Tobacco control achievements and priority areas in the WHO Europe Region: A review

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ABSTRACT

INTRODUCTION Tobacco control efforts have been advancing globally, including the adoption and entry into force of the World Health Organization (WHO) Framework Convention of Tobacco Control (FCTC), as well as the adoption of the European Union EU Tobacco Products Directive. With the present review, the European Network for Smoking and Tobacco Prevention (ENSP) and European Respiratory Society (ERS) aim to provide a comprehensive overview on the status of WHO FCTC implementation, policy achievements and priority areas across countries in the WHO Europe Region.

METHODS The review was conducted through a triangulation of data extracted from a survey administered to ENSP members, the WHO FCTC Implementation Database, Tobacco Control Laws and the Tobacco Control Scale 2016.

RESULTS Using the WHO MPOWER measures as a framework, we report on the implementation status of nine FCTC articles across 47 countries in the WHO Europe Region. The average number of articles fully implemented was 3.58. FCTC articles least fully implemented were: Article 5.3 on Tobacco Industry Interference (25.5%, n=12), Article 20 on Research (34.0%, n=16), and Article 15 on Illicit trade (40.4%, n=19). The most commonly fully implemented articles were: Article 8 on Smoke-free legislation (63.8%, n=30), Article 16 on Underage sales (57.4%, n=27), and Article 6 on Price and tax measures (51.2%, n=24). Policy achievements and recommended priority areas for future national tobacco control activities varied greatly among countries.

CONCLUSIONS Findings highlight the multitude of successes in tobacco control efforts across the region in recent years, but point out the need to address gaps in FCTC implementation.

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INTRODUCTION

The tobacco epidemic is responsible for the death of 700 000 European citizens every year. Compared to the rest of the world, the WHO European Region has one of the highest proportions of deaths attributable to tobacco. Tobacco control efforts have been advancing globally, including the adoption and entry into force of the WHO Framework Convention of Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC), as well as the adoption of the European Union (EU) Tobacco Products Directive (2014/40/EU) (TPD). With these tools, governments are equipped with evidence-based strategies for reducing the burden of tobacco-related morbidity and mortality, through comprehensive tobacco control legislation.

The WHO FCTC was adopted by the World Health Assembly on 21 May 2003 and entered into force on 27 February 2005 as the first global public health treaty. As of March 2017, 180 parties worldwide have ratified the FCTC, among them the EU, binding

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Published by EUEP European Publishing on behalf of the European Network for Smoking and Tobacco Prevention (ENSP). © 2018 Glahn A. This is an Open Access article distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution NonCommercial 4.0 International License. (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/4.0) them under international law to fulfil the treaty provisions, through implementation of policies aimed at reducing the supply and demand of tobacco products⁵. The WHO FCTC was conceived out of the notion that the tobacco epidemic is a globalized issue that requires international cooperation and ultimately the treaty 'reaffirms the right of all people to the highest standard of health³. To facilitate country-level adoption and implementation of the WHO FCTC by the Parties, the WHO has developed specific Article implementation guidelines and has also created the MPOWER technical assistance package, which contains measures for monitoring FCTC progress to effectively manage and improve its implementation.

The Tobacco Products Directive (2014/40/ EU) (TPD), which entered into force on 19 May 2014 and became applicable in EU Member States (MS) on 20 May 2016 strengthens regulation around the manufacturing, presentation and sale of tobacco products in the EU⁴. The revised TPD, which replaces the 2001 Directive, was developed in response to the emergence of new scientific evidence around effective tobacco control measures, new tobacco products entering the market, as well as the EU's ratification of the WHO FCTC in 2005. Key provisions of the TPD include but not limited to: requirements around packaging and labelling, reporting tobacco product ingredient, electronic cigarettes, as well as prohibiting characterising flavours in cigarettes and roll-your-own tobacco, banning promotional and misleading elements on tobacco products, and tracking and tracing measures to combat illicit trade⁴. The TPD thereby effectively aims to maximize health protection and consumer awareness among EU citizens.

Challenges to the implementation of both the WHO FCTC and EU TPD remain in a number of EU and non-EU MS. Two European organizations are working to mitigate some of these implementation challenges by coupling tobacco control advocacy with collaboration across Europe and globally. The European Network for Smoking and Tobacco Prevention (ENSP) is an international non-profit organisation active in coordinated actions in tobacco control, created in 1997 under Belgium law (identification number 16377/97)⁹. ENSP represents a large network of healthcare professionals, academics, researchers and experts, and supports its members in their involvement with implementation of the WHO FCTC and transposition of the TPD into national laws. The European Respiratory Society (ERS) is an international organisation of healthcare professionals, scientists and other experts working in respiratory medicine. The ERS Brussels office works closely with decision-making authorities at International, EU and National levels to raise awareness of tobacco-related diseases and promote the adoption and implementation of tobacco control policies.

In the present review, ENSP and ERS aim to identify the status of implementation of the WHO FCTC across the WHO Europe Region, and TPD among EU MS using the WHO MPOWER measures as a framework. The six components of MPOWER are: 1) Monitor tobacco use and prevention policies; 2) Protect people from tobacco smoke; 3) Offer help to quit tobacco use; 4) Warn about the dangers of tobacco; 5) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship; and 6) Raise taxes on tobacco⁷. Furthermore, the review highlights the primary policy achievements in tobacco control in recent years, as well as identifies country-specific priority areas of policy interventions, ultimately aimed at decreasing the demand for tobacco and improving measures of tobacco-dependence treatment.

METHODS

Review procedure

We reviewed various data sources, including the WHO FCTC Implementation Database, as well as conducted a survey administered to ENSP members in order to compile a comprehensive overview of the state of FCTC and TPD implementation in the WHO Europe region. Specifically, reviews for each country within the WHO Europe Region were carried out to gather information on the following areas: 1) Relevant legislation in tobacco control and recent legislative achievements; 2) Achievements in tobacco control interventions following the MPOWER framework, specific articles of the TPD and specific articles of the WHO FCTC; and 3) Identification of priority areas in future national tobacco control activity also based on the MPOWER framework.

Data sources

WHO FCTC Implementation Database

As part of FCTC obligations of the Parties, Article 21 requires the submission of periodic reports on implementation progress to the Conference of the Parties (COP) and through the Convention Secretariat³,. As of 2012, reports are to be submitted in intervals of two years and are synchronised with the biennial cycle of the COP¹¹. The reporting instrument of the WHO FCTC by the Parties entails a mandatory core questionnaire, as well as a voluntary additional questionnaire on use of the WHO FCTC implementation guidelines. The WHO has made these reports available through a web-based database where implementation of FCTC articles and measures can be searched both by specific Treaty Provisions and by individual Parties¹⁰. The questionnaires themselves, along with supplemental resource materials developed by the WHO contain reporting instructions in order to standardise and ensure the highest quality of data from Parties. Additionally, the WHO FCTC Implementation Database contains country-specific 'WHO Tobacco Control Fact Sheets', which in addition to providing data on smoking prevalence and model-projected impact of tobacco control policies, also contains information on key policies and legislative actions around tobacco control as they relate to the WHO MPOWER framework¹⁰.

