



Chairman – Prof. Dr. Stefan Szymanski

Stefan Szymanski is joining the University of Michigan as Professor of Sports Management from September 1st 2011. Previously he was an economics professor at Cass Business School, Imperial Business School and London Business School. He has published widely on the economics of sports. The main focus of his research has been the economic structure of football leagues and the comparative economics of European and American sports organizations, and has published in journals such as *Journal of Political Economy*, the *Journal of Economic Literature* and the *Economic Journal*. He has also written a number of books, including *Winners and Losers: The Business Strategy of Football* (with Tim Kuypers), *National Pastime: How Americans play Baseball and the rest of the world plays Soccer* (with Andrew Zimbalist) and *Soccernomics* (with Simon Kuper). He has acted as a consultant to a wide range of private and governmental bodies including UEFA, the FIA and the ICC, the UK government and the European Commission. He has also acted as a consultant and expert witness in a number of sports law cases, notably on the collective selling of broadcast rights.