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New NovoLine titles released

NOVOMATIC Gaming UK is growing its portfolio with two titles for its B3 NovoLine cabinets for arcades and bingo halls.

Asian Flower Plus, out now, offers the potential for big wins set among a tranquil Asian-themed garden of blossoming

lotus flowers. Players on £1 and £2 stakes can also enjoy the Flower Bonus feature, where a base win of 2x or more may cause the bonus wheel to blossom into action.

In addition, Belldorado launch in February with re-triggerable free games and plenty of chances for boosted payouts.

Novomatic Gaming UK has lined up new launches each month throughout 2026.

COMPANY NEWS

Ainsworth Game Technology Faces Second Takeover Bid

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Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd ([ASX:AGI](#)), a company that designs, develops, and distributes gaming machines and associated technology, is the target of a second off-market takeover bid by Kjerulf David Hastings Ainsworth. Mr. Ainsworth is seeking to acquire 5.5% of the company's fully paid ordinary shares. Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer, acting on behalf of Mr. Ainsworth, announced the release of the First Supplementary Bidder's Statement to the ASX on March 30, 2026.

The First Supplementary Bidder's Statement, dated March 30, 2026, supplements Mr. Ainsworth's original bidder's statement dated March 12, 2026. The offer, priced at \$1.30 per share, is now open for acceptance and will remain open until 7:00 PM (Sydney time) on April 27, 2026, unless extended or withdrawn. The document has been lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) and served to AGI.

ASIC has granted Mr. Ainsworth relief under section 655A(1) of the Corporations Act, allowing him to disclose his relevant interest and voting power in AGI as of March 27, 2026, rather than the original offer date. As of March 27, 2026, Mr. Ainsworth's voting power in AGI was 8.24%, and he held a relevant interest in 27,748,217 shares.

The supplementary statement also details on-market purchases of AGI shares made by Mr. Ainsworth in the four months leading up to March 27, 2026, with prices ranging from \$1.04 to \$1.20 per share. Kjerulf David Hastings Ainsworth approved and signed the First Supplementary Bidder's Statement.

automatenmarkt.de, 27.03.2026

Löwen Dart-Portal für effiziente Online-Verwaltung

Das neue Löwen Dart-Portal ermöglicht die zentrale Online-Verwaltung aller Löwen Dart-HB10 mit aktivem HB10-Feature-Pass.

Laut Löwen Entertainment stehen Betriebsstatus, Umsatz- und Spieldaten in Echtzeit zur Verfügung. Zusätzlich ließen sich über das Löwen Dart-Portal eigene Medieninhalte auf dem oberen Monitor des HB10 ausspielen.



Eigene Medieninhalte auf dem oberen Monitor

„Der Zugang erfolgt über www.loewen-dartportal.de mit den bekannten Login-Daten aus dem Löwen-Kundenportal. Die HB10-Geräte mit aktivem Feature Pass werden automatisch angezeigt“, so Löwen Entertainment.

Weitere Funktionen seien bereits in Planung.

gamingintelligence.com, 27.03.2026

Ainsworth appoints Novomatic chairwoman to Board of Directors

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Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) has appointed Novomatic chairwoman Birgit Wimmer as a non-executive director of the company.

Wimmer was **recently appointed** chairwoman of the Supervisory Board of Novomatic, which owns a 66.84 per cent controlling stake in Ainsworth.

She also serves as a Board Member of Novum Swiss AG, a Swiss holding and management company that owns 10 per cent of Novomatic, and managing director of Novo Invest, an Austrian holding company that owns 90 per cent of Novomatic, of which Wimmer is a 5 per cent shareholder.

Prior to her current roles in Novomatic and its holding companies, Wimmer worked in investment banking with Girozentrale and CAIB Investment Bank in London and Prague. She has also previously held non-executive board positions at ACE Beteiligungsmanagement (chairwoman), Casino Bad Ragatz, MCL-Resorts, Casino Interlaken and Casino Locarno.

She currently holds gaming related licenses in Australia, Europe, Canada and the United States.