Tobacco Control Laws, International Legal Consortium of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

Tobacco Control Laws is a project of the International Legal Consortium of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids that contains a depository of tobacco control laws, legislative reviews and policy fact sheets from across the globe. Analyses on tobacco control legislation and litigation are conducted by legal advisors at the International Legal Consortium in collaboration with in-country lawyers. The present review has made use of resources gathered under the section 'Tobacco Control Laws - Legislation', which provides comprehensive information on the main legal achievements in tobacco control of the country, and the degree to which legislation complies with the WHO FCTC and its associated Guidelines¹⁵. Specifically, the reviews focus on FCTC Article 8 (Smoke-Free Places), Article 11 (Tobacco Packaging and Labelling), and Article 13 (Tobacco Advertising, Promotion and Sponsorship). The protocols and review templates on how specific legal measures were analysed are further available on the Tobacco Control Laws website¹⁵.

ENSP Members' Survey

From 27 November - 22 December 2016, the ENSP Secretariat carried out a survey on the status of implementation of the WHO FCTC, and where applicable the TPD, in multiple European countries and administered through a web-based questionnaire to ENSP members. ENSP members consist of representatives from national coalitions, organisations, academics and individuals active in tobacco control across 34 countries in the WHO Europe Region. The questionnaire comprised 10 questions assessing the degree of national implementation of the provisions of the WHO FCTC, and in cases of EU MS of the TPD. The survey also captured information on the involvement and support of ENSP in these areas. ENSP members were chosen as a reliable source of information on both TPD and WHO FCTC implementation and stakeholder involvement, due to their history of activity and knowledge about national tobacco control legislation and advocacy actions in their specific countries. Data from the survey were used to inform the identification of tobacco control priority areas offered in this review and also cross-referenced with the FCTC Implementation Database to report on the status of FCTC implementation for specific Articles by country.

Tobacco Control Scale in Europe 2016

The Tobacco Control Scale in Europe Report 2016 describes the results of a survey on tobacco control activities carried out in 35 European countries , based on Joossens & Raw's Tobacco Control Scale (2006). The scale quantifies the implementation of tobacco control policies at the country level, based on six main policies: 1) Price increases through higher taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products; 2) Bans/restrictions on smoking in public and work places; 3) Better consumer information, including public information campaigns, media coverage, and publicising research findings; 4) Comprehensive bans on the advertising and promotion of all tobacco products, logos and brand names; 5) Large, direct health warning labels on cigarette boxes and other tobacco products; and 6) Treatment to help dependent-smokers to stop, including increased access to medications¹⁸. The 2016 survey data refer to legislation in force on 1 January 2017, price data on 1 July 2016, and the tobacco control budget in 2015¹⁷.

Analysis

Data from the various sources were triangulated to categorise WHO Europe Region countries as either having implemented, partial implemented, or not implemented the respective FCTC articles. Furthermore, based FCTC implementation status and recent tobacco control policy achievements, ENSP and ERS identified priority areas and recommendations for improved tobacco control for each country.

RESULTS

Nine FCTC articles were identified as relevant in relation to the MPOWER framework and were reviewed on their degree of implementation among 47 countries in the WHO Europe Region, as presented in Table 1. WHO FCTC measures that have been the least fully implemented among the 47 countries surveyed include: Article 5.3 on Tobacco Industry Interference (25.5%, n=12), Article 20 on

Table 1. Overview of the FCTC implementation status for articles relevant to the MPOWER framework in a selection of WHO Europe Region countries

	Article 5.3 Tobacco industry	Article 6 Price and tax	Article 8 Smoke-free	Article 12 Education, communication and public	Article 13 Tobacco advertising/	Article 14 Tobacco dependency	Article 15	Article 16 Underage	Article 20	Number of Articles fully
Country	interference	measures	legislation	awareness	sponsorship	and cessation	Illicit trade	sales	Research	implemented
Albania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	4
Armenia*	Partly	No	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	No	Yes	No	1
Austria	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	2
Azerbaijan	No	No	No	Partly	No	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	0
Belarus	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	7
Belgium	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	7
Bosnia & Herzegovina	No	No	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	3
Bulgaria	-	Yes	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	4
Croatia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9
Cyprus	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	No	5
Czech Republic	Partly	No	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	4
Denmark*	No	Yes	Yes	Partly	Partly	Yes	-	Partly	Yes	4
Estonia	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly		4
Finland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9
France*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9
Georgia	No	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	No	-	Partly	1
Germany	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	No	No	Yes	Partly	1
Greece	No	No	Yes	Partly	Partly	No	No	Yes	No	1
Hungary*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	7
Iceland	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	Yes	Partly	3
Ireland	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	8
Israel	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Partly	Yes	No	4
Italy	No	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	2
Kazakhstan	No	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	2
Latvia	No	Partly	Yes	No	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	3
Lithuania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	8
Luxembourg	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	No	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	3
Malta	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	3
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Country	Article 5.3 Tobacco industry interference	Article 6 Price and tax measures	Article 8 Smoke-free legislation	Article 12 Education, communication and public awareness	Article 13 Tobacco advertising sponsorship	Article 14 Tobacco dependency and cessation	Article 15 Illicit trade	Article 16 Underage sales	Article 20 Research	Number of Articles fully implemented
Republic of Moldova*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	No	Yes	Partly	6
Netherlands*	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	6
Norway	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	7
Poland*	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	7
Portugal*	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4
Romania*	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	7
Serbia	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	5
Slovakia	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	No	Yes	Partly	No	4
Slovenia*	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	2
Spain	No	No	Yes	No	No	Partly	No	No	No	7
Sweden	No	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	1
Switzerland	-	Yes	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	-	-	-	1
Tajikistan	-	Partly	No	No	Partly	No	-	-	-	0
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)	-	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	-	-	-	0
Turkey	-	Yes	Partly	Yes	Partly	Partly	-	-	-	2
Turkmenistan	-	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	-	-	-	2
Ukraine	-	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly	Yes	-	-	-	2
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	-	-	-	4
Uzbekistan	-	-	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	-	-	-	0

