has built strong relationships with regulators, customers, distributors and industry partners throughout APAC. She is passionate about developing high-performing teams and delivering long-term value for customers.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**PEPE
COSTA**

Philippines Country Manager
FBM

PANEL: METRO MANILA GAMING: ATTACKING THE 'BURBS

Wednesday 16 September, 11:10-11:55

With over a decade of experience in the Philippine gaming industry, Pepe Costa brings extensive knowledge of gaming operations and a strong understanding of the local market to his role as Country Manager at FBM Philippines.

Pepe joined FBM in 2011, initially serving as General Manager of the company's manufacturing plant in Subic before moving to Manila to lead its Philippine operations. Since then, he has helped manage FBM's growing nationwide presence, working closely with teams, operators and partners while supporting the company's expansion across land-based and emerging gaming segments. His work in the Philippines has earned him the Outstanding Leader distinction at the Asia Gaming Awards, which he received in both 2024 and 2025. His vision for the company centers on gaming entertainment made for Filipinos by expert Filipino hands.

Pepe's approach to leadership is based on understanding his team, listening to ideas and helping people develop in their careers. He maintains that FBM's achievements are the result of people working together, and continues to focus on building strong relationships and preparing the company for its next stage of growth in the Philippines.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**DAVID
CROFT**

**SVP Gaming Optimisation &
Strategy**
Tangam Systems

**PANEL: BRIDGING LAND-BASED AND ONLINE:
THE POWER OF PLAYER DATA**

Tuesday 15 September, 15:05-15:50

David currently heads up Tangam's operations in the Asia Pacific region. Tangam is the leading provider of gaming optimisation and analytics software to casinos.

Previous to this role, David spent 17 years with the two leading casino operators in Australia, first with Crown Resorts and then with The Star Entertainment Group.

David has experience leading gaming strategy, Gaming Product and Gaming and Customer Analytics teams across Table Games, Slots and ETG's.

Over that time David has been an industry leader in driving revenue growth through the use of data and technological innovation to improve processes, productivity and gaming floor optimization.

SPEAKER PROFILE



DR IWAN DIETSCHI

**Senior Vice President of
Hospitality**
MGM China

AT THE BAR: THE ERA OF LEISURE TOURISM

Wednesday 16 September, 15:40-16:25

Dr Dietschi leads the hospitality division of MGM including Hotel, Food and Beverage, and Retail Operations. He joined in 2021 and was part of the company's retendering efforts for the license renewal for the next 10 years. He is a dedicated leader and hospitality expert and assists the various divisions with day-to-day operations, involving service excellence, business recovery, product enhancement and development.

Prior to MGM, he served as multi-property Vice-President at Marriott International, Luxury, overseeing eight properties in mainland China, including The Ritz Carlton and St. Regis in Shenzhen, The Ritz-Carlton and the W in Guangzhou, The Ritz-Carlton, St. Regis and the W in Chengdu, as well as The Ritz Carlton Harbin and Jiuzhaigou at the pre-opening stage.

Dr Dietschi possesses more than 28 years of luxury hotel knowledge and experience, working in 13 countries and four continents, including 23 hotel openings, and was a member of The Ritz-Carlton Global General Manager Service Excellence team.

Being a native Swiss, Dr Dietschi speaks fluent French, German and English. He graduated from the world-renowned École Hôtelière de Lausanne, Switzerland; received his Executive MBA from California State University, Monterey Bay, in 2012, and his Doctor of Business Administration from the College of Management and Technology at Walden University (USA) in 2018. He published his first book titled "Mastering Hospitality" in 2021 and is a frequent speaker at universities.

SPEAKER PROFILE



JEFFREY RODRIGO L. ÉVORA

President and COO

Winford Resort &
Casino Manila

PANEL: METRO MANILA GAMING: ATTACKING THE 'BURBS

Wednesday 16 September, 11:10-11:55

Jeff Évora is the President and COO of Winford Resort & Casino Manila, a position he has held since 2017. He has worked in hospitality since 1990 and entered the gaming industry in 1993.

Previously, Évora served as VP of Marketing at Resorts World Manila. Earlier in his career, he held roles with Caesars Entertainment, Ameristar Casinos, Boyd Gaming Corporation, Flamingo Hilton Las Vegas, and Hyatt Regency.

Évora holds a degree in Hotel Administration from the University of Hawaii and a Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**LAURENT
FRESNEL**

Founder & CEO
Syntrii

**PANEL: BRIDGING LAND-BASED AND ONLINE:
THE POWER OF PLAYER DATA**

Tuesday 15 September, 15:05-15:50

Laurent Fresnel is Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Syntrii. He brings more than 25 years of global technology leadership across casino and entertainment, with deep expertise delivering transformation inside highly regulated environments. As former Group Chief Technology & Innovation Officer at The Star Entertainment Group, he led enterprise-wide programs spanning carded play, digital wallets, cashless ecosystems, real-time financial crime detection, customer risk profiling, safer gambling, and the modernization of loyalty and marketing systems at scale.

That experience gives him a clear understanding of the technology challenges operators face as competition increasingly moves online, and an entrepreneurial instinct for using emerging technology not as an end in itself, but as the means to true customer centricity.

Laurent co-founded Syntrii on a simple observation: operators already hold the data required to compete with online-native rivals, but it sits fragmented across gaming, non-gaming, loyalty and payments systems that were never designed to speak to one another.

Syntrii was built to close that gap — providing the digital foundation for loyalty, marketing, payments and compliance in the regulated gaming sector, combining production-ready technology with the strategic expertise to shape the future of patron engagement.

He is well placed to speak to the convergence now underway in the Philippines: what land-based data can and cannot tell you about an online audience, what smart table data is actually revealing, and why marketing to a patron on their phone demands a fundamentally different model to marketing to them on the floor.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**ROD
HACKMAN**

VP of Gaming Operations
Hann Casino Resort

**AT THE BAR: OPERATORS PANEL:
OPERATING IN AN EVOLVING MARKET**

Wednesday 16 September, 14:00-14:40

Rod is Vice President of Gaming Operations at Hann Casino, the largest integrated resort outside metro Manila. He joined the company in December 2025, after spending two years at Landing Casino at Jeju Shinhwa World in Jeju, Korea.

Rod has extensive management experience in Asian gaming, including five years in Macau with Galaxy and Melco and eight years as Director at Marina Bay Sands, Singapore.

Starting in the industry in Australia in 1986, he also gained experience in South Africa and Europe before his move into the Asian IR world in 2005.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**GREG
HAWKINS**

President and COO
Bloomberry Resort Corp

**AT THE BAR: OPERATORS PANEL:
OPERATING IN AN EVOLVING MARKET**

Wednesday 16 September, 14:00-14:40

In June 2025, Gregory Hawkins was appointed as President and Chief Operating Officer for Bloomberry Resorts Corporation. Prior to this he was Chief Operating Officer of Solaire Resort - Quezon City. Greg has ultimate responsibility for the two on premise business units in Entertainment City and Quezon City, as well as its licensed Online division. In addition, he oversees the group's shared services and marketing units. His primary focus is on group leadership, culture, and core commercial objectives.