“We welcome Birgit as a non-executive director of AGT,” said chairman Danny Gladstone. “Given her extensive knowledge of international gaming gained through her corporate experience at Novomatic AG we believe she will complement the Board’s current skills and provide added value to Board deliberations.”

In light of the directorships and shareholding interest in Novomatic, Novum Swiss and Novo Invest, Ainsworth’s Board does not consider Wimmer to be an independent director of the company.

Accordingly, strict governance protocol will be initiated to ensure Wimmer does not participate in any matters that could or could be perceived to give rise to a conflict of interest.

Wimmer will hold office until Ainsworth’s 2026 Annual General Meeting, when she will stand for re-election in accordance with the company’s constitution.

Shares in **Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd (ASX:AGI)** closed 4.03 per cent lower at A\$1.19 per share in Sydney Friday.



27.03.2026

Löwen Dart: Portal für effiziente Online-Verwaltung

Löwen Darts verbessert mit einem neuen Portal die Online-Verwaltung. Das Portal ermöglicht die zentrale Online-Verwaltung aller Löwen Dart HB10-Geräte mit einem aktiven HB 10 Feature Pass. Betriebsstatus, Umsatz- und Spieldaten stehen laut Anbieter in Echtzeit zur Verfügung. Zusätzlich lassen sich über das Portal eigene Medieninhalte auf dem oberen Monitor des HB10 ausspielen. Der Zugang erfolgt über www.loewen-dartportal.de mit den bekannten Login-Daten aus dem Löwen-Kundenportal. Die HB10-Geräte mit aktivem Feature Pass werden automatisch angezeigt. Weitere Funktionen seien bereits in Planung, heißt es in der Unternehmensmitteilung.

Mit dem HB10 Feature Pass möchte Löwen Dart in die nächste Entwicklungsstufe des digitalen E-Dartssports einleiten. Der HB10 Feature Pass ermöglicht es erstmals, die 2K Dart Software auf dem HB10 zu nutzen. Aufstellunternehmer und Gastwirte können „effizient, automatisiert und mit minimalem Aufwand“ Turniere am Aufstellort organisieren, verspricht Stefan Mathes, Leiter Löwen Dart.

Bild: Löwen Entertainment

agbrief.com, 26.03.2026

Ainsworth appoints Novomatic board member Birgit Wimmer as non-executive director



Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) has announced the appointment of Novomatic board member Birgit Wimmer as a non-executive director, subject to regulatory approvals.

The group announced the appointment on Thursday, with the appointment of the Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board of Novomatic 'to take effect immediately'.

Speaking of the appointment, AGT's Chairman Danny Gladstone noted "We welcome Birgit as a non-executive director of AGT. Given her extensive knowledge of international gaming gained through her corporate experience at Novomatic AG we believe she will complement the Board's current skills and provide added value to Board deliberations".



Birgit Wimmer

The appointment comes after a **failed takeover of AGT by Novomatic**, with an unconditional off-market bid lapsing in early February.

Novomatic's last disclosed holding on January 29th stood at 66.59 percent of AGT, up from 52.9 percent at the start of the offer in August 2025, but still short of the 75 percent required to take Ainsworth private.



Wimmer personally has a 5 percent stake in Novomatic, with the group's Thursday filing noting that 'the Board does not consider Ms. Wimmer to be an independent director of the company. Accordingly, strict governance protocol will be initiated to ensure Ms Wimmer does not participate in any matters that could or could be perceived to give rise to a conflict of interest'.

Ainsworth heir Kjerulf Ainsworth, a major shareholder, in early March announced plans for an **all-cash proportional takeover bid** for AGT, aiming to purchase 5.5 percent of the company's outstanding stock that he does not already own.

Ainsworth currently holds about 27.5 million shares in AGT, representing approximately 8.17 percent of the company's issued capital. If the offer is fully accepted by other shareholders, his stake would rise to roughly 13.25 percent.

