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### Multi-channel Gaming

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# GamBond™

- **Mission:** *Global Trust & Confidence*
- **Structure:** Independent, transparent, well-capitalised guarantee company
- **Product:** A financial guarantee of remote gaming gambling establishments
- **Triggers:** Insolvency, loss of license
- **Transparent:** Web-based disclosure  
FSA regulated

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# Gareth Wong

- 2002 Advised Camelot on their interactive strategy
- 2003 Conceived, devised & launched GamRock™ mobile gaming gambling brand & operation(s)
- 2004 Founded GamBond
- 2005 Published the “**mobile gambling** chapter” of “Internet Gambling Report”, covering iTV in 06
- 2005 Founded Gambit
- 2006 Founded **Gaming Money Summit**
- Also Board Advisor to Gaming Gambling and Telecom firms.



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# Remote e-Gaming market

Various 'Classes of jurisdictions':

- Liberal/self-regulation (e.g. Curacao, Antigua, Costa-Rica)
- Well regulated (Gibraltar, Alderney etc.)
- Previously over regulated (e.g. Isle of Man)
- **Up and coming** (e.g. Latvia, Philippines, Cyprus? Japan?, Macau?)

International legal minefield:

- Prohibitions (e.g. \*\*US, HK)
- Combinations (e.g. Korea, Australia, Holland)
- Laissez faire (e.g. UK, regulated from Sept07!!)

**ALL market Forecast goes out of the windows, since "Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act" [UIGE] passed in US.**

***Given tax clarification now, UK will NOT likely be leading the regulations.***

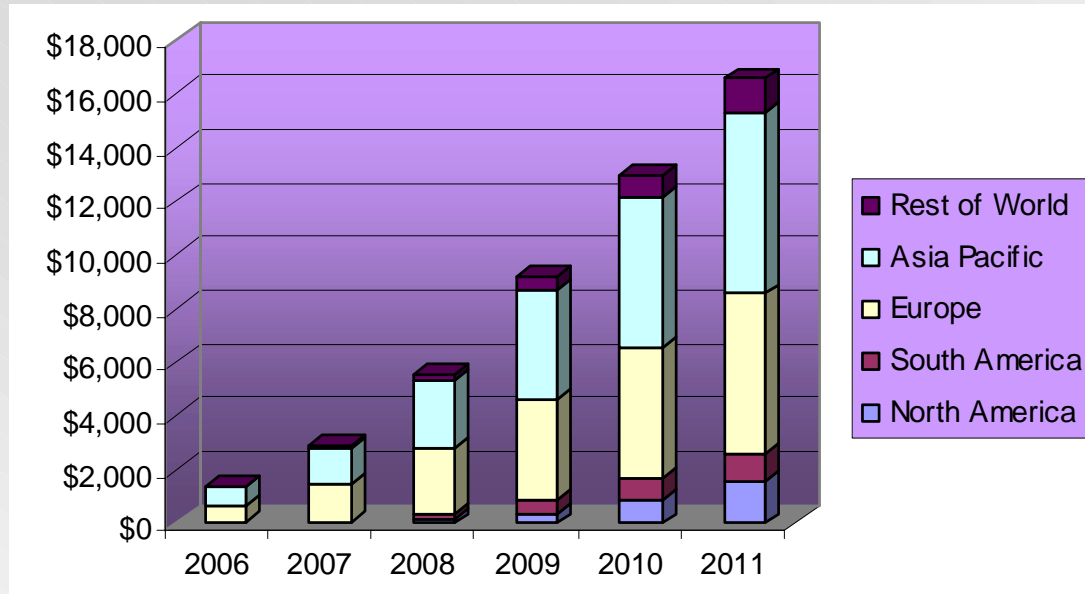
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# Mobile gambling market

Source: Juniper Research



➤ Break down by regions.