Greg has deep hospitality and gaming sector experience in multiple jurisdictions, including the Philippines, Macau, Australia, and New Zealand. This experience includes the opening of new resorts, capital expansion projects and site wide team and commercial leadership for brands such as Crown, The Star, SkyCity and Melco.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**BRYAN
JENKINS**

Director
Angel Manufacturing
Singapore Pte Ltd

**PANEL: BRIDGING LAND-BASED AND ONLINE:
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Tuesday 15 September, 15:05-15:50

Bryan has been with the Angel Group in the live table gaming casino equipment supply business for more than 25 years now, including roles as CEO of Angel Singapore PL and currently as Director of Angel Manufacturing Singapore Pte Ltd. His experience in the Philippine market is extensive and he is proud to have been associated with the support of casino IRs throughout the country.

Angel Group is dedicated to innovation as seen most recently in the development and distribution of Smart Table technology throughout Australasia and Southeast Asia.

Angel's smart table focus is on what we refer to as "AI Capture", our proprietary video assisted AI solution. The AI Capture base is the launch pad for opportunities to expand smart table applications through software development. AI Capture future proofs Angel's ability to innovate for table games beyond baccarat including roulette, sic-bo, blackjack and poker derivative games.

AI Capture operates seamlessly with RFID technology for float and chip inventory and of course the Super Angel Eye for game result data. Combine that with our Chip Validation and Counting System for chip inventory management and our Table Management System provides a comprehensive solution to a truly smart table environment.

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**JAEHWAN
KIM**

Chief Marketing Officer
Paradise City

**PANEL: THE JAPAN EFFECT:
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT IN NORTHEAST ASIA?**

Tuesday 15 September, 14:00-14:45

Jaehwan Kim is Chief Marketing Officer of Paradise Group, overseeing marketing for Paradise City – Northeast Asia’s first integrated resort and a leading Art-Tainment destination – as well as the Group, which operates Korea’s largest foreigner-only casino business.

Before joining Paradise Group, he built more than 25 years of marketing and management experience across a diverse range of industries, including finance, insurance, education and IT. This broad background has equipped him with a holistic perspective, enabling him to understand markets and customers from multiple angles and connect strategies and ideas across industries. In his current role, he is focused on building a distinctive brand experience that moves beyond conventional gaming-led marketing models and established industry practices. Guided by Paradise’s Art-Tainment vision, he leads new initiatives spanning marketing, events, live entertainment, product development and customer service design. Through these efforts, he is creating integrated guest experiences that bring art and entertainment together across the resort.

With his innovative approach, Kim is strengthening Paradise City’s competitive differentiation and playing a pivotal role in Paradise Group’s evolution from a traditional gaming operator into a global Art-Tainment company.

SPEAKER PROFILE



SEAN KNIGHTS

Chief Operating Officer
NUSTAR Resort and Casino

AT THE BAR: OPERATORS PANEL: OPERATING IN AN EVOLVING MARKET

Wednesday 16 September, 14:00-14:40

Sean Knights brings over three decades of global gaming and hospitality leadership to his role as Chief Operating Officer of NUSTAR Resort and Casino in Cebu, Philippines. As the Philippines' newest integrated resort destination, NUSTAR is poised to set new benchmarks in Southeast Asian hospitality – and under Sean's direction, operational strategy and guest experience are world-class.

Sean's distinguished career includes senior executive roles with industry leaders such as Delaware North, Crown Resorts, Resorts World Sentosa and Jupiters Townsville. Immediately prior to joining NUSTAR, he served as General Manager of Mindil Beach Casino Resort in Darwin, Australia, where he oversaw operational transformation tailored to the unique cultural and regulatory environment of the Northern Territory.

At NUSTAR Cebu, Sean's expertise in large scale resort operations and gaming management is helping shape a destination that seamlessly blends Filipino warmth with international standards. He is leading the resort's efforts in operational excellence, innovation, and local workforce empowerment – ensuring that NUSTAR not only delivers exceptional visitor experiences, but also contributes meaningfully to Cebu's tourism growth and community development.

Sean's regional and international insight, combined with his deep understanding of integrated resort dynamics, makes him a key voice in the evolution of gaming and hospitality across Asia.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**JAESEOK
LEE**

**Associate Professor &
Department Chair, Dept of
Tourism Management**
Kangwon National University

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Dr Jaeseok (Jason) Lee is an Associate Professor and Department Chair in the Department of Tourism Management at Kangwon National University. Prior to his current academic role, he served as an Assistant Professor at Macau University of Science and Technology in Macau. He earned his Ph.D. in Business Administration from Temple University, USA.

Dr Lee's core research and consulting expertise focuses on tourist decision-making processes, responsible gambling behaviors, and Casino Integrated Resort (IR) management and policy. His doctoral dissertation at Temple University investigated non-problem gamblers' responsible gambling behaviors. He has authored numerous SSCI-indexed journal articles examining visitor behaviors, experiencescapes, and economic impacts in IRs, including comparative studies between the Macau and South Korean IR environments.

Beyond academia, Dr Lee actively contributes to public policy, gaming regulation, and industry governance. He serves as a member on the Policy and System Subcommittee of the National Gambling Control Commission in South Korea. Additionally, he leads and participates in major research projects on IR regulation and strategic development, including the 3rd Master Plan for the Casino Industry commissioned by Jeju Special Self-Governing Province and IR policy and framework development projects with the Incheon Free Economic Zone.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**JOHN
LUCAS**

Chief Hospitality Officer
Newport World Resorts

AT THE BAR: THE ERA OF LEISURE TOURISM

Wednesday 16 September, 15:40-16:25

With over three decades of experience in the hospitality industry, John Lucas brings unparalleled expertise and passion to his role as Chief Hospitality Officer at Newport World Resorts, a position he has held for the past nine months.

Prior to joining Newport World Resorts, John spent over 30 years with the Hilton brand, where he held key leadership positions including Area General Manager in Australia and leading the successful pre-opening of Hilton Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea. His ability to navigate diverse markets and deliver exceptional results has earned him a strong reputation in the hospitality industry.

John's leadership style is centered on collaboration, innovation and a deep commitment to excellence, making him a vital part of Newport World Resorts' vision for hospitality excellence.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**JOE
MAYER**

**Systems Sales & Operations
Manager – APAC**
Konami

PANEL: FAMILIAR FACES

Tuesday 15 September, 12:10-12:40

Joe Mayer is the Systems Sales & Operations Manager APAC for Konami Australia Pty Ltd, with experience delivering casino management systems and gaming technology projects across the Asia-Pacific region. Working closely with casino operators, regulators, and industry stakeholders, he is involved in the ongoing development of facial recognition solutions designed to support player identification, responsible gambling, and operational intelligence within regulated gaming environments.