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Novomatic chair Birgit Wimmer joins Ainsworth as non-executive director



by Newsdesk — Thu 26 Mar 2026 at 17:05



Australian slot machine supplier Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) has announced the appointment of Birgit Wimmer, current Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board of its controlling shareholder Novomatic AG, as a new non-executive director.

Wimmer – who is also Managing Director and a 5% shareholder in Novomatic's holding company Novo Invest GmbH – joins in the wake of the [European gaming giant's recent takeover bid](#), which saw its stake in AGT increase from 52.9% to 66.59%. That interest has since climbed above 67%.

In a filing, AGT noted that Wimmer's professional history reflects a long-term involvement in corporate governance within Novomatic's ownership and holding framework, adding that she currently holds gaming related licenses across Australia, Europe, Canada and the United States.

Due to her directorships and shareholding interest in Novomatic, AGT said it does not consider Wimmer to be an independent director of the company and as strict governance protocol will be initiated to ensure she does not participate in any matters that could or could be perceived to give rise to a conflict of interest.

"We welcome Birgit as a non-executive director of AGT," said Chairman Danny Gladstone.

"Given her extensive knowledge of international gaming gained through her corporate experience at Novomatic AG, we believe she will complement the Board's current skills and provide added value to Board deliberations."

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Ainsworth appoints Novomatic chair to board after bid lapse



Written by [Rajashree Seal](#) • Thu, 26 Mar 2026

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Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) has appointed Novomatic board member Birgit Wimmer as a non-executive director, a move that comes weeks after the Austrian gaming group's takeover attempt for the Australian supplier lapsed.

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The company announced on Thursday that Wimmer's appointment, subject to regulatory approvals, will take effect immediately. She currently serves as [Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board of Novomatic](#), AGT's majority shareholder.

AGT Chairman Danny Gladstone welcomed the addition to the board, stating, *"We welcome Birgit as a non-executive director of AGT. Given her extensive knowledge of international gaming gained through her corporate experience at Novomatic AG we believe she will complement the Board's current skills and provide added value to Board deliberations"*.

Extensive governance and gaming experience

Wimmer brings decades of corporate and governance experience across the gaming and finance sectors. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of Novum Swiss AG and Managing Director of Novo Invest GmbH, a Novomatic holding company in which she personally holds a 5 percent stake.

Before joining Novomatic's leadership structure, she worked in investment banking with Girozentrale and CAIB Investment Bank in London and Prague. She has previously served as a non-executive board member at ACE Beteiligungsmanagement AG, where she was Chairwoman, as well as at Casino Bad Ragatz, MCL-Resorts AG, Casino Interlaken AG, and Casino Locarno SA.

Her professional background demonstrates long-standing involvement in corporate governance within Novomatic's ownership structure. Wimmer also holds gaming licences in multiple jurisdictions, including Australia, Europe, Canada, and the United States, issued by various regulatory authorities. She holds a Master of Finance (MSc) and a Master of Business Administration (MBA).

Independence and governance safeguards

Due to [her leadership roles](#) and shareholding ties to Novomatic and its related entities, AGT stated that Wimmer will not be considered an independent director.

The company said strict governance protocols will be implemented to prevent her participation in matters that could create or be perceived as conflicts of interest, particularly those involving Novomatic.

Her tenure extends to AGT's 2026 Annual General Meeting, where she will retire and present herself for re-election under the company's constitution.

Appointment follows collapsed takeover bid

The board change follows Novomatic's [unsuccessful attempt to acquire full control of AGT](#) after failing to reach the required threshold. AGT terminated its transaction implementation deed with Novomatic after the unconditional off-market takeover bid for all outstanding shares closed on 6 February 2026, without becoming effective by the agreed deadline.

Novomatic's stake had increased during the offer period, rising from 52.9 percent in August 2025 to 66.59 percent by 29 January 2026. However, this remained below the 75 percent ownership required to take AGT private, causing the bid to lapse.

The takeover attempt unfolded amid competing efforts by AGT founder and major shareholder Kjerulf David Hastings Ainsworth, who sought to consolidate family control of the company.