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# Mobile gambling market [2]

- Juniper Research:
- 2005/6 predictions: \$23bln by 2011
- 2007, prediction: \$16bln by 2011

Total Revenues from Mobile Gambling (Casino, Lotteries & Betting).  
Regional Forecast (\$m) 2006-2011

	2006	2011
North America	\$0	\$1,595
South America	\$20	\$1,011
Europe	\$665	\$5,936
Asia Pacific	\$647	\$6,767
Rest of the World	\$25	\$1,266
Total	<b>\$1,357</b>	<b>\$16,576</b>

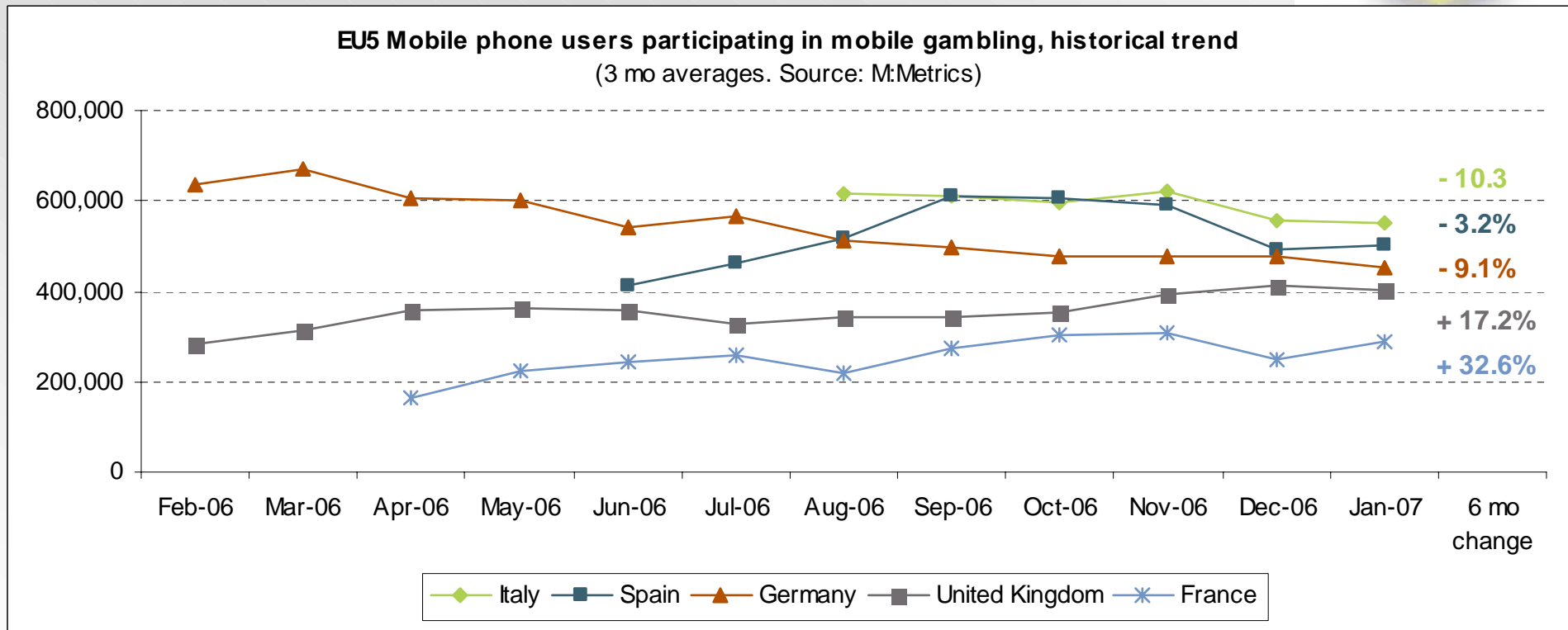
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- If we are honest with ourselves, **probably NO One can really say/predict!**