Joe is also helping shape the next generation of anonymous bonusing initiatives, aimed at enabling operators to recognize and reward previously unknown players without requiring loyalty card interaction. He focuses on exploring practical applications of technology that can enhance the player experience while delivering measurable operational and commercial benefits for casino operators.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**TONY
MACMILLAN**

Chief Executive Officer
Bally's Colombo

PANEL: EMERGING MARKETS

Tuesday 15 September, 11:25-12:10

Tony Macmillan is Chief Executive Officer of Bally's Colombo, one of Sri Lanka's leading gaming and entertainment destinations. A highly experienced international gaming executive, Macmillan brings more than three decades of industry experience spanning land-based and online casino operations, gaming management and customer-focused entertainment.

Macmillan began his career in London more than 30 years ago as a trainee casino dealer before progressing through senior management roles within the international gaming industry. He is a UK-licensed gaming manager and has developed extensive expertise across casino operations, player experience, commercial strategy, technology and operational performance.

Prior to and during his tenure in Sri Lanka, Macmillan has built a broad international perspective through experience across multiple gaming markets, including the UK, Malta and Curaçao. His professional background encompasses both traditional land-based gaming and emerging digital and mobile gaming products, giving him a comprehensive understanding of the rapidly evolving global gaming landscape.

As CEO of Bally's Colombo, Macmillan oversees the casino's operations and strategic development, with a strong focus on delivering exceptional customer experiences, operational excellence and sustainable growth. Under his leadership, Bally's has continued to strengthen its position within Sri Lanka's gaming and entertainment sector.

Macmillan is also an active contributor to industry discussions across Asia, sharing his experience and insights on gaming operations, leadership, talent and the future development of the regional gaming sector.

SPEAKER PROFILE



SHAUN McCAMLEY

Founder and Chairman
GameWorkz

PANEL: EMERGING MARKETS

Tuesday 15 September, 11:25-12:10

Shaun McCamley is a seasoned executive and respected figure in the global gaming and casino industry, recognized as one of the top 25 industry people to watch. With decades of experience, he has held senior leadership roles across land-based and online casino operations, guiding numerous ventures to success through strategic insight and operational excellence.

His deep expertise spans casino management, gaming operations, digital gaming and regulatory compliance. As a trusted consultant, Shaun has advised gaming operators, governments and regulatory bodies, playing a key role in optimizing operations and ensuring compliance in complex jurisdictions.

His international portfolio encompasses projects across Asia, Europe and other major gaming markets, where he has made significant contributions to the growth and evolution of the gaming industry.

Shaun is a sought-after speaker at global gaming conferences, where he shares forward-looking perspectives on industry trends, emerging technologies and best practices in player engagement and retention. His thought leadership is also reflected in numerous published articles on casino strategy and management.

Known for his leadership and innovative thinking, Shaun consistently drives transformation and embraces cutting-edge solutions to elevate gaming experiences. His ability to bridge traditional casino operations with the evolving demands of digital gaming has made him a valuable force in shaping the industry's future.



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**TIM
NEIL**

General Manager
Hann Reserve

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Tim Neil is an international executive with more than two decades of leadership experience across luxury hospitality, private clubs and integrated lifestyle destinations throughout Asia, the Middle East and North America. Renowned for combining strategic vision with operational excellence, he has built a career creating distinctive destinations that unite exceptional hospitality, championship golf and a deep respect for the natural environment.

Currently serving as General Manager of Hann Reserve, Tim is leading the development of one of Asia's most ambitious integrated luxury destinations. His role spans strategic planning, governance and operational development, shaping a destination where championship golf, refined hospitality, wellness and residential living come together to create an enduring legacy.

A British PGA Professional and a Law graduate, with a Master of Laws (LLM) in International Business Law, Tim has held senior executive positions in United States, Europe, Korea, Oman and the United Arab Emirates. His international career has encompassed luxury hospitality, destination development, governance and transformational leadership, working closely with Boards, ownership groups and global partners to deliver sustainable commercial growth and exceptional guest experiences.

With a passion for elevating service standards and developing iconic destinations, Tim is guiding Hann Reserve toward becoming one of Asia's most sought-after golf and lifestyle experiences, where championship golf, refined hospitality, and environmental stewardship exist in perfect harmony.

SPEAKER PROFILE



DAVID PUNTER

**Operations Manager Sales,
Marketing and Service
ANZ/APAC**

Konami Australia Pty Ltd

AT THE BAR: SUPPLIERS PANEL: INNOVATING FOR ASIA'S NEXT GEN PLAYERS

Wednesday 16 September, 14:40-15:20

David has been in Senior Strategic roles in the gaming industry for close to 30 years, first starting out in hotels in Newcastle and working his way through the bar, bottle shop and restaurant to running the Prince of Wales Hotel at Merewether.

From there his passion for gaming led him to move to Sydney to start a role on a graduate program and he was fast-tracked into the role of NSW Marketing Manager for Aristocrat after 12 months. Various roles in sales, followed by Marketing and Product Manager for Asia-Pacific, led he and his family to move to Macau as General Manager Asia-Pacific for Aristocrat through some extremely successful years.

David is now the Operations Manager Sales, Marketing and Service for Konami leading these business units for Australia and Asia Pacific. Achieving significant success in Australia and New Zealand for Konami, he is passionate about achieving similar success throughout the Asian region.

SPEAKER PROFILE



DAMIAN QUAYLE

Chief Operating Officer
Solaire Resort Quezon City

PANEL: METRO MANILA GAMING: ATTACKING THE 'BURBS

Wednesday 16 September, 11:10-11:55

Damian Quayle is the Chief Operating Officer of Solaire Resort Quezon City (formerly Solaire Resort North), bringing more than 30 years of leadership experience across the integrated resort, gaming, hospitality, and tourism industries in Australia and Asia. Throughout his career, he has built a reputation for operational excellence, strategic leadership, and delivering world-class guest experiences across some of the region's most prominent integrated resorts.

Before joining Solaire Resort Quezon City, Quayle served as Chief Gaming Officer of SJM Resorts in Macau, where he led gaming strategy, operations, and marketing across the company's casino portfolio. Prior to this, he was Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of Gaming at LET Westside Integrated Resort in Manila, playing a key role in the development of one of the Philippines' major integrated resort projects. His extensive career also includes senior leadership positions with The Star Entertainment Group in Australia, where he spent nearly 12 years, as well as executive roles with Wynn and Melco in Macau.

Quayle has successfully led large-scale gaming and hospitality businesses, driving operational performance, commercial growth, and exceptional service standards. His experience spans gaming operations, resort management, marketing, business strategy, and organizational leadership, giving him a holistic perspective on the evolving integrated resort industry.

