

# GBG The Gambling Business Group

## PRESS CUTTINGS

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## INTERGAME

Triennial: 'Bring it on'

**Following the UK's General Election and the reshuffling of key ministerial posts within the British government, there is some relief expressed in the gaming industry that the familiar faces of Karen Bradley and Tracey Crouch will remain in their previous roles at the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, which governs British gambling.**

Nick Harding, chairman of the Gambling Business Group, welcomed their continued presence and immediately called for an urgent meeting between industry and DCMS to get the Triennial Review back on track. The review is the upgrading of stakes and prizes in gambling which takes place in the UK every three years.

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He was supported by his CEO at the Gambling Business Group, Peter Hannibal, who said: "Uncertainty is the enemy of business and it will be interesting to see how the new political landscape impacts the triennial.

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