- Insufficient data available, * Sources: All country reviews of FCTC Implementation are based on the WHO FCTC Implementation Database (http://apps.who.int/fctc/ implementation/database), while some are supplemented with information from the following organisations:

Armenia: Gerald and Patricia Turpanjian School of Public Health, Denmark: Danish Cancer Society, France: Paris Sans Tabac, Les Droits des Non-Fumeurs, Hungary: Health Promotion Focal Point for Tobacco Control, Republic of Moldova: Center for Health Policies and Studies, Moldova, Netherlands: Alliantie Nederland Rookvrij (Dutch Alliance for a Smoke-free Society), Poland: Foundation Smart Health - Health in 3D, Portugal: Portuguese Coalition for Tobacco Prevention, Romania: Romanian Forum of Prevention, Romanian Society of Pneumology, Slovenia: Slovenian Coalition for Public Health, Environment and Tobacco Control, No Excuse Slovenia

Research (34.0%, n=16), and Article 15 on Illicit trade (40.4%, n=19). The most commonly fully implemented measures of the WHO FCTC include: Article 8 on Smoke-free legislation (63.8%, n=30), Article 16 on Underage sales (57.4%, n=27), and Article 6 on Price and Tax measures (51.2%, n=24).

The average number of articles fully implemented across the 47 countries, was 3.58 (out of nine). The countries with the lowest number of WHO FCTC articles adopted and/or fully implemented are Azerbaijan, FYROM, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan (0/9 measures), Armenia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Spain and Switzerland (1/9 measures) and Austria, Italy, Kazakhstan, Slovakia, Turkey, Turkmenistan and Ukraine (2/9 measures). The countries with the highest number of articles fully implemented are Croatia, Finland and France (9/9 measures implemented), as well as Ireland and Lithuania (8/9 measures implemented) (Table 1).

In Table 2, we highlight the recent achievements in tobacco control policy implementation and subsequently identified priority areas for each country. The majority of countries had recent achievements in tobacco control to report on. Some common areas of achievements included amended or adopted regulations on product packaging and labelling, sale of electronic cigarettes, smoke-free policies in public places, increases in tobacco taxes, and restrictions in advertising of tobacco products. Among EU MS, many achievements centred around the transposition of the TPD into national law, with changes to tobacco products including, but not limited to larger and mandatory graphic health warnings, ability to regulate cross-border distance sales, safety and quality requirements for electronic cigarettes, and mandatory electronic reporting on tobacco product ingredient by manufacturers.

Recommended priority areas for future national tobacco control activities varied greatly among countries, depending on the respective countries' degree of FCTC implementation (Table 2). For instance, in countries lacking comprehensive indoor smoking bans, priority areas focus on expanding smoke-free legislation to other realms, such as public transport, workplaces and private cars. In other countries where all enclosed public places are completely smoke-free, efforts are encouraged to focus on dedicating funds for enforcement, having a system in place for citizen complaints and further investigations, as well as fining both the patron and establishment for smoking violations. Similarly, in countries where health warnings are only in text and/or do not fully describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health, and cover only a small percentage of packaging, it is recommended that measures be taken to implement graphic or pictorial cigarette warnings that cover at least 65% of the front and back of packaging. On the other hand, in countries that already mandate graphic or pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and roll-your-own tobacco products, as well as other packaging parameters, most notably as specified by the TPD, adoption of plain packaging is encouraged as the next priority. Other priority areas that were identified across many countries include: raising taxes on tobacco, implementing and enforcing bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship, combating illicit trade, decreasing tobacco industry interference, and making cessation services available and covering costs of smoking cessation pharmacotherapy, such as Nicotine Replacement Therapy.

DISCUSSION

Full implementation of key articles of the WHO FCTC is associated with increased reduction in smoking prevalence -. As such, maximizing implementation is critical to combatting the pervasive global tobacco epidemic and the burden of non-communicable diseases. Through a triangulation of information from various data sources, the current review presents the state of FCTC implementation across 47 countries in the WHO Europe Region in 2016. It further highlights recent achievements in national tobacco control efforts across the region. Lastly, the review offers country-level stakeholders in tobacco control with a tailored list of action areas for effectively decreasing tobacco consumption in their country.

The extensive list of newly adopted tobacco control laws, policies and decrees that were identified supports recent-trends data on increased FCTC across countries that have ratified the treaty²⁰. However, while many countries have fully implemented most or all of the nine articles, four countries have not fully implemented any of the articles (Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, FYROM, and Uzbekistan). Vast challenges to FCTC implementation exist, with tobacco industry interference suggested to be a main factor in undermining tobacco control progress, particularly for lower and middle-income countries, and therefore may explain country differences -. This is a concern, given that Article 5.3 that aims to combat tobacco industry interference was the least fully implemented article among countries. It is promising, however, that other articles such as Article 8 on smoke-free legislation, have been shown to be effective in reducing smoking prevalence. The considerable variation in the degree of FCTC article implementation across the WHO Europe Region calls for future research to focus on reducing such disparities²⁰.

ENSP and ERS encourage respective country leadership and stakeholders to prioritise adoption and implementation of the articles least frequently implemented (Articles 5.3, 20 and 15) and to ensure full implementation of the articles most commonly implemented (Articles 8, 16 and 6).

Strengths and limitations

The limitations of this review should be noted. While data from multiple sources using rigorous methods

were triangulated, systematic review methods were not used. Despite the expertise and knowledge among ENSP members completing the survey, answers may be subject to a variation in the level of detailed knowledge. Where some ENSP members work more closely with the TPD, others work more with implementation of the FCTC or vice versa, while others again may be more focused on non-legislative tasks.

The methodology for categorising FCTC implementation status also has some limitations. By categorising implementation status as either 'yes', 'no' or 'partial' implementation, this assessment is less nuanced than the national reports within the FCTC Implementation Database. However, some of these nuances and details about FCTC implementation status are reflected within the individual country priority areas in Table 2. Interpretation of data presented in this review should therefore be considered with these limitations in mind.

Despite these limitations, this review provides a comprehensive overview of FCTC implementation across the WHO Europe Region compiled from various data sources. It further guides country stakeholders on which tobacco control policies and measures to prioritise.

CONCLUSIONS

Global tobacco control efforts have advanced significantly in recent years, with the WHO FCTC being increasingly adopted by countries worldwide, along with the newly adopted EU TPD. Across the WHO Europe Region, considerable variability in FCTC implementation exists, resulting in a need for a detailed understanding of countrylevel implementation and tobacco control priority areas. In the current review, we covered the FCTC implementation status and recent tobacco control policy achievements in 47 countries of the WHO Europe Region, and subsequently identified areas for improvement, according to the WHO MPOWER framework. Our findings highlight the multitude of successes in tobacco control efforts across the region in recent years, yet point out the need to address gaps in FCTC implementation. By focusing efforts on these priority areas, tobacco control policy makers, researchers and other stakeholders can more strategically implement measures for effectively reducing tobacco consumption, and thereby, tobaccoinduced morbidity and mortality.