As Chief Operating Officer of Solaire Resort Quezon City, Quayle oversees the resort's day-to-day operations, guiding its continued growth as Quezon City's premier luxury integrated resort. He is committed to elevating guest experiences, fostering a culture of service excellence and innovation, and strengthening Solaire Resort Quezon City's position as a leading destination for world-class entertainment, gaming, dining, and hospitality in the Philippines.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**AARON
RAJ**

Chief Technology Officer
Angel Australasia

PANEL: AI TODAY

Wednesday 16 September, 11:55-12:40

With nearly two decades in the gaming industry, Aaron has a proven track record of successfully launching Casino Systems across diverse geographical locations. His expertise lies primarily in the architecture, data, systems, and applications that form the backbone of casino operations. Through this experience, Aaron has cultivated a comprehensive understanding of gaming and its core functionalities, allowing him to translate complex technical concepts into practical solutions. System integration has been a key strength throughout his career, ensuring the seamless operation of diverse systems within a casino environment.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**CHEN
SI**

Chief Operating Officer
Resorts World Sentosa

**PANEL: THE JAPAN EFFECT:
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT IN NORTHEAST ASIA?**

Tuesday 15 September, 14:00-14:45

Chen Si currently serves as the Chief Operating Officer of Resorts World Sentosa in Singapore. He brings nearly two decades of international experience in the gaming and hospitality sector, having held senior leadership roles across integrated resorts in the region. As COO, Mr Si oversees the day-to-day operational performance, organizational excellence and continued improvement of guest experience across the resort.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**PAUL
SIMMONS**

CEO
Kairos Gaming

PANEL: EMERGING MARKETS

Tuesday 15 September, 11:25-12:10

Paul is the CEO and founder of Kairos Gaming Ltd, a company specializing in consultancy services for the gaming industry. With over four decades of experience in the field, Paul is a recognized expert in the gaming industry. He has held senior executive management positions across various regions, including Australia, Macau, Cambodia, Nepal, and Vietnam.

SPEAKER PROFILE



PHILIP STORMONTH

**Senior Director of Sales
for Asia**
Light & Wonder

**AT THE BAR: SUPPLIERS PANEL:
INNOVATING FOR ASIA'S NEXT GEN PLAYERS**

Wednesday 16 September, 14:40-15:20

Phil Stormonth is an experienced sales professional in the global gaming industry, specializing in slot machines and gaming solutions in Asia. He is based in Macau as Senior Director of Sales for Asia at Light & Wonder.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**DAVID
TSAI**

Chief Executive Officer
Crown Resorts

FIRESIDE CHAT: IF THE CROWN FITS

Wednesday 16 September, 10:05-10:50

David Tsai has served as CEO for Crown Resorts since September 2024, having previously served as CEO for Crown Perth. He brings two decades of integrated resorts experience to Crown, having held senior leadership roles across seven gaming jurisdictions in the U.S. and Australia.

David has an impressive track record of success having spent more than 15 years with global gaming, hospitality and entertainment group, MGM Resorts International. Prior to joining Crown, he was President of Midwest Group while simultaneously overseeing two of MGM Resorts' leading casino resorts – MGM Grand Detroit & MGM Northfield Park.

David brings extensive strategic and operational leadership experience having led extensive hotel, gaming, food and beverage, event and entertainment operations in some of the most highly regulated jurisdictions across the globe. David has also led large-scale transformation programs, including the US\$550M upgrade and redevelopment of the Monte Carlo Resort & Casino into new luxury lifestyle brands, Park MGM and NoMad Las Vegas.

Earlier in his career, David worked for McKinsey & Company and held senior strategy and finance roles, including leadership positions with ARIA Resort & Casino. David also held the position of Senior Vice President Corporate Strategy & Analytics for MGM Resorts, leading group strategy across more than 15 integrated resorts in the U.S.

David holds multiple degrees from Stanford University, including a Masters of Business Administration, a Masters of Science in Management Science, and a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering.

SPEAKER PROFILE



**KELSEY
WILHELM**

Senior Contributing Editor
Inside Asian Gaming

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Kelsey Wilhelm arrived in Macau as the SAR's casino monopoly was broken, growing up amongst the noise of the construction of the city's integrated resorts. Casinos were the main social meeting place and the intriguing conversations he had with casino management, hotel and construction execs, and friends entering the industry, sparked a curiosity to know the internal workings of the operations that caused Macau's boom.

He started covering gaming while still in university, initially at a daily business newspaper and later at numerous magazines, shifting early on from journalist to Editor-in-Chief. This prompted a shift into television, where he interviewed top gaming CEOs and celebrities, including on the talk show that he led.

After COVID, he began to focus exclusively on gaming, branching out from land-based into the online segment which he still finds fascinating. He now lends his time to both IAG and Complete iGaming as Senior Contributing Editor – keeping a finger on the pulse of both worlds which are now intersecting more than ever.



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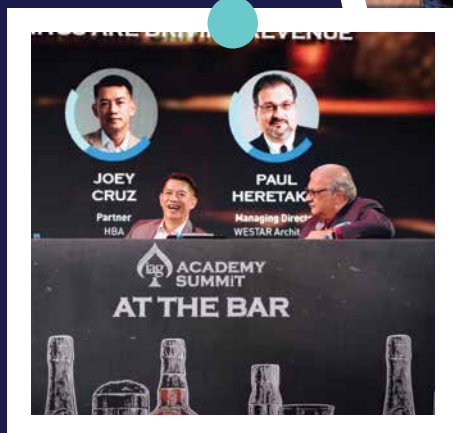
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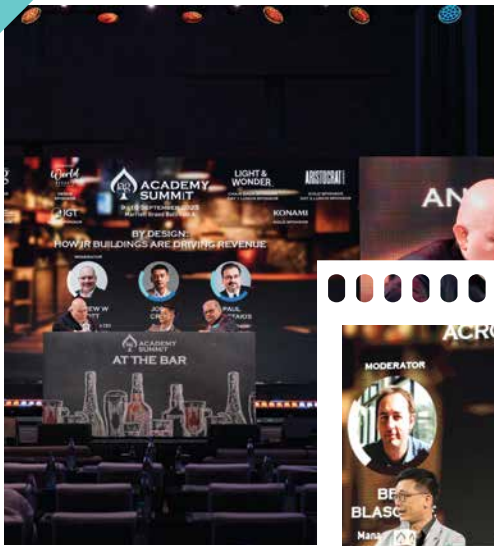
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BEST OVERALL RETAIL OFFERING BY AN IR

Awarded to the Asia Pacific-based integrated resort with the best overall retail offering. Criteria include the array of retail options on offer, general appeal of the facilities provided and popularity among shoppers.



