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This track explores various aspects of behavioural addictions beyond substance use disorders. It covers the treatment of behavioural addictions generally and considers public health harms associated with them.

- > Understanding behavioural addictions beyond substance use disorder and co-occurring disorders.
- > Neuroscience and biology of behavioural addictions.
- > Treatment and other interventions for behavioural addictions and transdiagnostic features related to behavioural addictions.
- > Behavioural addictions in diverse groups: including minorities, sex, and gender-related considerations; digital technology use by children and adolescents.
- > Policies and regulations in the study of behavioural addictions.
- > Controversies in behavioural addictions.
- > New developments in video gaming and disordered gaming.
- > Focus on specific and new areas: buying-shopping disorder and problematic social media use. Sexual behaviour disorder, problematic pornography use, interactive gambling, sports/esports gambling.

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This track focuses on assessing the latest developments and challenges in drug policies across the globe, and their implications for policy and practice.

- > Latest developments in drug markets including the rise of opioid use, amphetamine-type stimulants, concurrent use of multiple substances, and regional developments in Africa, Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Americas.
- > New frontiers for drug policy including psychedelics, early-warning systems, decriminalisation of personal possession of all drugs, cannabis legalisation and regulation, and novel treatment approaches.
- > Current challenges in global, regional and national drug policy, particularly reducing unmet demand for drug treatment, reducing stigma and discrimination for people who use drugs, decolonising drug policy and avenues to build government preparedness.
- > Advances in criminal legal strategies intended to reduce harms related to drug trafficking, drug markets, and substance use (e.g. diversion or deflection programmes, new technologies).
- > Optimal data systems: for monitoring drug market trends, strengthening early warning and preparedness, and evaluating policy impacts.

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This open track welcomes submissions on topics related to addictive behaviours that may not fall within the specific focus of the co-produced tracks listed above.

Submissions that explore intersections between addiction and factors, such as gender, race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, and mental health are encouraged, as are those that examine the impact of addiction on under-served and under-represented populations and propose strategies to address health disparities. We particularly welcome submissions on these topics and from studies where impacted communities and people with lived experience have been active co-producers in the research process

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