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# Real M-gambling usage

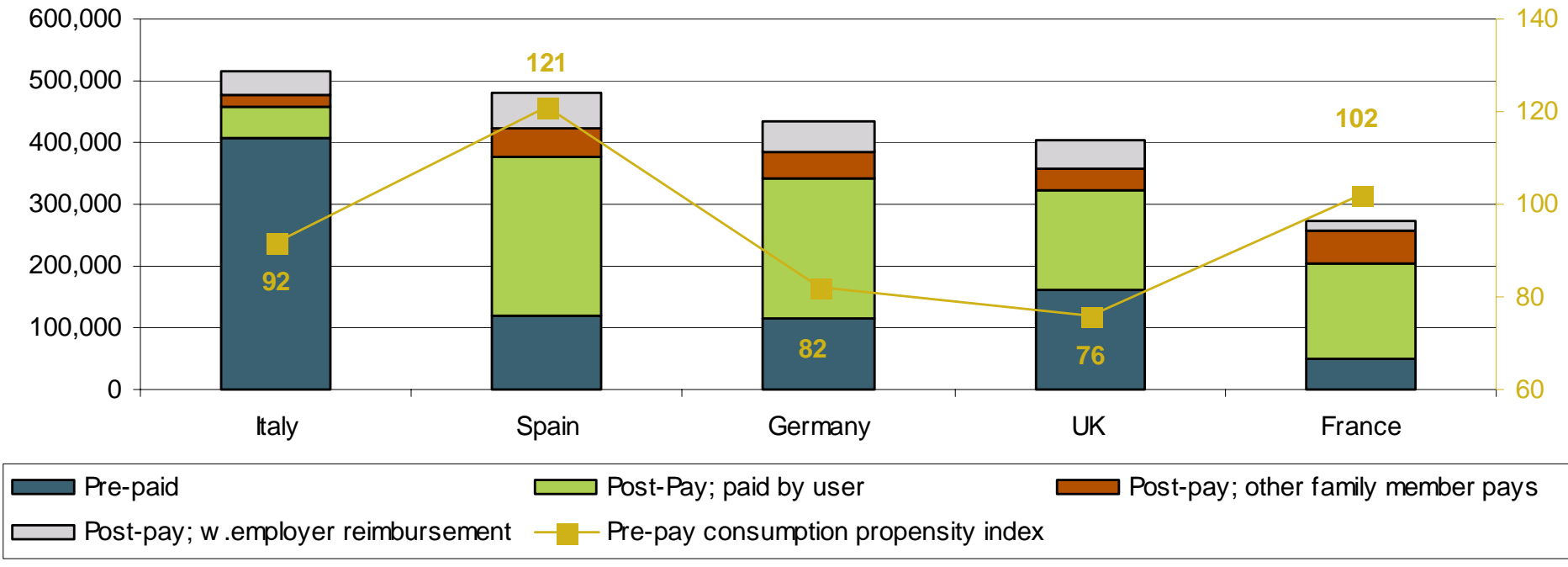


- In the 5 main EU markets, 2.2m consumers engage in real-money mobile gambling every month. It is still an embryonic service, with penetration ranging from 1.6% (Italy) to 0.7% (France)



# Real M-gambling usage cont.

**EU5 mobile phone users participating in mobile gambling, per plan type**  
(3 mo avg ending Jan '07. Source: M:Metrics)



## Pre-pay not a barrier to mobile gambling

- Whereas for most mobile content services, prepay users tend to consume less than contract users, the situation is not as clear-cut for mobile gambling
- In Italy and France, pre-pay users' likelihood to access mobile gambling services is similar to the market average; and in Spain they are 21% more likely to use mobile gambling services

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## Mobile Reality check [1]

**Mobile Technology *has been* & “*will be*” a *Success worldwide!***

**For what reason(s):**

- **Initial common standards (ETSI/GSM)**
- **Economic/communication boom**
- **Substantial infrastructure investments**
- **Fully (over) regulated, most cases state owned**
- **Usually 1 or 2 dominant player locally (economy of scale for number of customers)**