BEST OVERALL F&B OFFERING BY AN IR

Awarded to the Asia Pacific-based integrated resort acknowledged as having the best overall food and beverage offering across its total footprint, taking into consideration the breadth of offering as well as the overall quality of all F&B outlets at the resort.



BEST FACILITIES MANAGEMENT IN AN IR

Awarded to the Asia Pacific-based integrated resort that demonstrates the highest standard of facilities management across its property. Criteria include operational efficiency, maintenance standards, cleanliness, guest comfort, sustainability practices, safety, reliability and the overall ability to maintain a complex IR environment at a consistently world-class level.



BEST HOTEL IN AN IR

Awarded to the best hotel offering in an Asia Pacific-based integrated resort, taking all relevant aspects into consideration. Criteria include range and quality of rooms and suites, facilities on offer and overall service provided.

AWARDS CATEGORIES

DIVISION 2: GAMING OFFERINGS

Gaming elements of Asia-Pacific based integrated resorts.



BEST SLOT SOLUTION

Awarded to the industry supplier with the slot solution acknowledged as the best in the industry. Criteria include innovation, player appeal and proven performance across key Asia-Pacific markets.



BEST ETG SOLUTION

Awarded to the industry supplier with the electronic table game solution acknowledged as the best in the industry. Criteria include innovation, player appeal and proven performance across key Asia-Pacific markets.



BEST SLOT GAME DESIGN STUDIO

Awarded for the slot game design studio acknowledged as producing the most outstanding game content for Asia-Pacific markets. Criteria include creativity, mathematics, visual and audio design, player engagement, cultural relevance, game performance and the studio's ability to deliver consistently compelling slot products.



BEST TABLE GAME SOLUTION

Awarded to the industry supplier with the table game solution acknowledged as the best in the industry. Criteria includes innovation, player appeal, operational efficiency, ease of deployment and proven performance across key Asia-Pacific markets.



BEST SYSTEM SOLUTION

Awarded to the industry supplier with the best system solution as acknowledged by the industry. Criteria include ease of use, value, features and quality of management reports.



BEST IR GAMING FLOOR

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AWARDS CATEGORIES

DIVISION 3: ONLINE GAMING OFFERINGS

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BEST LIVE DEALER OFFERING

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BEST ELECTRONIC SLOT OFFERING

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BEST iGAMING INNOVATION

Awarded to the iGaming operator or supplier responsible for the most outstanding recent innovation serving Asia-Pacific markets. This may include product, platform, technology, payments, compliance, responsible gaming, marketing, data or operational innovation, judged on originality, effectiveness, scalability and positive impact on the iGaming sector.



BEST iGAMING SUPPLIER

Awarded to the iGaming supplier offering the most outstanding products and/or services to Asia-Pacific-facing iGaming operators over the past year. Criteria include product quality, innovation, reliability, service delivery, market relevance, commercial performance and overall contribution to the growth and development of the iGaming industry.



BEST iGAMING OPERATOR

Awarded to the iGaming operator judged to have delivered the strongest overall performance in Asia-Pacific-facing online gaming over the past year. Criteria include product quality, customer experience, brand strength, innovation, compliance, responsible gaming, market growth and overall operational excellence.

AWARDS CATEGORIES

DIVISION 4: CORPORATE AWARDS

(Open to Operators and Suppliers)

Elements that relate to overall governance and activities of companies that operate Asia-Pacific based integrated resort businesses, and those that supply them.



BEST INDIVIDUAL CSR INITIATIVE

Awarded to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort operator or industry supplier that developed the best single CSR initiative over the past year, judged on innovation and positive impact for the community.



BEST OVERALL CSR PROGRAM

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BEST WORKPLACE

Awarded to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort operator or industry supplier that provides the best workplace for its employees. Criteria include overall corporate culture, training, workplace health and safety, and opportunities provided for career advancement.



BEST MARKETING PROGRAM

Awarded to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort operator or industry supplier whose overall brand marketing program best personifies its unique selling proposition in a creative, impactful and effective manner. Careful consideration will be given to the breadth of communications tools deployed.

AWARDS CATEGORIES

DIVISION 5: INDUSTRY AWARDS

Elements relating to the wider industry of and serving integrated resorts in the Asia-Pacific region.



BEST IR OR SUPPLIER SOLUTION

Awarded to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort operator or industry supplier that has developed the best industry land-based solution. This solution can serve either gaming or non-gaming operations and can be a long-standing solution.



BEST IR OR SUPPLIER INNOVATION

Awarded to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort operator or industry supplier that has developed the best recent industry land-based innovation. This innovation can serve either gaming or non-gaming operations and should be a relatively new development.



BEST INDUSTRY SUPPLIER

Awarded to the industry supplier offering the most outstanding products and/or services to the Asia-Pacific integrated resort industry over the past year, considering all relevant factors including product range, service delivery and value to the industry as a whole.



BEST REGIONAL ASIA-PACIFIC IR

Awarded to the best integrated resort (with gaming) in the Asia-Pacific region not located in the multibillion-dollar investment hubs of Macau and Singapore.



BEST INTEGRATED RESORT

Awarded to the most outstanding integrated resort (with gaming) in the entire Asia-Pacific region.

AWARDS CATEGORIES

HALL OF FAME



RISING STARS

Awarded to three industry performers turning 40 or younger in the year of the Awards (date of birth 1 Jan 1986 or later), who have demonstrated consistent leadership and innovation, with great potential for more to come. Previous IAG Academy Rising Star Award winners are ineligible.



INDUSTRY ICONS

Awarded to three senior industry executives who have demonstrated consistent contribution to the overall growth and success of the industry with lasting results, through great leadership, innovation and/or other activities, and who have gained the respect of their industry peers.



INDUSTRY LEGEND

Given to just one person each year, this award recognizes a senior executive who has demonstrated exceptional leadership, vision and impact over the decades, leaving a lasting mark on the industry. It is intended for an individual who has spent a significant portion of their career leading day-to-day industry operations: driving strategy, motivating teams, and navigating complex challenges, rather than someone in a founder or owner role. The Industry Legend will have consistently contributed to the growth, innovation and success of the business or businesses they have worked in, as well as the broader sector, through hands-on, executive-level leadership.



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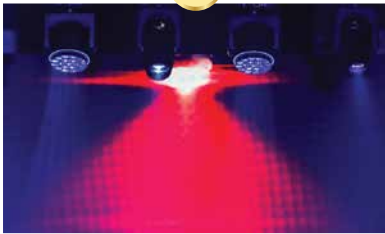
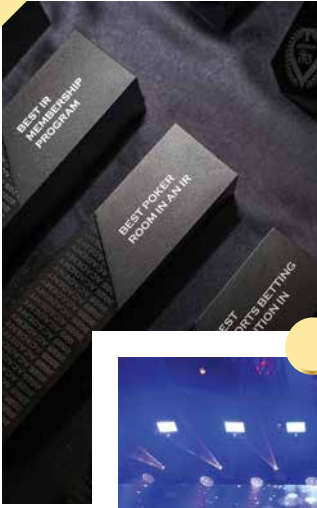


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GENERAL INFORMATION



NEWPORT CITY



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Grab

TRANSPORTATION

Ride-share is the most reliable, safe and efficient way to get around Manila if you need to leave the venue at any stage during your stay.

