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CLS keeping Mazagan under lock and key

Safety first is the order of the day for any company working in a cash dominated industry but at **CLS** it is a whole company ethos in itself. A recent project in Morocco has exemplified just how the locking expert holds the key to a safer operation.

lockstockandbarrel CASINO LOCKING SYSTEMS

As the biggest casino in North Africa with 414 slots and 60 tables, Casino Mazagan needs a complex system of locks to maintain security from within.

The one thing that wasn't complex for the casino, which is part of the prestigious 5-star Mazagan Beach Resort and the latest addition to the Kerzner Group, was choosing which locking expert to work with.

Hervé Boisteau, the casino's slot director, insisted on working with CLS, having known the company from previous projects in Crans Montana, Switzerland and Brussels, Belgium. When the Casino Mazagan project started in 2008, Boisteau's choice for CLS was an easy one.

Boisteau said:"It was a big advantage for us that CLS dealt with all the various machine suppliers with

regards to the fitting of the locks. Novomatic, Atronic and Sega pre-installed the locks during the production process of their slot machines, CLS installed the locks on the IGT machines in IGT's workshop in the Netherlands and the Aristomachines equipped with the locks by CLS on site in El Jadida. The same is true for the table games as TCSJohnHuxley prepared the tables with the CLS/BiLock locks in such a way that CLS was able to finish the installation on site in no time. This co-operation between CLS and the gaming manufacturers saves so much time and money and provides added-value to the superior quality of the CLS products.

One of the greatest CLS products are the BiLock locks with an interchangeable core. The advantages of the BiLock locks are numerous. If, for example, a key is lost, it suffices to change the



Mazagan Hervé Boisteau with Verastegue in front of the

core without having to change the entire lock. Or if the casino wants to move their machines, the cores can be removed and the machines can be supplied with new ones at their new location. Novomatic was one of the first slot machine manufacturers that recognised the advantages of the BiLock locks and CLS and Novomatic have done several projects together in the past to the full satisfaction of their common customers.

In addition to the locking system, CLS also supplied five trolleys for the collection of stacker boxes as well as an additional five trolleys. each for 15 cash and tip boxes. The casino was so impressed by the quality of the trolleys that they ordered another two custom made cage trolleys as well as some custom-made table float balance trolleys.

And last but not least, in order to be able to manage all the keys, CLS supplied a large TRAKA electronic key cabinet that holds maximum of 180 keys. This key cabinet is opened by means of a fingerprint reader. Each employee has an authorisation for one or several keys and keys are only released according to the employee's authorisation level. Sensitive keys can only be removed by cooperation of two employees. The daily key traffic can be supervised remotely via a network and software. Security staff can see when and by whom

Casino Mazagan, part of

the 5-star Mazagan Beach Resort in El

Jadida, Morocco

those keys were used. Boisteau added: "The system is incredibly userfriendly. My colleagues worked with this system for the first time and they were so positively surprised that the order for a second TRAKA cabinet is underway." He adds: "It is now the third time that I personally have worked with CLS. With the workload I had prior to opening the casino, I was more than happy that CLS did all the work for the locking system, the trolleys, key cabinet and the diverse other parts. For this type of work, one needs very specialized knowledge of the procedures of a casino, CLS not only has all this knowledge, but they also provide a lot of useful recommendations and take a heap of work off our hands during the installation process."