The Marketing Matrix: Why Corporate Power is a Public Health Priority

We invite you to an ASPIRE2025 seminar with Professor Gerard Hastings, an internationally recognized expert in social marketing research, who will discuss marketing techniques used by the tobacco, alcohol and food industries.

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The influence of corporate power and what has been termed the ‘industrial epidemic’ affecting our diet, drinking and smoking. He will detail the wider impacts of corporate capitalism in driving inequalities, undermining communities, and distorting the democratic process.

Gerard will consider how corporate capitalism, by encouraging ever increasing consumption, pushes the limits of a finite planet. He will conclude by exploring the challenges these practices present to public health. The seminar structure allows time for audience participation so we can all contribute to this crucial debate.

Keynote Address:
Gerard Hastings PhD, OBE

Gerard Hastings is a Professor at Stirling University, the Open University and Professeur Associé at the École des Hautes Etudes en Santé Publique in Rennes. He is founder of the Institute for Social Marketing and Centre for Tobacco Control Research at Stirling University in Scotland.

Professor Hastings has a distinguished track record in researching the impact of marketing on society – both for good and ill. He has advised Governments and worked with policy makers around the world to promote healthy, evidence-based and effective public policies.

More recently he has focused on the wider impact of business on key social problems such as materialism, inequality and sustainability. His highly influential book ‘The Marketing Matrix’ investigates how corporate power and corporate sector marketing affect individuals, populations and the planet, and dissects and critically reviews Corporate Social Responsibility and Cause Related Marketing.

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