For a visitor in the Philippines, Grab is the best and most convenient ride-share app. Think of it as a local equivalent to Uber or Lyft. After downloading Grab on your smartphone and registering with a mobile number, you'll see several ride options, as described below:

GrabCar:

A private, air-conditioned car driven by a professional driver.

GrabTaxi:

Hails a metered, regulated taxi through the app. Fares follow local taxi tariffs. However, a GrabCar will almost always be a higher quality vehicle.

GrabBike:

A two-wheeled motorcycle taxi.

GrabShare:

A car-pool service that pairs you with fellow passengers headed in the same direction, lowering your fare.

Booking generally takes less than 30 seconds, but cars can take anything from one to ten minutes to arrive due to Manila's challenging traffic conditions.

Set your pickup and drop-off points, choose a ride type, then confirm. You'll see your driver's name, photo, vehicle details, and an estimated fare before you ride. You can pay either with cash or credit card through the app. Real-time GPS tracking displays your route for peace of mind.

Taking a Grab makes getting around safe, convenient and predictable compared to taxis — which can be problematic for a number of reasons.

NEWPORT WORLD RESORTS HOTEL INFORMATION



HOTEL INFORMATION



HOTEL OKURA

Hotel Okura Manila Newport World Resorts epitomizes the essence of elegance and refined Japanese hospitality. Bringing the world-renowned brand to the Philippines for the first time, this luxury hotel offers 190 spacious rooms and suites, and a variety of dining options.

MANILA MARRIOTT HOTEL

Manila Marriott Hotel at Newport World Resorts boasts a coveted location in Newport World Resorts. When you stay at our luxury Manila, Philippines, hotel, expect contemporary elegance and well-appointed accommodations with deluxe bedding, marble bathrooms and modern technology. Elevate your stay in a spacious suite in our hotel's West Wing.

Ignite your senses with diverse dining options, including a steakhouse and an all-day buffet restaurant.





HILTON MANILA

Hilton Manila Newport World Resorts offers consistently excellent service, where upscale leisure guests and next-generation business travelers can enjoy superb comfort, relaxation at the poolside with sun loungers, the 24-hour fitness center and more. Guests have a direct connection to all the thrills at the Newport World Resorts complex via the elegant bridgeway.

SHERATON MANILA

Let Sheraton Manila Hotel at Newport World Resorts be your gateway to all that the city has to offer. Enjoy easy airport access via Runway Manila and experience some of the finest entertainment and nightlife in the area. Fuel up with global and local flavors at S Kitchen or Korean barbecue at Oori.



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HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS MANILA

Holiday Inn Express Manila Newport City is the smart choice for savvy business and leisure travelers, offering a relaxed, value-rich, and hassle-free stay every time. Recharge in our comfortable beds with a choice of soft and firm pillows. Start your day right with our Express Start Breakfast or just “Grab & Go” at our multi-functional and spacious Great Room.



IAG EXPO attendees can take advantage of special room rates and package offers courtesy of Newport World Resorts and the respective hotels. For more information visit iagexpo.com/accommodation.



For those new to the Philippines, here is some basic information about travelling to the IAG EXPO.

The venue for the IAG EXPO, Newport World Resorts, is located right alongside Manila's Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA), the main airport for the city. NWR is accessible by foot from NAIA Terminal 3 via a fully enclosed and air-conditioned walkway bridge, known as Runway Manila. Simply follow the signs in Terminal 3. It takes around 10 to 15 minutes to walk from NAIA to NWR via Runway Manila.

If you are arriving via Terminal 1 or Terminal 2 you will require ground transportation to get to NWR. Ground transportation is also available from Terminal 3 if you prefer to avoid the walk via Runway Manila.

Be sure to fill out your mandatory electronic arrival form before arrival, which can be accessed at eTravel.gov.ph.

Newport World Resorts is a modern, world-class integrated resort featuring five hotels – seven if you include the (very) close Belmont and Savoy Hotels just across the road from the IAG EXPO venue. NWR has over 50 food and beverage outlets, a spa and more than 100 retail stores.

PLAN YOUR VISIT

We recommend that you arrive on Sunday 13 September in order to attend the CiG iDEA Summit on Monday and Manila After Dark (MAD) at Grand Bar and Lounge, NWR on Monday evening. MAD is a wonderful social networking event that doubles as the welcome drinks for the IAG EXPO and provides an early opportunity for guests to mingle with other attendees, including senior PAGCOR officials.

The CiG iDEA Summit kicks off at 10am on Monday 14 September, followed by IAG Academy Summit from Tuesday morning. The IAG Academy IR Awards will be held on the evening of Tuesday 15 September in the Marriott Manila Ballroom, from 6:30pm to 10pm. The summits are located at Hilton Manila and the awards at Manila Marriott – both at NWR. All hotels within the NWR complex are within a 5-minute walk of the venues.

IAG has arranged special rates for attendees of IAG EXPO at any of NWR's five hotels: Hotel Okura, Hilton Manila, Manila Marriott, Sheraton Manila and Holiday Inn Express Manila. To book, visit our accommodation page at www.iagexpo.com/accommodation.

For more budget-conscious travellers, the nearby Belmont and Savoy are also viable accommodation options. Although they are technically not part of NWR, they do form part of the NWR township. Access to the venues does require crossing a road which is not under cover.

When departing Manila after IAG EXPO, we recommend flying out no earlier than Thursday 17 September to ensure you are part of all of the week's festivities (other than the invite-only The Regulators Forum which takes place on the Thursday).

Please note that if you are taking ground transportation to NAIA you should allow up to 30 minutes to reach your terminal because although the distance is short, Manila traffic can be challenging!

The unit of currency in the Philippines is the peso (PHP), with an exchange rate of approximately US\$1 = PHP 57.



Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation



16 April 2026

MR. ANDREW W. SCOTT

Vice Chairman and CEO,
Inside Asian Gaming (IAG)

Dear Andrew,

**FORMAL PAGCOR ENDORSEMENT:
IAG EXPO, SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2026**

On behalf of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR), it is my distinct honor to extend our formal endorsement of the IAG Expo, which is scheduled to be held at Newport World Resorts, Manila from September 14 to 17, 2026.

