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BILL EADINGTON is Professor of Economics and Director of the Institute for the Study of Gambling and Commercial Gaming, and holds the Philip G. Satre Chair in Gaming Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno. He is an internationally recognized authority on the legalization and regulation of commercial gambling, and has written extensively on issues relating to the economic and social impacts of commercial gaming.

Dr. Eadington holds a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Santa Clara University, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics from Claremont Graduate School. He has been with the University of Nevada, Reno since 1969. In leaves from UNR, he has twice served as an Academic Visitor to the London School of Economics. He has also served as a Visiting Professor at the Center for Addiction Studies, Harvard Medical School, and as a Visiting Lecturer at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. Since 1994, he has served as Visiting Professor to the Centre for the Study of Gambling and Commercial Gaming at the University of Salford (U.K.). He is presently working with universities in China, Macao, Canada, Slovenia, and Australia to develop courses and programs in Gaming Management and Gambling and Public Policy.

Eadington has served as the organizer of the First through Thirteenth International Conferences on Gambling and Risk Taking, dating since 1974, the next of which will take place at South Lake Tahoe, Nevada, in May, 2006. He has edited or co-edited a number of books, including *The Downside* (2003), *Finding the Edge* (2000), *The Business Of Gaming* (1999), *Gambling: Public Policies and the Social Sciences*, (1997); *Gambling and Public Policy: International Perspectives*, (1991); *Gambling and Commercial Gaming*, (1992); *Gambling Behavior and Problem Gambling*, (1993); *Gambling and Society*, (1976); *Indian Gaming and the Law*, (1990); and *Tourism Alternatives*, (1992).

Eadington has served as a consultant and advisor for governments and private sector organizations throughout the world on issues related to gaming laws, casino operations, regulation, gambling legalization, and public policy. He is a founding member of the International Academy for the Study of Tourism, and a former Associate Editor of the *Annals of Tourism Research*. He developed the Executive Development Program for Senior Casino Management through the University of Nevada, Reno, which has been offered annually since 1991. He is presently developing the *EXCELLENCE IN GAMING MANAGEMENT MASTERS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION* program, a joint venture of the University of Nevada, Reno and the University of Ljubljana (Slovenia.) This Executive MBA program is aimed at European gaming industries and regulatory bodies.

In 1989, Eadington was recognized by the National Council on Problem Gambling as the recipient of their Outstanding Research/Education Award and in 1990, he was awarded the University Foundation Professorship at the University of Nevada. In 2004, Professor Eadington was awarded the Philip G. Satre Chair of Gaming Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the National Council on Problem Gambling, the Nevada Council on Problem Gambling, and on the Advisory Board of the National Center for Responsible Gambling and South Africa's National Responsible Gambling Programme.