Counter-bid from Ainsworth family

Earlier in March, Ainsworth heir Kjerulf Ainsworth announced plans for an all-cash proportional takeover bid aimed at acquiring an additional 5.5 percent of AGT shares not already owned by him.

He currently holds approximately 27.5 million shares, representing about 8.17 percent of the company's issued capital. If fully accepted by other shareholders, his stake would increase to roughly 13.25 percent.

The move highlighted ongoing shareholder manoeuvring following Novomatic's unsuccessful attempt to assume full control.

Background on the companies

Founded in Australia in 1995, Ainsworth Game Technology is a long-established manufacturer and supplier of gaming machines and related technologies. The company operates across the Asia-Pacific region, the Americas, and Europe and is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

Novomatic, headquartered in Austria, is one of the world's largest gaming technology groups. It operates casinos and gaming equipment businesses in more than 45 countries and supplies products to thousands of gaming venues globally.

focusgn.com, 26.03.2026

Novomatic chair Wimmer joins Ainsworth Game Technology board



Wimmer will be treated as a non-independent director.

Australia.- **Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT)** has appointed Novomatic chair **Birgit Wimmer** as a non-executive director, subject to the necessary regulatory approvals. The appointment follows Novomatic's failed attempt to take over AGT, after its unconditional off-market bid expired in February.

In January, Wimmer became the first woman to chair **Novomatic's supervisory board**. She was previously chair of the board of directors at NOVO SWISS AG, Novomatic's Swiss holding company, and managing director of Austria-based Novo Invest GmbH.

AGT said Wimmer will bring additional expertise to the board, particularly in corporate governance, finance and international gaming operations. AGT Chairman **Danny Gladstone** said: "Given her extensive knowledge of international gaming gained through her corporate experience at Novomatic AG, we believe she will complement the Board's current skills and provide added value to Board deliberations."

Due to her ties with Novomatic, Wimmer will be treated as a non-independent director with governance protocols in place to manage any potential conflicts of interest.

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NOVOMATIC partners with Aristocrat's Awager to stream live land-based slot games in Europe



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NOVOMATIC has entered into a collaboration with **Aristocrat** through its **Awager** platform. Awager, acquired by Aristocrat last year, is a provider of live slot streaming solutions that seek to bridge the gap between land-based and online gaming.

As the Awager platform expands its footprint across Europe, **the team will work with NOVOMATIC** to deliver live-streamed land-based gaming content to players in regulated markets.

By collaborating with NOVOMATIC, **the Awager platform gains access to a portfolio of land-based titles**, market know-how, and the company's experience developing gaming technology for the European market.

This will enable Awager to bring more land-based entertainment to its customers, while NOVOMATIC further extends the reach of its slot content across land-based, online, and live-streamed environments.

Awager's streaming platform uses a modular system and state-of-the-art studio technology to stream real physical slot machine experiences from dedicated casino studios. Multiple camera angles, sound capture, and a seamless digital interface replicate the atmosphere of a live casino floor.

Thomas Schmalzer, VP Global Sales and VP Product Management at NOVOMATIC AG, emphasized the strategic importance of the relationship: "Awager's decision to work with NOVOMATIC highlights our role as the leading technology partner in Europe."

"By combining our long-standing land-based expertise with Awager's pioneering streaming solution, we are extending the boundaries of the player experience and setting new standards for immersive gaming. **This cooperation strengthens our presence in key markets and demonstrates the continued relevance of NOVOMATIC technology across all channels.**"

Roy Greenbaum, Awager Co-Founder & SVP, said: "We're excited to be working with NOVOMATIC to expand our footprint across key regulated markets and together we are setting a new standard for live, land-based slot experiences online in Europe.

"Great content is at the core of bringing the best entertainment responsibly to customers and their players. This milestone reflects our commitment to providing European players a unique online gaming experience with authentic and engaging slot content."

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Ainsworth To Showcase Expanding Portfolio at IGA 2026

March 25, 2026



SAN DIEGO, CA – Global gaming supplier Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) will exhibit its latest gaming innovations at the Indian Gaming Association Trade Show & Convention, taking place April 1–2 at the San Diego Convention Center. The company will present a robust lineup of games and hardware designed to deliver engaging gameplay experiences while supporting the continued growth of tribal gaming operations.