In addition to our full endorsement of the IAG EXPO, we are pleased to convey our strong and enthusiastic support for all five key components of the event and its surrounding activities, specifically:

1. *The iGaming Discovery and Exchange Summit*
2. *Manila After Dark*
3. *IAG Academy Summit*
4. *IAG Academy IR Awards*
5. *The Regulators Forum*

PAGCOR recognizes the vital role that IAG has played, and continues to play, in supporting and covering the legal, regulated gaming industry in the Philippines and across the broader Asia-Pacific region since its establishment in 2005. Over the past 21 years, IAG has firmly positioned itself as the leading and most respected media authority on the land-based gaming sector in the region. Its credibility, influence, and consistent dedication to high-quality industry coverage have made IAG a key force in convening premier events, including the IAG EXPO.

We would also like to highlight IAG's proven track record in successfully hosting major industry gatherings. These include Manila After Dark, the IAG Academy Summit, and the IAG Academy IR Awards at Newport World Resorts in September 2023, 2024, and 2025, as well as the IAG Exhibition and The Regulators Forum, also held at Newport World Resorts in September 2025.

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PAGCOR ENDORSEMENT

IAG holds a unique and influential position within the Asian gaming landscape. Founded in Asia, it has evolved over the past two decades into far more than a media brand or an events organization. Today, IAG serves as a unifying platform that brings together global leaders and key industry stakeholders, with a particular emphasis on the Philippines. Through its thought leadership and convening power, IAG plays a pivotal role in shaping the industry narrative and advancing important discussions on growth, innovation, and the sustainable development of our sector.

We are confident that the 2026 IAG EXPO will not only showcase the latest cutting-edge technologies but will also set new benchmarks in industry thought leadership. Moreover, the event will create meaningful opportunities for informal networking and engagement, fostering an environment where professionals can exchange ideas and insights in a collaborative and relaxed setting.

Hosting the IAG EXPO in the Philippines further underscores our nation's position as a premier destination for business, partnership, and excellence. We fully support the IAG EXPO, as it aligns seamlessly with PAGCOR's longstanding commitment to promoting the growth and sustainable development of the Philippine regulated gaming industry.

We are certain that the IAG EXPO will be a resounding success, and we look forward to welcoming it back to our shores annually for many years, if not decades, to come.

Kind regards,



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Founded in 2005, IAG has a broad business editorial focus on the Asian gaming and integrated resort industry. It is widely distributed to industry executives throughout Macau and the rest of Asia in two formats: a monthly English and traditional Chinese fully bilingual digital and print magazine and a daily e-newsletter titled *IAG Breakfast Briefing*, delivered at 8am Macau time in English and 11am in traditional Chinese each weekday. IAG also publishes special magazine editions for G2E Asia each May, the IAG EXPO each September, Asian Gaming Power 50 each November and a Philippines special each December.

IAG produces all original content. As well as almost always being the first media outlet to publish breaking industry news, the deep domain knowledge our journalists have accumulated from as far back as the 1980s allows IAG to offer highly insightful opinion pieces and analysis of industry news. We do not aggregate media content or copy from other media outlets. Conversely, IAG is often the original source (sometimes credited, more often not!) of many stories published around the world covering the Asian IR and gaming industry.

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FUTURE YEARS

IAG has made a long-term commitment to the IAG EXPO. Our company has a more than 20-year history since we were founded in 2005. We are used to long term commitments to events, as is evidenced by our first ever event, the IAG Power 50 Black Tie Gala Dinner, the history of which dates back to 2008.

We have already planned the dates for the IAG EXPO through to 2040. Of course, these dates can change, but historically IAG has very much stayed firm on previously announced dates.

Day 1 is always planned to be the second Tuesday in September.

Day 0 is therefore the previous day, a Monday. That day will see the CiG iDEA Summit followed by the IAG EXPO Welcome event, from 6:30pm to 9:30pm.

Day 2 is therefore a Wednesday, the day after Day 1.

The IAG Exhibition is planned for Days 1 and 2 (Tue and Wed), from 10am to 5pm both days.

The IAG Academy Summit is planned for Days 1 and 2 (Tue and Wed), from 11am to around 4:30pm on day 1, and from 10am to around 4:30pm on day 2. A day 3 may eventually be added at some stage in the future.

The IAG Academy IR Awards are planned for the Day 1 evening (Tue), from 6:30pm to 10pm.

YEAR	Day 0 (MON)	Day 1 (TUE)	Day 2 (WED)	Day 3 (THU)
2027	13-Sep	14-Sep	15-Sep	16-Sep
2028	11-Sep	12-Sep	13-Sep	14-Sep
2029	10-Sep	11-Sep	12-Sep	13-Sep
2030	9-Sep	10-Sep	11-Sep	12-Sep
2031	8-Sep	9-Sep	10-Sep	11-Sep

These are the terms that govern your attendance at and/or participation in the IAG EXPO, whether as a VIP, leader, delegate, speaker, media, trade visitor, exhibitor or in any other capacity. By registering for and/or attending any part of the IAG EXPO you are agreeing to these terms, which form a legal contract between Asgam Limited (doing business as "Inside Asian Gaming" and "IAG") and the attendee and/or participant ("you"). If you are registering on behalf of another person it is your responsibility to ensure that the person attending is aware of these terms and accepts them, and by completing the registration you are warranting that you have made the attendee aware of these terms and conditions and that they have accepted these terms and conditions.

ADMITTANCE

Your registration fee entitles you only to admittance to the relevant event(s) within the IAG EXPO. All other costs associated with your attendance (including without limitation any travel and/or accommodation expenses) shall be borne solely by you and IAG shall have not liability for such costs. We reserve the right to refuse admission to any person whom we consider in our absolute discretion to be unsuitable for admission to the any part of the IAG EXPO or to remove any person after the start of any part of the IAG EXPO, with no refund of any fees paid or payable. You must be a minimum of 21 years of age to attend any IAG event, including all IAG EXPO events.

AMENDMENT

IAG reserves the right to modify or amend these terms and conditions at any time.

ASSIGNMENT AND SUB-CONTRACTING

You shall not assign, delegate, sub-contract, transfer, charge or otherwise dispose of all or any of your rights and responsibilities in relation to the IAG EXPO without our prior written consent. Such consent shall not relieve you from any liability or obligation and you shall be responsible for the acts, omissions, defaults and/or negligence of your sub-contractors as fully as if they were your own.

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Any badges or credentials issued by IAG are the sole property of IAG and must be surrendered upon demand to IAG representatives. IAG-issued credentials must be prominently displayed while at the IAG EXPO or related activities. False certification of an individual as an attendee, misuse of an attendee badge, or any other method or device used to assist unauthorized personnel to gain admittance to the IAG EXPO or related events may result in expelling the attendee and his representative(s) from the IAG EXPO and/or banning them from future entry to IAG events. The attendee, their respective employees and agents, and anyone claiming to be at the IAG EXPO by virtue of any connection to the attendee, waives any rights or claims for damages arising out of the enforcement of this condition.