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## Mobile Reality check [2]

**Mobile content “*could still be*” a Success worldwide, but with challenges!**

**For what reason(s):**

- **Fragmentation of standards (GSM vs CDMA vs China’s CDMA vs. potentially )**
- **Saturations in developing countries (still big growth in developing or tech. Developing countries)**
- **OVER infrastructure investments (3G)**
- **Fragmentation of mobile operators/ Service providers (+ MVNOs) (supermarket!?)**

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## Market pressure

*Mobile operators are desperate to diversify their revenue streams!*

For what reason(s):

- Saturation (e.g. 110%+ penetration) means squeeze on profit/growth
- Users still mainly use mobile for ‘voice’, not as much data/content as expected (hyped MMS, video not taken off yet)
- Competing consortia moves into payment failed
- Still pretty much a ‘pipe’
- Not efficient CRMs from industry incumbents

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## Mobile trends

### Key trends:

- **Diversifications, incumbent focusing on new 'niches' either by brands or tariffs or bundling**
- **User generated content portals (e.g. SeeMeeTV)**
- **Misuse of premium rate charging (tel. Or mobile)**

### Results:

- **MVNOs, tariffs and different data or mobile bundles confuses new customers further**
- **MNO desperately trying to move up the value chain (overtly or not)**
- **Potential confusion & mistrust regarding contents**

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## TV Reality check [1]

*TV is the 'family medium', therefore 'trusted' until proven otherwise.*

**Consequently:**

- **Generally well regulated worldwide (both on content and advertising)**
- **Separated into 'state owned' or commercial**
- **Perfect to leverage the 'channel' into people's lives (family/individuals).**
- **Becoming more targeted niches (men, business, women channel etc.)**

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# TV Reality check [2]

Market Supply Structure

## *Challenges of TV!*

### ➤ Access:

- Return path for broadcast TV
- Not yet achieved scale of interactive TV platform

### ➤ Monetising:

- Typically by advertising
- Prize competitions : Premium telephone lines or SMS

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## TV Market pressure

***Saturations & Total media fragmentations!***

**For what reason(s):**

- **Too many channels, terrestrial plus satellites & cables**
- **Plus access to various contents (e.g. DVDs, IPTV, & other internet contents)**
- **Advertising shrinkage: Above the line marketing budget shift towards other medium [online, print & other type of marketing (gurella, viral etc.)]**