At this year’s show, Ainsworth will showcase 10 game families featuring 22 unique themes. Every title in the booth will be available for Class III markets, with select titles already available in Class II and the full lineup scheduled for Class II delivery by the end of summer.

Among the highlights is San Fa Fortune, a brand extension to Ainsworth's highly successful San Fa game series, which still resonates strongly with players. Building on the success of the original series, San Fa Fortune introduces new features, engaging visuals, and the rewarding gameplay mechanics players have come to expect from the San Fa brand.

Ainsworth will also highlight updated high-denomination content on its cutting-edge Raptor-32 cabinet, including Enforcer Reloaded, a modern reboot of one of the company's most successful titles. The original Enforcer became a standout favorite among high-limit players, and Enforcer Reloaded builds on that legacy with refreshed visuals and enhanced gameplay designed to attract both loyal fans and new players. High-denomination gaming has long been a cornerstone of Ainsworth's portfolio, and with more than 30 years of industry experience, the company continues to strengthen its reputation for delivering premium high-limit titles that perform on the casino floor.

"Our focus has always been on delivering high-quality games that players love while supporting our casino partners with responsive service and long-term collaboration," said Ryan Comstock, Ainsworth's acting CEO. "The Indian Gaming Association Tradeshow is an important opportunity for us to connect with tribal operators, showcase our newest innovations, and demonstrate how Ainsworth continues to evolve to meet the needs of today's gaming market."

Visitors to the Ainsworth booth will see a portfolio focused on player-oriented game design, hardware, and a range of themes tailored to different player preferences. The company will also emphasize customer service and responsiveness as part of its ongoing efforts to support its relationships with tribal operators.

intergameonline.com, 23.03.2026

Awager links up with Novomatic for slot streaming deal

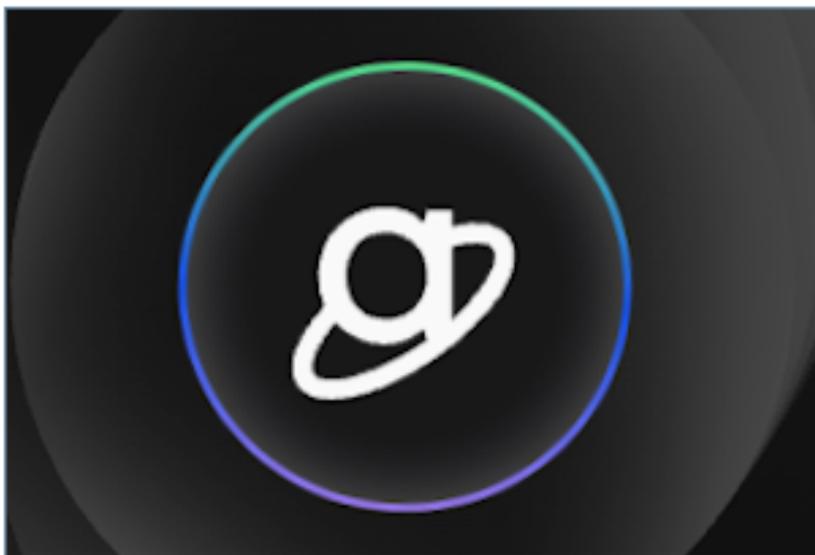
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by Jonny Whitfield



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Awager, the live slot streaming provider recently acquired by Aristocrat, has teamed up with Novomatic.



The deal will see Awager stream gameplay from Novomatic's land-based slot portfolio to its customers using studio technology from dedicated casino studios.

Awager said it will offer "multiple camera angles, authentic sound capture and a seamless digital interface" when expanding the reach of Novomatic's games.

Enhancing the player

experience

Thomas Schmalzer, vice president of global sales and vice president of product management at Novomatic said the company is "extending the boundaries of the player experience and setting new standards for immersive gaming."