BEHAVIOR

You agree to conduct yourself in a polite, professional and appropriate manner while attending the IAG EXPO and related activities and abide by any directives of IAG or IAG EXPO staff or contractors, and abide by all laws relevant to the IAG EXPO. Any harassment of IAG, venue or IAG EXPO-related staff and/or contractors will not be tolerated and may lead to expulsion from the IAG EXPO.

CANCELLATION AND SUBSTITUTION

We reserve the right to cancel any part or all of the IAG EXPO at our sole discretion for any reason and at any time. In the event of such a cancellation, we will refund any registration fees paid, and we will use reasonable endeavours to notify you of such cancellation as soon as possible and with as minimal detrimental impact as possible.

CAR PARKING

If you are using car parking facilities at the venue, you do so entirely at your own risk. We do not accept any responsibility for any loss and/or damage resulting from your use of such car parking facilities.

DATA PROTECTION

Where you provide us with personal data of third parties, you warrant, represent and undertake that you have complied with all applicable data protection legislation in respect of such personal data, including obtaining all permissions, consents and approvals of data subjects to provide their personal data to us.

DELEGATE SUBSTITUTION

If a delegate cannot attend any part of the IAG EXPO, we are happy to accept a substitute delegate without charge, subject to our approval of the substitute delegate.

DIETARY ISSUES

You are responsible for any negative impacts from dietary intolerances or restrictions as a result of any food or drink consumed at or in connection with the IAG EXPO.

DRESS CODE

Business attire or casual business attire is suitable for the IAG EXPO and its related events, excepting the dress code for the IAG Academy IR Awards is black tie.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Electronic devices are permitted at the IAG EXPO, but delegates and speakers are required to silence the devices during IAG EXPO sessions, and to leave the main IAG EXPO area should they wish to make a call or record voice messages.

ENFORCEABILITY

If any provision of these Terms or Conditions is held to be invalid or not enforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction or Arbitrator, the relevant term is to be read down and severed to the extent of the invalidity or unenforceability without affecting the remaining provisions of these Terms or Conditions.

FEES AND CHARGES

All fees and charges are charged in US dollars and are immediately due and payable, non-refundable and subject to change. Fees do not cover any transport or accommodation expenses. If any registration fees due have not been paid before the commencement of the IAG EXPO, we reserve the right to cancel your registration without warning at any time prior to or during the IAG EXPO. If we do not exercise our rights of cancellation, delegates whose registration fees have not been paid by the start of the IAG EXPO shall be required to pay on-site to gain entry.

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We shall not be liable to you for any delay or failure to perform due to a natural disaster, actions or decrees of governmental bodies, communicable disease, epidemic, any curtailment to or cancellation of public transport, strikes or walkouts, acts or threats of terrorism or civil unrest, communications line failure or any other reason which (a) hinders, delays or prevents us in performing any of our obligations, (b) is beyond our control or without our fault or negligence, and (c) by the exercise of reasonable diligence we are unable to prevent or provide against ("Force Majeure Event"). In such circumstances, we shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of the time to perform. If the period of delay or non-performance continues for 30 or more calendar days, we may terminate all obligations and may or may not provide you with a refund, as appropriate in IAG's sole and absolute discretion.

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GOVERNING LAW AND DISPUTES

These Terms and Conditions are governed by the law of the Philippines. Each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Philippines. Any dispute under these Terms and Conditions shall first be attempted to be resolved by the good-faith and amicable negotiation of the relevant parties, and if not so possible, by Arbitration under the laws of the Philippines by a single impartial Arbitrator.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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While onsite at the IAG EXPO, attendees agree to comply with all health and safety screenings, laws and regulations with regard to current public health guidelines. By attending the IAG EXPO in-person you acknowledge any associated health risks and assume all associated liabilities. IAG has the right to remove you from the IAG EXPO for any safety reasons or if you refuse any safety screenings or procedures, or appear to be ill and present a risk to the health of others as determined in IAG's sole and absolute discretion.

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It is the responsibility of attendees to arrange appropriate insurance they may desire in connection with their attendance at the IAG EXPO.

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By attending the IAG EXPO, you acknowledge and agree to grant IAG the right at the IAG EXPO or associated or ancillary events, times, and locations to record, film, photograph or capture your likeness in any form of media and to distribute, broadcast, use or otherwise globally to disseminate, in perpetuity, such media without any further approval from you or any payment to you. This grant to IAG includes, but is not limited to, the right to edit such media, the right to use the media alone or together with other information, and the right to allow others to use and/or disseminate the media, with IAG's permission. The IP ownership of any video, still images or audio taken at the IAG EXPO ("IAG EXPO media") shall be owned exclusively by IAG, irrespective of how it was created and by whom. IAG grants you a free license to publish such "IAG EXPO media" on personal or corporate social media accounts but such license may be withdrawn by IAG at any time. Such withdrawal may be accompanied by a take-down notice which you agree will be complied with in no more than 48 hours. IAG may demand that you stop recording any "IAG EXPO media" at any time and if such request is made, you agree to do so.

PROGRAM CHANGES

We reserve the right to make any changes to the IAG EXPO at any time without prior written notice. Such changes may include but are not limited to changing the program, name, themes, content, speakers, performers, hosts, moderators, venue(s), date(s) or time(s).

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If you bring any property to the IAG EXPO venue, you do so at your own risk. We are not responsible for any loss and/or damage to such property.

PUBLICITY

IAG or any affiliated entity shall be entitled to refer to you as a client and/or your company in sales and marketing literature, including websites, and, if you are a firm or company, or you register in your capacity as a representative, employee, or owner of a company, reproduce your company's logo, trade mark or other branding collaterals for that purpose.

SOCIAL MEDIA

IAG allows delegates and speakers to make IAG EXPO-related posts on social media, but you agree that such posts shall be professional and appropriate and shall not constitute harassment or bullying of any other person.

SPEAKERS

Views expressed by speakers are their own. IAG shall have no liability for advice given, or views expressed, by any speaker at the IAG EXPO or in any material provided to attendees. IAG may use speaker names, likenesses, information and presentation materials for promoting the IAG EXPO or any other purpose without compensation to any speaker. Speaker materials must be objective, factual and free of advertising and commercialism. IAG may record speaker sessions in any manner whatsoever and any such recordings may be reproduced and/or sold by IAG in perpetuity in any manner.

TRAVEL

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You must comply with the rules and regulations governing the IAG EXPO venue.

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It is the sole responsibility of attendees to manage their visa requirements. If you require an entry visa, you must allow sufficient time for the visa application procedure. Your registration details may be shared with the immigration authorities to assist in the immigration process. To receive an invitation letter for the any part of the IAG EXPO, you must first register and pay all registration fees in full.

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Any failure, delay, relaxation or indulgence on the part of IAG in exercising, in part or whole, any power, right or remedy as part of these Terms and Conditions does not constitute a waiver of that power, right or remedy.

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