Table 2. Recent achievements in tobacco control policy adoption and future priority areas for countries in the WHO Europe Region

Country	Recent Achievements	Priority Areas
Albania	On 23 August 2014, the Albanian National Assembly, on the proposal of the Council of Ministers, adopted amendments to the 2006 Act on the 'Protection of Health from Tobacco Use'. According to the amendments, smoking has been completely banned in: workplaces, health institutions (except for patients of mental health institutions), educational establishments, public transport facilities including taxis, indoor shopping malls, bars, restaurants, discos and night clubs, cultural and sports facilities, shared areas of private home buildings, and enclosed areas of any other public facilities ²⁵ .	
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regulations on tobacco product packaging and labelling (Decision No. 18 of 17 March 2017 the Eurasian Economic Commission), implements paragraph 27 of the Technical Regulations for Tobacco Products and regulates the format and position of picture and text warnings, as well as the images to be used, on tobacco product packaging. The required	Andorra	Law No. 7/2012 of 17 May on protection from exposure to	for either adults or youth, but not for both. (2) Become a party to the WHO FCTC: Andorra has not signed the WHO FCTC yet. (3) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Indoor areas such as healthcare facilities, educational facilities, except for universities, and government facilities, are smoke-free. However, designated smoking rooms are permitted under the law in restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars, and indoor offices and workplaces. (4) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Nicotine replacement therapy as well as smoking cessation medicines are available in pharmacies without a prescription. However, these are not covered, and smoking cessation programmes are partially available. (5) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Andorra has no legislation on both direct and
appear on all tobacco product packages for retail sale by 15 November 2017 ²⁸ .	Armenia	regulations on tobacco product packaging and labelling (Decision No. 18 of 17 March 2017 the Eurasian Economic Commission), implements paragraph 27 of the Technical Regulations for Tobacco Products and regulates the format and position of picture and text warnings, as well as the images to be used, on tobacco product packaging. The required warnings and images must appear on all tobacco product packages for retail sale by 15	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: No funds are dedicated to enforcement and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: No toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and rear of the principal display area, with five such warnings approved by law. The warnings do not include a photograph or graphic. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Armenia does not ban direct advertisement in national and international radio and television, on billboards, advertising on internet, and free distribution in mail. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Armenia costs 600.00 AMD ¹ (US\$ 1.48), of which 33.33% is tax (16.67% is value-added and 16.67% excise tax) ²⁹ .
AustriaA Federal Law amending both the Tobacco Act, the Income Tax Act 1988, the Corporation Tax Act 1988, the Labour Inspect Act 1993, and the Federal Officials Protection Act (BGBI No. 101/2015) was published in the Austrian Federal Journal of Law on 13 August 2015 and will enter into force on 1 May 2018. The law includes the introduction of a comprehensive non-smoking protection in eating places, extension of the scope of the Tobacco Law to the use of water pipes and related products in areas covered by smoking bans, and introduction of a non-tax- exempt premium ³⁰ .(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: There is questionable enforcement. (2) Decrease tobacco industry interference: There is a law on lobbying, but it is weak and not controlled ³¹ . (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: For cigarettes the total tax (excise + VAT) was 77, 46% of the weighted-average price in 2015. The percentage of the ad valorem tax for cigarettes is 40% of the retail price. For cigars and cigarillos, an ad valorem tax of 13% of the retail-selling price applies, while for fine-cut tobacco the ad valorem tax rate is 56%. Furthermore, value added tax (VAT) of 20% applies to all tobacco products. The WAP in 2016 was 4,48 EUR. (4) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Austria records smoking tatus of patients in medical notes or patient files, offers a network cessation support and its reimburseent, and has a national quit-line. Family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice and medication treatment is not reimbursed. (5) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Public awareness work is mainly left to the NGOs. (6) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship9. (7) Enforce age-limit to selling tobacco products: Prohibited to sell below age 16, but no enforcement 17.	Austria	A Federal Law amending both the Tobacco Act, the Income Tax Act 1988, the Corporation Tax Act 1988, the Labour Inspect Act 1993, and the Federal Officials Protection Act (BGBI No. 101/2015) was published in the Austrian Federal Journal of Law on 13 August 2015 and will enter into force on 1 May 2018. The law includes the introduction of a comprehensive non-smoking protection in eating places, extension of the scope of the Tobacco Law to the use of water pipes and related products in areas covered by smoking bans, and introduction of a non-tax-	tobacco industry interference: There is a law on lobbying, but it is weak and not controlled ³¹ . (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: For cigarettes the total tax (excise + VAT) was 77, 46% of the weighted-average price in 2015. The percentage of the ad valorem tax for cigarettes is 40% of the retail price. For cigars and cigarillos, an ad valorem tax of 13% of the retail-selling price applies, while for fine-cut tobacco the ad valorem tax rate is 56%. Furthermore, value added tax (VAT) of 20% applies to all tobacco products. The WAP in 2016 was 4,48 EUR. (4) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Austria records smoking status of patients in medical notes or patient files, offers a network cessation support and its reimbursement, and has a national quit-line. Family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice and medication treatment is not reimbursed. (5) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Public awareness work is mainly left to the NGOs. (6) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship9. (7) Enforce age-limit to selling tobacco products: Prohibited to sell below age 16, but no enforcement 17.
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(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health-care and education facilities, including universities, are completely smoke-free in Azerbaijan. Dedicated funds for enforcement and a system for citizen complaints and further investigation are in place. Neither establishments nor patrons are fined for violations of current smoke-free legislation. Health-care facilities and education facilities are smoke free while government facilities, indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars, and public transport is not smoke-free. (3) Offer help to guit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are not available in Azerbaijan. Nicotine replacement therapy can legally be purchased in a pharmacy without a prescription but is not cost-covered. No toll-free quit-line is available. (4) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and back of the principal display area, with one health warning approved by law. The warning appears on each package, and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale. The law mandates font size/style and colour of the health warning, which is written in the principal language(s) of the country. It does not include a photograph or graphic however, and does not describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. (5) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a law adopted in 1997 and amended several times since, Azerbaijan has bans in place on all forms of direct and some forms of indirect advertising. The law does not require fines for violations of these bans There is no ban on indirect advertising through promotional discounts, nontobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, in sponsored events and at points of sale. (6) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Azerbaijan costs 1.40 AZN1 (US\$ 1.79), of which 17.30% is tax (15.25% is value-added tax, 2.02% excise tax, and 0.03% import duty)³². Belarus, as part of the Eurasian (1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: No indoor public places in Belarus are completely Economic Union, has adopted smoke-free. Under current legislation, special places for smoking (equipped to Ministry of Health requirements) are allowed in all indoor public places. Smoking violations incur stricter regulations on tobacco product packaging and fines for the patron, but not the establishment. A system for citizen complaints and further labelling, which will fully enter investigations is in place, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement. (2) Offer help to into force on 15 November quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics and other 2017. The Decision implements primary care facilities, with costs fully covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Paragraph 27 of the Technical Cessation support is also provided in some hospitals and offices of health professionals, **Regulations for Tobacco** with costs being partially covered. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over Products and regulates the the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. No toll-free format and position of picture guit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally and text warnings, as well as the mandated to cover 30% of the front and back of the principal display area, with six such images to be used, on tobacco warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and product packaging. The required labelling used in retail sale, and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. warnings and images must The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in appear on all tobacco product the principal language(s) of the country. The law does not, however, mandate font size/ packages for retail sale by 15 style and colour for package warnings, and the warnings do not include a photograph or November 2017. The Decision graphics. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a

