

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

BETWEEN:

The International Center for Responsible Gaming (ICRG)

AND

The International Problem Gambling and Gaming Certification Organization (IPGGC)

Made this 10 of April, 2026

1. Parties

International Center for Responsible Gaming (ICRG)

An independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to funding and advancing high-quality, peer-reviewed research on gambling disorder, responsible gambling, and related public health issues. ICRG supports evidence generation, knowledge translation, and education to inform policy, prevention strategies, and player protection initiatives worldwide, while maintaining strict safeguards to ensure scientific independence.

International Problem Gambling and Gaming Certification Organization (IPGGC)

An independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to establishing and maintaining international standards for the certification of professionals in problem gambling and gaming, supporting workforce development, continuing education, and professional excellence in prevention, treatment, and responsible gambling.

2. Purpose

This MOU outlines a framework for collaboration between ICRG and IPGGC to advance shared goals in research dissemination, professional education, and workforce development in responsible gambling and problem gambling.

- A. Strengthen the translation of research into professional practice through shared dissemination channels
- B. Expand access to continuing education opportunities for certified professionals
- C. Increase engagement between the research community and certified practitioners
- D. This MOU is not legally binding but may result in binding agreements through subsequent Statements of Work

- E. This MOU does not influence or impact any funding submissions made to ICRG by IPGGC or its affiliates

3. Scope of Collaboration

a. Research Dissemination & Promotion

- IPGGC will promote and link to ICRG-funded research, publications, and educational resources
- ICRG will support the translation of research findings into formats accessible to certified professionals

b. Events, Conferences, and Continuing Education

- IPGGC will promote ICRG conferences, webinars, and educational programming to its network of certified professionals for continuing education (CE) and recertification purposes
- ICRG will explore offering CE-eligible content aligned with IPGGC certification requirements through the Preferred Provider status
- IPGGC will encourage participation in the ICRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction, including pre-conference programming

c. Scholarships and Access Initiatives

- ICRG will explore dedicated or prioritized scholarships for IPGGC-certified professionals to attend ICRG conferences and events
- Opportunities for early or targeted promotion of these scholarships through IPGGC channels

d. Cross-Promotion and Communications

- Both organizations will collaborate on cross-promotion via email distribution lists, newsletters, and digital platforms
- Joint promotion of webinars, events, and educational initiatives

e. Future Collaborative Opportunities

- Exploration of co-developed educational content, training modules, or certification-aligned programming
- Opportunities to align research priorities with workforce development needs

4. Roles and Responsibilities

ICRG

- Provide access to research findings, publications, and educational resources
- Develop and deliver high-quality research-informed educational programming
- Facilitate engagement with the global research community
- Explore scholarship opportunities for IPGGC-certified professionals

IPGGC

- Promote ICRG research, events, and educational content to certified professionals
- Facilitate continuing education recognition for relevant ICRG programming
- Engage certified professionals in research-informed learning opportunities
- Provide guidance on certification requirements and professional development needs

5. Governance & Communication

- Regular communication (at least biannually) to review progress and identify new opportunities
- Commitment to early coordination on event promotion and educational initiatives
- Specific project plans, roles, and deliverables to be defined in separate agreements where needed

6. Financial Terms

- Each organization will bear its own costs unless otherwise agreed
- Any shared financial commitments will be defined in separate agreements

7. Confidentiality and Intellectual Property

- Both parties agree to maintain confidentiality of shared information
- Intellectual property rights remain with the originating organization unless otherwise agreed

8. Term and Termination

- This MOU takes effect upon signature and remains in force for one (1) year
- Renewable upon mutual agreement
- Either party may terminate with five (5) business days written notice
- Termination does not affect any separate binding agreements

Signatures

ICRG

Name: Michael Soll

Title: President



Signature:

Date: Apr 10, 2026

IPGGC

Name: Jody Bechtold

Title: Board President

Signature:



Date: April 11, 2026