

## **Third Parties Risks**

#### WHAT IS THIS RISK ABOUT?

Third parties risks refer to risks associated with outsourcing to third-party vendors or service providers. They can include the risk of disruption of customer service; compliance and legal risks; and information security risks as third parties often develop and operate gaming systems, operate retail stores, supply physical scratch cards, perform marketing campaigns or service the drawing machine.

#### WHY SHOULD YOUR LOTTERY BE CONCERNED?

- Reputational impact: Damage arising from third-party behavior.
- <u>Financial impact:</u> Impact due to financial fraud or exposure created by third-party behavior, as well as failure of financial viability of third-party impacting delivery.
- Operational impact: Breakdown in supply chain due to failure of third parties and disruption in customer service due to third parties
- Legal impact: Breach of regulation or law through third-party action.

#### **HOW TO MINIMISE THIS RISK?**

Actions (best practices) presented herein could be implemented to minimise risk and ensure more effective risk management.

### Onboarding and due diligence

- Make sure that exchanged sensitive information are kept confidential by third parties.
- Select reliable and mature third parties in the RFP process.
- Assess if outsourcing concerns a critical or important function.
- Identify and assess all the relevant risks of outsourcing.
- Perform due diligence on the prospective service provider.
- Identify and assess conflicts of interest that outsourcing may cause.
- Reserve the termination rights and plan the exit strategy for critical functions.

### Ongoing monitoring

- Identify changing scope of relationship and update risk assessment.
- Identify changing business strategy.
- Changing personnel, operations or products.
- Ensure the products and services delivered.

### Third parties risk governance

- Maintain an updated list of suppliers and related contracts.
- Manage the risk of critical suppliers.
- Manage the risk of complete dependence on a single supplier.
- Establish contingency plans for when a third-party is deemed below quality or breach of contract.



# MAIN QUESTIONS TO KNOW THE STATUS OF YOUR LOTTERY IN RELATION TO THIS RISK

#### Questions/Answers

- YES: It is implemented in your lottery
- NO: It is not implemented in your lottery
- PARTIALLY: It is partially implemented

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Do you use non-disclosure agreements (NDA) covering also data protection requirements?	Yes/partially/No
Are legal, compliance, quality, and security requirements included in the RFP and	Yes/partially/No
contracting processes?	
Do you perform an assessment if the functions are critical for sales/revenue or important for business continuity?	Yes/partially/No
Do you have a risk assessment including operational, reputational, compliance, financial and strategic risks?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform a due diligence of the third-party using risk-based approach?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform an assessment of the possible conflicts of interest?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform a risk assessment of the dependency on the supplier and definition of the provisions for exit strategy in the contract?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform periodic checks of the scope of the relationship and updated risk assessment in case of significant change of the scope?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform periodic checks of the changes in the ownership, structure changes and financial status reports etc. published in business registers using risk-based approach?	Yes/partially/No
Do you track changes in your supplier's personnel and operations?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform periodic checks of required certifications and other compliance requirements?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform audits for high-risk suppliers based on the risk assessment?	Yes/partially/No
Is there a definition and monitoring of partner performance based on business metrics (KPIs, KRIs and SLAs)?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform tests and inspections of delivered products and services?	Yes/partially/No
Is there collaboration on risk management with key suppliers and partners?	Yes/partially/No
Do you perform a periodic evaluation of the incidents concerning the supplier, definition and tracking of the correction measures?	Yes/partially/No
Do you have a policy for third party risk management?	Yes/partially/No
Do you have a Code of Conduct for third party?	Yes/partially/No
Is there a designated person/department responsible for the cooperation with the suppliers?	Yes/partially/No
Do you have a regularly updated list of suppliers, detailing services they provide, severity of those services, responsible person, and other details?	Yes/partially/No
Is third-party risk regularly assessed and reported to the management/board?	Yes/partially/No
Is there a strategy to avoid dependence on a single supplier?	Yes/partially/No
Do you have a contingency plan for critical suppliers?	Yes/partially/No