law adopted in 2007 and amended in 2008, Belarus has bans in place on several forms of

direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans³⁴.

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Eurasian Economic Union³³.

Belgium On 28 October 2016, Belgium adopted a Decree to regulate the production and sale of The provisions concerning production of electronic cigarettes containing nicotine entered into force on 17 January 2017³⁵. On 5 February concerning the manufacture and sale of tobacco products, which obliges manufacturers of tobacco products in Belgium to annually provide information to the Belgian authorities concerning the tobacco products. This includes a list of all product ingredients, tar emission level, CO and nicotine, volume and sale etc. The decree transposes some measures of the TPD³⁶.

Bosnia & Herzegovina On 28 October 2016, Belgium adopted a Decree to regulate the production and sale of electronic cigarettes in Belgium.
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(1) Monitor tobacco use for both adults and youth: Bosnia & Herzegovina only monitors prevalence data for either adults or youth, but not for both. (2) Protect people from tobacco smoke: No indoor public places in Bosnia and Herzegovina are completely smoke-free. Designated smoking rooms with strict technical requirements are allowed in all indoor public places under the current legislation of both the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska. Smoking violations consist of fines on the establishment and the patron. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities in both the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska, and health services or health insurances fully cover the costs. All family medicine doctors have been trained in cessation treatment both in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and in the Republika Srpska. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost-covered, and no toll-free quit-line is available. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina has a ban, through a law adopted in 1998 and last amended in 2012, on several forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these direct and indirect advertising bans. There are no bans on direct advertising at point of sale or on the internet, nor on indirect advertising through bans on free distribution in mail or other means, promotional discounts, non-tobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, tobacco products display at point of sale. (5) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: In both the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republika Srpska, health warnings are legally mandated to cover 35% of the front of the principal display area. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale, and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. However, the warnings do not include a photograph or graphics. (6) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Bosnia and Herzegovina, a pack of cigarettes costs 3.70 BAM3 (US\$ 2.53), of which 82.33% is tax (14.53% is value added and 66.32% is excise tax, with 1.5% for import tax)³⁷.

Bulgaria	On 24 March 2016, Bulgaria adopted Decree No. 89 to Promulgate the Law on Amending and Supplementing the Law on Tobacco and Tobacco Products, which transposes the provisions of the EU TPD ³⁸ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Almost all enclosed public places in Bulgaria are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the patron but not on the establishment. Funds are dedicated for enforcement, and a system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available, of which, some are cost-covered, but Bulgaria only provides cessation support in some health clinics or other primary care facilities. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost covered, and a toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the back of the principal display area, whereby 16 health warnings are approved by law. However, the warnings do not include a photograph or graphics. Health warnings will have to cover 65 % of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs, following TPD implementation. Total tobacco control expenditures, which may include mass media campaign expenditures, amount to US\$ 25 033 in Bulgaria, which is less than US\$ 0.05 per capita and classified as a low level of funding. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Bulgaria does not ban advertising in international magazines and newspapers, billboards, at points of sale, in free distribution in mail, promotional discounts, non-tobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco products in television and films and sponsored events. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Bulgaria, a pack of cigarettes costs 4.70 BGN1 (US\$ 3.21), of which 82.65% is tax (16.67% is value added and 65.98% is excise tax) ³⁹ .
Croatia	On 18 May 2017, Croatia adopted the Law on Restricting the Use of Tobacco and Related Products, which transposes the TPD into national law ⁴⁰ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Croatia has not installed a complete smoke-free policy in government facilities, indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars, public transport, and all other indoor public places. (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available of which some are cost-covered, but Croatia only provides cessation support in some health clinics or other primary care facilities. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost-covered, and no toll-free quit-line is available. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Croatia does not have bans on tobacco companies publicizing their activities, funding or making contribution to smoking prevention media campaigns. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Croatia, a pack of cigarettes costs 23.00 HRK (US\$ 4.04), of which 75.26% is tax (20.00% is value added and 55.26% is excise tax) ⁴³ .
Cyprus	In March 2017, Cyprus adopted the Health Protection (Control of Smoking) Law 2017 and the Health Protection (Tobacco Control) Regulations of 2017, which transposes the TPD into national law ^{41,42} .	(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: 29% of the proportion of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of taxes in Cyprus. Excise tax is levied through a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes. (2) Enforce ban on underage sales: No progress has been made on this issue for the past two years (2014, 2015). In the new proposed legislation, it will be illegal to sell packs of cigarettes with less than 20 items and regarding roll-your-own tobacco no less than 30 g. This will ensure that no low-cost tobacco is available for purchasing by children. (3) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Cyprus has a comprehensive ban on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship. However, the ban does not cover display and visibility of tobacco products at points of sale, the internet, brand stretching and or sharing, product placement, or the depiction of tobacco use in entertainment media products ⁹ .

