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Responsible Gambling Trust launches Annual Report at ICE Totally Gaming 2015

The Responsible Gambling Trust's Annual Report will reveal that it raised £6.3million in 2013-14 for harm prevention, treatment and research into problem gambling in the UK. The information will be provided in the national gambling charity's first publicly distributed Annual Report.

As a registered charity the Responsible Gambling Trust is required to submit a report and financial statements to the Charity Commission and this information is now being made more widely available in order to raise awareness of the charity's work. The report celebrates the recent publication of a significant body of independent research into B2 gaming machines and the commencement of a two and half year funding agreement with the Gordon Moody Association for residential treatment services.

The Annual Report will be formally launched at a reception for industry donors and stakeholders on Tuesday 3rd February at the Excel Centre in London during ICE Totally Gaming 2015. The launch takes place at 6pm in the South Gallery Rooms 9 & 10. The reception will be an opportunity to hear about the Responsible Gambling Trust's plans for 2015, including a programme of research into remote gambling behaviour and a new funding agreement with GamCare to provide advice services.

Marc Etches, Chief Executive of the Responsible Gambling Trust, said:

"The Responsible Gambling Trust had a successful 2014 and I would like to thank all those businesses and individuals that have donated or otherwise supported the charity in the last 12 months. The success of the Responsible Gambling Trust rests in donors having confidence that money is being spent to achieve successful outcomes in relation to research, treatment and harm prevention. We are committed to transparency and helping the industry to better know and understand what makes a difference in terms of minimising gambling-related harm."

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NOTES TO EDITORS

- The Responsible Gambling Trust is the leading charity in the UK committed to minimising gambling-related harm. As an independent national charity funded by donations from the gambling industry, the Responsible Gambling Trust funds education, prevention and treatment services and commissions research to broaden public understanding of gambling-related harm. The aim is to stop people getting into problems with their gambling, and ensure that those that do develop problems receive fast and effective treatment and support.
- The Responsible Gambling Trust raises a minimum of £5million each year from the gambling industry operating in Britain within a voluntary (donation based) system and funds research, education, prevention and treatment services. Funding priorities are guided by the national strategy advised by the Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB) and endorsed by the Gambling Commission. The latest strategy was published in December 2012.