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## TV trends

### *Key trends!*

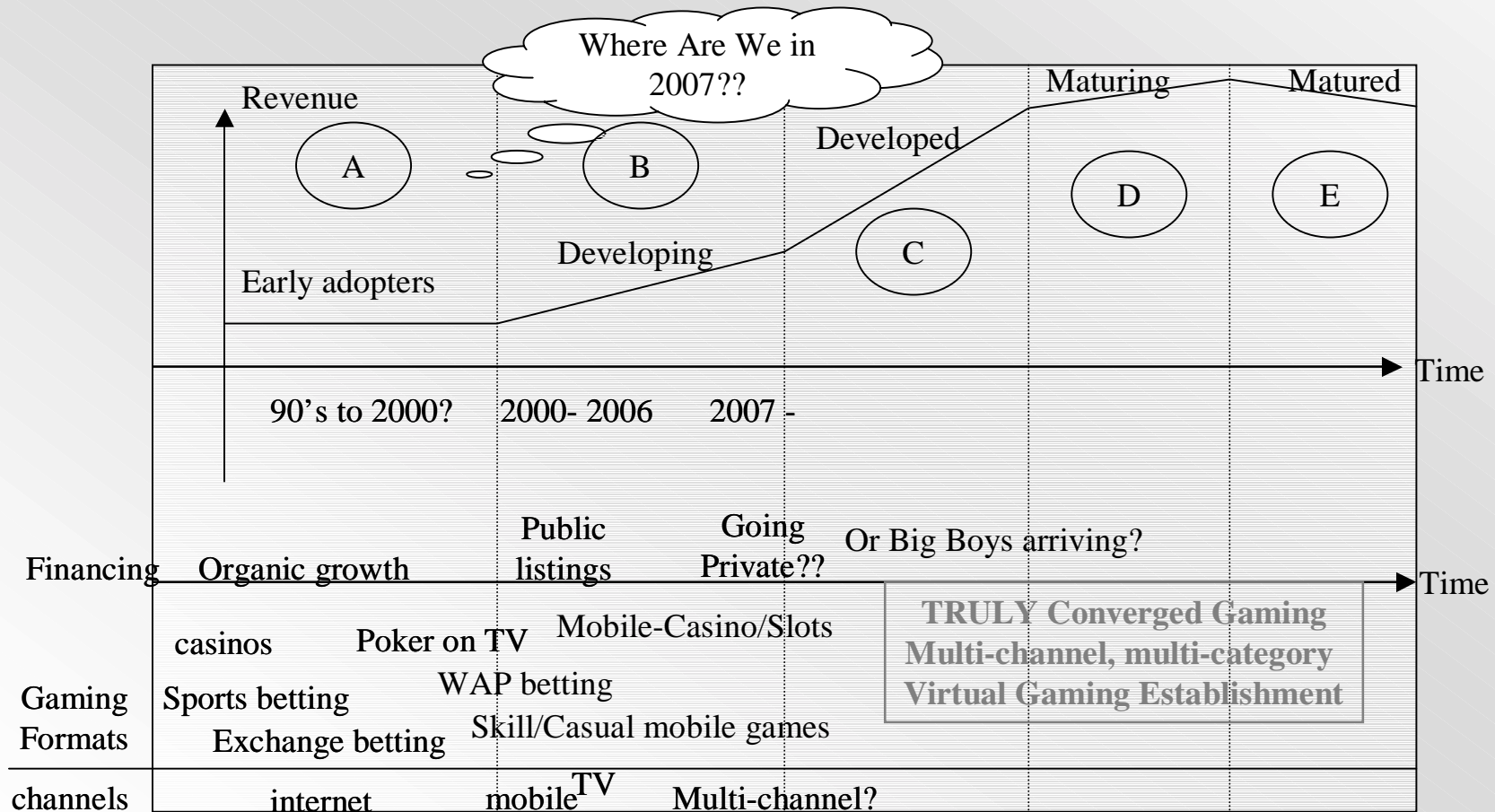
#### Focus on new & 'fresh' contents:

- **New Formats (entertainment): Wife swaps, Big brother, Deal or no deal, Apprentice, etc.**
- **Dramas (culture forming soap), Sopranos, Desperate housewives, Heros, Dallas,**
- **Cinemas: hollywood, bollywood, national themes**
- **Mini-series/episodes (ad-funded Mobile, IPTV)**
- **Viral contents (drive awareness or viewers)**
- **Community driving traffic (Myspace etc.)**

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# Multi-channel Gambling Industry LifeCycle



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# Regional Challenge, USA/CA

(Results gathered by worldwide expertise in the last two days Mobile Gambling Summit America Oct2006.)

Everyone is adopting, wait & see or damage limitations.

Find & work with WHAT are legal:

- LEGAL way (Horse racing, Casinos, state lotteries etc. ... )
- Skill gaming?! Walt Disney etc. Signed Fun Technologies...
- Q: WHO Makes money!?
- Solving the payment challenge 'anyone'?

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## Regional Challenge, Asia [2]

Legally: challenge is whether/how/when to enforce the law  
(towards consumers, operators or those get caught?)