Czech Republic	and cinemas. Movie theatres,	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Czech Republic has adopted a comprehensive smoke-free regulation that will enter into force on 31 May 2017. The ban does not enforce the maintenance of separate smoking areas in restaurants. E-cigarettes and hookahs are allowed in uncovered public transportation. (2) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Czech Republic has a ban on tobacco advertising in television and radio, outdoor advertising (i.e. posters), cinema advertising, and advertising or display of tobacco products at points of sale. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 65% of the packet and include pictorial health warnings. Czech Republic has not implemented plain packaging ⁹ . (4) Prevent illicit trade of tobacco products: The WHO Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products provides tools for preventing illicit trade. Czech Republic has not yet signed the protocol ⁴⁶ .
Denmark	The law on tobacco products (Law no. 608 of 07/06/2016) was adopted on 2 June 2016 and regulates the production, presentation and sale of tobacco products ⁴⁷ . The law on electronic cigarettes (Law no. 426 of 18/05/2016) was adopted on 10 May 2016 and enforced	(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Denmark, the retail price of a pack of cigarettes at weighted- average price was 5,57 EUR (1 July 2016) of which 75.00% is tax levied in combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁹ . (2) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: There is a general ban on tobacco promotion and sponsorship. But there is no display ban in retail outlets and the industry has found loopholes in the ban, e.g. the summer music festivals (which often target youth) are heavily sponsored by tobacco companies. They can use the festival to promote and brand new and special tobacco products and 'festival editions'. (3) Protect people from tobacco smoke: There is a smoking ban, but with exemptions, as smoking is allowed in designated smoking rooms or smoking cabins at workplaces. Smoking is also allowed in restaurants and bars below 40 m2. In private day-care centres, small children are not protected against second-hand smoke, as smoking in the private home of the care giver is allowed (except in rooms where the children are mostly cared for) and outside workhours. Smoking is further allowed at e.g. nursing homes and other institutional facilities, which are also private homes for the rocidentr ⁴⁹ .

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Estonia	The Act to Amend the Tobacco Act was adopted on 18 January 2016 and entered into force on 20 May 2016, and 1 June 2017 according to specific provisions. It regulates the content, production, presentation and sale of tobacco products ⁵⁰ . The amendments to the Tobacco Act were adopted on 8 July 2016. The act transposes the provisions of the TPD ⁵¹ .	(1) Prevent illicit trade of tobacco products: The WHO Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products provides tools for preventing illicit trade. Estonia has not yet signed the protocol. In Estonia there is no tobacco industry since 1999. All tobacco products are imported either in legal or illicit ways. However, foreign tobacco companies are trying to maintain and further their commercial interests through trading with the chains of numerous supermarkets, lobbying in the parliament and at municipal level, and using the media to promote tobacco products ⁵² . (2) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Estonia, the retail price cigarettes weighted-average price is 3,07 EUR (1 July 2016) of which taxes are levied in combination of specific and ad valorem taxes. The rate of taxation for smoking tobacco products at all levels of Government is 34% of the retail price. The rates of taxation for tobacco products were raised 6% in the year 2014, not raised in 2015 and 8% was planned in 2016 ⁵³ . (3) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Estonia has a ban on tobacco advertising on radio and television, outdoor advertising, print media and point of sale advertising. There is no ban on display of tobacco products at the point of sale. (4) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Estonia offers a national quit-line in all major regions of the country with counsellors answering at least 30 hours a week. Estonia offers no reimbursement of medications, no recording of smoking status in medical notes, and no reimbursement to family doctors for providing brief advice ⁴⁶ .
Finland	Finland adopted and implemented a new tobacco control law, enforced as of 15 August 2016, which transposes the TPD into national law ⁵⁴ .	(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Finland, the retail price of cigarettes (weighted-average price) is 5,68 EUR (1 July 2016) ⁹ of which 83,2% taxes are levied in combination of specific and ad valorem taxes. (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco use: Finland has health warnings corresponding to TPD regulation, with pictorial health warnings on cigarette packs and rolling tobacco. Finland does not have plain packaging of tobacco products. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Finland offers a national quit-line in all major regions of the country, cessation support network with some limitations, and partial reimbursement of medications. Finland has no recording of smoking status in medical notes and offers no reimbursement to family doctors for providing brief advice.
France	Orders. The Code implements the	(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: In France, the retail price of cigarettes (weighted-average price) is 5,68 EUR (1 July 2016) ⁹ of which 83,2 % taxes are levied in combination of specific and ad valorem taxes. Prices on tobacco products will gradually increase following the adoption of the new social security budget ⁵⁶ . The objective of the government is to reach 10 euros for the price of a cigarette pack in 2020. (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco use – increase public info campaigns: In 2015 France authorities spent 0.14 EUR PPS (Purchasing Power Standard) per capita on Tobacco Control. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: France offers a national quit-line in all major regions of the country with counsellors' presence at least 30 hours a week, cessation support network with some limitations and partial reimbursement of medications. France has no recording of smoking status in medical notes and offers no reimbursement to family doctors for providing brief advice ⁵⁷ .
Georgia	2017 and comes into force in 2018. The law includes smoke- free policies in public places and work places, and ban on	(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Georgia costs 2.20 GEL1 (US\$ 1.26), of which 49.35% is tax (15.25% is value-added and 34.09% excise tax). (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco use: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and back of the principal display area, with 12 such warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale, and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. The law also mandates font size/style and colour for package warnings. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. Pictorial warnings on packages are optional, not mandatory. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics and other primary care facilities, with costs partially covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Nicotine replacement therapy is not available, but varenicline is sold legally in Georgia and can be purchased in a pharmacy without a prescription; the cost of this product is not covered. A toll-free quit-line is available. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through laws on advertising (adopted in 1998 and amended in 2008) and tobacco somke: Health-care and education facilities, including universities, are completely smoke-free in Georgia. Smoking violations incur fines for the establishment and patron, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. There is no smoking ban on government facilities, workplaces, restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars, public transport and all other indoor public places ⁶⁰ .
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Germany	The German Tobacco Products	(1) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Germany has a ban
	Law, adopted on 4 April 2016, and its supporting ordinance transpose the provisions of the TPD to national law. For products made before 20 May 2016, or put into free circulation for the first time, a transitional period is applied with deadline of 20 May 2017 ⁶¹ .	on advertising of tobacco products on television and radio, in printed material such as newspapers, and a ban on international sponsorship. Germany does not have a ban on tobacco advertising in cinemas and out-door areas, and thus remains the only EU country that still allows tobacco advertising on billboards. There is also no ban on point of sales or display ban, national sponsorship or indirect advertising. (2) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Germany does not have a complete ban of smoking in bars and restaurants. Legislation of smoking in bars and restaurants is a responsibility of the regions (Länder). Most Länder ban smoking in bars and restaurants, but may allow smoking rooms or some exceptions. Smoking is banned in public transport and more than 50% work places are smoke-free. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco use: Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Germany has not implemented plain packaging. (4) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for a pack of cigarettes in weighted-average price in Germany was 5,34€ as of 1 July 2016. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product 77% consists of taxes ⁹ .
Greece	On 20 September 2016, Greece adopted Law no. 4419/2016 in view of implementing the TPD related with the manufacture, presentation, and the sale of tobacco products and similar products ⁶² .	(1) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship Greece has a ban on advertising of tobacco products on television and radio, in out-door advertisement, printed material such as newspapers, and a ban on international sponsorship. Greece does not have a ban on tobacco advertising in cinemas, on point of sales or display ban, national sponsorship or indirect advertising. (2) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Greece has a smoke-free law, which is enforced only to a limited extent. There are legislative restrictions to smoking in bars and restaurants, but less than 50% of the bars and restaurants are smoke-free. Greece has legislative restrictions on smoking in workplaces, but less than 50% of workplaces are smoke-free. Smoking is banned in public transport. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco use: Greece has enforced pictorial health warnings on tobacco, following provisions of the Tobacco Products Directive. Greece has not implemented plain packaging. (4) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for a pack of cigarettes in weighted-average price in Greece was $3,71\varepsilon$ as of 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product 68% consists of taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁶³ .
Hungary	The Decree 239/2016 (of 16 August 2016) of the Hungarian Government transposes the TPD into national law by introducing new rules on tobacco packaging and amending the earlier regulation on the application of health protection fine (Decree 39/2013 of 14 February 2013). This includes the requirement for cigarette packages to carry pictorial health warnings of 65% of the front and back of packages. The last day for selling other packs with smaller health warnings was 20 May 2017. After 20 May 2019, all retailers need to conform with the regulation of standardised packaging ⁶⁴ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Hungary has a ban on smoking in bars, restaurants and public transport. Hungary has a complete ban on smoking in work places but with closed ventilated designated smoking rooms enforced ⁹ . (2) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Hungary, the retail price cigarettes weighted-average price is 3,38 EUR (1 July 2016) of which 75.9% is tax levied in combination of specific, ad valorem taxes with minimum excise duty and VAT on cigarettes. (3) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Hungary has a ban on tobacco advertising on tv and radio, in cinemas and out-door advertising, in printed material such as newspapers. There is no ban on point-of- sale advertising or display of tobacco products at point of sale ⁶⁵ .
lceland	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 Offer help to quit tobacco use: lceland does not have a legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice. lceland has a national quit-line, with counsellors answering less than 30 hours a week. Tobacco dependence treatment medication is not reimbursed. Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Pictorial health warnings are found on cigarette packs and RYO tobacco. lceland does not have plain packaging of tobacco products and health warnings on packages cover 50% or less than the package. A data set of the new pictorial warnings have been laid out with text warnings in lcelandic language and are in the preparation stage. (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: The price for a package of Marlboro cigarettes minus 10 % was 8,35 EUR per 1 July 2016⁹. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 56% taxes levied as specific taxes⁶⁶.
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Ireland Packaging of Tobacco) Act 2015 was passed in March 2015 and, once implemented, will require that corporate labels and branding be removed from product packaging and replaced with brand names in a standard colour and font. Regulations are pending commencement of the Act67. The Public Health (Standardised Packaging of Tobacco) Act 2015 (Commencement) Order 2017 establishes the date by which the remaining provisions of the Public Health (Standardised Packaging of Tobacco) Act 2015 are to enter into force. Remaining stock may continue to be sold at retail for one year, at which point plain packaging will be required for all tobacco products. The European Union (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016 (S.I. No. 271 of 2016) implement the TPD and revise the health warnings required on tobacco product packaging, regulate cross-border distance sales, and regulate e-cigarettes and herbal smoking products68.