"This co-operation strengthens our presence in key markets and demonstrates the continued relevance of Novomatic technology across all channels," he added.

"Great content is at the core of bringing the best entertainment responsibly to customers and their players. This milestone reflects our commitment to providing European players a unique online gaming experience with authentic and engaging slot content," said Roy Greenbaum, co-founder and senior vice president of Awager.

Aristocrat revealed its **acquisition of Awager in October**.

Aristocrat and Novomatic partner on land-based slot streaming in Europe

The agreement gives Awager access to Novomatic's land-based slot portfolio as Aristocrat expands the platform's reach across regulated European markets.

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Aristocrat, through its Awager platform, has entered into a collaboration with Novomatic to roll out live-streamed land-based slot content in Europe.

Awager, which Aristocrat now owns, provides live slot streaming technology designed to connect land-based gaming with online channels. Under the agreement, the platform will use Novomatic content as it expands across regulated European markets.

According to the source material, the arrangement gives Awager access to Novomatic's portfolio of land-based titles, along with its market experience and technology developed for European casino markets.

Awager's system streams play from physical slot machines located in dedicated casino studios. The setup uses a modular structure, multiple camera angles, sound capture and a digital interface designed to replicate the experience of a casino floor for online users.

The two groups said the collaboration is intended to extend Novomatic content into live-streamed environments while broadening the content available on the Awager platform.

Novomatic AG VP Global Sales and VP Product Management, Thomas Schmalzer, said: "By combining our long-standing land-based expertise with Awager's pioneering streaming solution, we are extending the boundaries of the player experience and setting new standards for immersive gaming."

The agreement centres on land-based slot streaming, an area that sits between traditional machine play and online casino distribution.

Aristocrat said Awager's platform is focused on delivering live-streamed land-based content to players in regulated markets, while Novomatic is extending the reach of its slot portfolio across land-based, online and live-streamed channels.

Awager Co-Founder and SVP, Roy Greenbaum, said: "We're excited to be working with Novomatic to expand our footprint across key regulated markets."

No financial terms were disclosed. The announcement positions the deal as a European technology and content collaboration between a supplier platform owned by Aristocrat and gaming technology group Novomatic.

Aristocrat has also been expanding its wider technology offering through acquisition activity. In February 2026, it acquired US-based [Gaming Analytics](#) , adding AI-powered player analytics and slot optimisation tools to its platform operations business.

NOVOMATIC Partners with Awager to Expand Live Slot Streaming in Europe

GGN Writer March 23, 2026



NOVOMATIC, leading gaming technology Group in Europe, has entered a collaboration with Aristocrat Leisure through its **Awager** platform. Now part of Aristocrat, Awager is the pioneering provider of live slot streaming solutions that bridge the gap between land-based gaming and online entertainment.

By collaborating with NOVOMATIC, the Awager platform gains access to a proven portfolio of high-performing land-based titles, trusted market knowledge and decades of experience developing cutting-edge gaming technology for the European market. This will enable Awager to bring engaging land-based entertainment to its customers, while NOVOMATIC further extends the reach of its renowned slot content across land-based, online and live-streamed environments.

Awager's streaming platform uses a modular system and state-of-the-art studio technology to stream physical slot machine experiences from dedicated casino studios. Multiple camera angles, authentic sound capture and a seamless digital interface replicate the atmosphere of a live casino floor with outstanding accuracy. Combined with NOVOMATIC's established land-based content, this creates a uniquely immersive player experience.

Thomas Schmalzer, VP Global Sales & VP Product Management at NOVOMATIC AG, says: “Awager’s decision to work with NOVOMATIC highlights our role as the leading technology partner in Europe.

“By combining our long-standing land-based expertise with Awager’s pioneering streaming solution, we are extending the boundaries of the player experience and setting new standards for immersive gaming.

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Roy Greenbaum, Awager Co-Founder & SVP, adds: “We are excited to be working with NOVOMATIC to expand our footprint across key regulated markets and together we are setting a new standard for live, land-based slot experiences online in Europe.

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