Consider:

1. Identify key partners

a. Identify future trends

b. Keep track of key stake holders

2. Find, locate & 'befriend' the lawful licensees

3. Know what 'role' you play (s/w, payment, marketing, etc.)

4. Establish viable, legal & scalable business model

5. Situations are games & jurisdiction specific!

**6. Working with Telecom & TV regulators are key!**

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## The Goals/Prizes

➤ **Profit? No. of Customers? Geographical region?**

**KEY:**

➤ **Seamless Signup, Pay-in/out & via mobile**

➤ **Asia or South America could be the best prize or just a market that is RIPE for...**

➤ **Devising/Finding the Holy Grail (right products/format/game/ cost vs prizes) for your target market!?**

➤ **but WHO are in the best position??**

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## Common Thread

### Multi-channel Gambling: *Key Success Factors*

- ***LONG Game: Has to be legal (Legal fees can't avoid, probably need lobbying & political investments!)***
- Trust/confidence/ Brands
- Gaming formats (for the right channel)
- Easy of use (KYC, deposit, withdraw)
- Distribution (Viral promotion, retail, direct mail, partner channels)
- **Focus on changing/ identifying *culture forming habits.***

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## Trust of Brands

- Mobile & TV is best (only?) way to reach the mass market (when they can't visit the gaming venue!)
- Mass market is brand conscious (loyal!?)
- More trust with Movistar/ Telefonica/ Vodafone/O2/ Orange, or HBO/Canal+/Channel 9 etc. than generic names like 'JackPotMobile' or "jack pot TV" etc.
- *We now have Virgin Games & Endemol Gaming!*

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## Gaming format

- So far, mainly product extensions of existing online products
- Need to bear in mind the target audience & what they aim to do whilst mobile or on TV (broadcast or interactive)?
- Appropriate products for channel & target is KEY, (e.g. 'how lo' from million21, racing TV)
- Maximise the use of capability of handset or TV return paths (e.g. new Mobile/TV poker clients)

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## Ease of use

- Can you signup from mobile or TV directly? (via WAP, SMS or J2ME clients? Or a telephone call?)
- Do all the necessary KYC on mobile or via TV?
- Call-centre call back appropriate?
- Mobile/TV or offline deposit/withdraw possible?
- Self regulations top-up: adopting & developing Best practices, industry code of practice

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# Distribution

- Acquire new or 'monetise' existing user base?
- What is the RoI of the campaign?
- What are the demographic of mobile/TV gamblers?
- How to target them? (online, mobile, flyers, beer mats? Sport-programs?)
- How to 'deliver' the content?

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# Opportunities

- New Games: Skill & Casual Gaming with community
- Seamless Mobile & TV payments (national & international) for Provider of traffic (portal, mobile search, opt-in databases)
- Creator of traffic: World poker tour on TV!
- Security software (needed to build trust if consumer is aware of any risk)
- True multi-channel gaming (TV, mobile, billboard, online, shops etc.)
- Learn from experiences, ITV-PLAY (PRS) in UK

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## Where are the opportunities?

- Mobile & TV the best direct personal channel: TRUE
- People are starting to transact on mobile for micro payments (lottery, car parking tickets etc.): True
- Good channel, but is it for Gambling?: jury is still out (or not as we know it!)
- Product extensions going to be successful: Probably NOT!
- Waiting for the right games format/ marketing/educational push: TRUE
- Argue: Success is overdue for iTV & mobile gambling will also be substantial, but **NEED** investment & collaborations!!

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# Future of multi-channel gaming

- Already successful content that has established following is key, rather than pure-product extensions.
- Leverage geographical opportunities based on your company's strength
- *Driven by Creatives, Brands, & local knowledge.*
- Key is to **KNOW** the customers' needs/wants on mobile, iTV & online: **When What How Why?!**
- + **LEGAL!!**
- **Would be driven** by one channel (e.g. right format on broadcast TV)
- **Critical mass is key: Media play key roles** (e.g. Cultural forming TV/Radio programs)

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