The Public Health (Standardised
Packaging of Tobacco) Act(1) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price of a package of cigarettes weighted-average
price per 1 July 2017 is 9,69 EUR in Ireland. The price is 6,68 EUR to Purchasing Power2015 was passed in March 2015
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price per 1 July 2017 is 9,69 EUR in Ireland. The price is 6,68 EUR to Purchasing PowerStandard per capita⁹. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco
product in Ireland consists of 79.7% taxes levied in combination of specific and ad valorem
taxes⁶⁹. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Ireland has a national quit-line in all major
regions of the country with quit-line counsellors answering at least 30 hours a week. A
network of smoking cessation support and its reimbursement cover the whole country
and medications are totally reimbursed or free to users. However, Ireland has no legal or
financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, and family
doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice.

(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health care facilities and education facilities, except universities, are completely smoke free in Israel. In universities, government facilities and restaurants, designated smoking rooms with strict technical requirements are allowed under the current legislation. Rather than complete smoke-free workplaces, smoking is permitted in private offices. In addition, cafés, pubs and bars are allowed to set aside a quarter of their space for smokers, as long as it is in a separate room. Smoking violations consist of fines on the establishment and the patron. A system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations; however, no funds are dedicated for enforcement. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities, and the National Health Service/ Insurance fully covers its costs. A toll-free guit-line is available and nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy. NRT is partially covered by the national health service or the national health insurance. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and the back of the principal display area, whereby 13 health warnings are approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale, and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. However, the warnings do not include a photograph or graphics. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Israel has a ban, through a law adopted in 1983 and last amended in 2008, on few forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these direct and indirect advertising bans. Bans on advertising are not implemented in local magazines and newspapers, billboards and outdoor advertising, and promotional discounts among others. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Israel, a pack of cigarettes costs 30.00 ILS (US\$ 8.75), of which 84.28% is tax (15.25% is value added and 69.03% is excise tax)⁷⁰.

Italy	On 12 January 2016, Italy adopted the Legislative Decree No. 6: Implementation of Directive 2014/40/EU on streamlining the legislative, regulatory and administrative provisions of the member states regarding the processing, presentation and sale of tobacco products and related products ⁷¹ . The Decree transposes the TPD into national law.	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Italy has a complete ban in bars and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms; a full ban in public transport, public places and private cars. In the work place there are meaningful restrictions enforced and more than 50% of the workplaces are smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Italy has a national quit-line or quit-lines in major regions of the country with counsellors answering at least 30 hours a week. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Italy has not adopted plain packaging for tobacco products. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Italy has a ban on tobacco advertising on tv and radio, in cinema, outdoors areas, in printed material and at point of sales. Italy has no ban of display of tobacco products at point of sale. There is a ban on international sponsorship, but not on national sponsorship, on internet advertising or in indirect advertising. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price is 4,66 EUR in Italy per 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists 77% of taxes levied in combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁷² .
Kazakhstan	As part of the Eurasian Economic Union, Kazakhstan has adopted stricter regulations on tobacco product packaging and labelling, which will fully enter into force on 15 November 2017. The decision implements Paragraph 27 of the Technical Regulations for Tobacco Products and regulates the format and position of picture and text warnings, as well as the images to be used, on tobacco product packaging. The required warnings and images must appear on all tobacco product packages for retail sale by 15 November 2017. The Decision applies to all members of the Eurasian Economic Union ¹⁹ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health-care, government and education facilities, including universities, indoor offices and workplaces, and cafes, pubs and bars are completely smoke-free in Kazakhstan. Smoking violations incur fines for the establishment and patron, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement, and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics and primary care facilities and in offices of health professionals, with costs fully covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Cessation support can also be accessed at hospitals, where the cost is partially covered, and in the community (without cost coverage). Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. A toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 40% of the front and back of the principal display area, with 12 such warnings approved by law. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law sets the font size/style and colour for package warnings and mandates that the warnings include a photograph or graphic. It also mandates that warnings appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a law adopted in 2003 and amended in 2007 (5), Kazakhstan has bans in place on all forms of direct and some forms of indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Kazakhstan costs 210 KZT (US\$ 1.15), of which 39.29% is tax (10.71% is value-added tax and 28.57% excise tax) ⁷³ .
Kyrgyzstan	As part of the Eurasian Economic Union, Kyrgyzstan has adopted stricter regulations on tobacco product packaging and labelling, which will fully enter into force on 15 November 2017. The decision implements Paragraph 27 of the Technical Regulations for Tobacco Products and regulates the format and position of picture and text warnings, as well as the images to be used, on tobacco	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health-care, government and education facilities, including universities, are completely smoke-free in Kyrgyzstan. Smoking violations incur fines for the patron but not the establishment. Funds are dedicated for enforcement, but no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. Kyrgyzstan has no ban on smoking in indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars, and public transport. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking-cessation services are available in most health clinics and other primary care facilities; offices of health professionals and in the community; the National Health Service/Insurance partially covers costs, except for cessation support in the community. Nicotine replacement therapy is not available, but varenicline can be purchased legally without a prescription in a pharmacy; the cost of this product is not covered. A toll-free quit line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 40% of the front and back of the principal display area, with 12 such warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale, describing the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. The law also mandates font size/style and colour for package warnings. The position of health warnings on packages rotates; messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country and include a photograph or graphic. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through laws on advertising (adopted in 1998) and tobacco control (adopted in 2006), both amended several times since, Kyrgyzstan has bans in place on most forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans. There is no ban on tobacco advertising at point of sale and no display ban of tobacco products at point of sale. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Kyrgyzstan costs 35 KGS1 (US\$ 0.68), of whi

Latvia	In 2016, Latvia adopted the Cabinet Regulation No. 440 on Procedure for the Submission and Processing of Information on Tobacco Products, Herbal Products for Smoking, Electronic Cigarettes and Associated Refill Container ⁷⁵ , the Cabinet Regulation No. 306 on the Requirements for Health Warnings to Be Placed on Packaging ⁷⁶ , and the Law on Trade in Tobacco Products, Herbal Smoking Products, Electronic Smoking Devices and Associated Liquids ⁷⁷ . The regulations transpose the TPD into national law.	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Latvia has a complete ban on smoking in bars and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms and a full ban in public transport and public places. In the work place only meaningful restrictions are enforced and more than 50% of the workplaces are smoke-free. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Latvia has a national quit-line with counsellors available less than 30 hours per week, and only partial reimbursement of medications. There is no legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, and family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Latvia has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO products, in accordance with TPD provisions. Latvia does not have plain packaging. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Latvia has a ban on tobacco advertising on TV, radio, in cinema, outdoor areas, printed material and a ban on national and international sponsorship. There is no ban on advertising at point of sales, no display ban and no ban on indirect advertising. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 2,89 EUR per 1 July 2016 ⁹ .
Lithuania		(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Lithuania has a complete ban, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms enforced. There are meaningful restrictions in the workplace, where more than 50% of workplaces are smoke-free. There is a ban on smoking in some means of public transport. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Lithuania has a network of smoking cessation support and its reimbursement across the whole country is free. There is no national quit-line, no reimbursement of medications, no legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, and no reimbursement for family doctors providing brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Lithuania has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO products, in accordance with TPD provisions. Lithuania does not have plain packaging. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Lithuania has a ban on tobacco advertising on tv and radio, in cinema, outdoor areas, printed material, international sponsorship. There is no ban on advertising at point of sales, display ban of tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 2,77 EUR per 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 83% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁸⁰ .
Luxembourg	adopted the Regulation of 26 May 2016, restricts the	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Luxembourg has a complete ban on smoking in cafes and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms, full ban on smoking in public transport, a complete ban on smoking in work places, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms with at least 75% of the workplaces smoke-free. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Luxembourg has a national quit-line with counsellors answering at least 30 hours a week, there is a legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files and partial reimbursement of medications. There is no reimbursement of family doctors for providing brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Luxembourg has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51-79% of the package. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Plain packaging is not adopted. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Luxembourg has a ban on tobacco advertisement on tv and radio, in cinema, outdoor areas, printed materials and national durational connections.

materials and national and international sponsorship. There is no ban on advertising of tobacco products at point of sale or display of tobacco products at point of sale. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 4,50 EUR or 1,66 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016⁹.

Malta	On 1 January 2017 Malta adopted the law on Smoking in Private Vehicles Regulations 2016 (L.N. 386) ⁸² . On 4 March 2016, the country adopted the law on Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Tobacco Products Regulations, 2016 (L.N. 67) ⁸³ . The laws transpose the TPD.	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Malta has meaningful restrictions to smoking in cafes and restaurants, with 50% of bars and restaurants being smoke-free. No complete ban applies to smoking in workplaces, but meaningful restrictions are enforced, and more than 50% of work places are smoke-free. There is a ban on smoking in public transport and private cars. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Malta has a national quit-line, without counsellors available 30 hours per week. There is no reimbursement of medications, no legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, and no reimbursement of family doctors for providing brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Malta has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51-79% of the package. Plain packaging is not adopted. (4) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 4,92 EUR or 5,53 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 76% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁸⁴ .
Monaco	Monaco has adopted Law No. 1346 of 9 May 2008 on the protection against smoking ⁸⁵ and Ministerial Order No. 2008- 295 of 16 June 2008 on the application of Law No. 1346 of 9 May 2008 on the protection against smoking ⁸⁶ .	(1) Monitor tobacco use for both adults and youth: Monaco only monitors prevalence data for either adults or youth, but not for both. (2) Sign and ratify the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the WHO Protocol to tackle illicit trade. (3) Educate and communicate on the dangers of tobacco: All tobacco products sold in Monaco are imported from France, and therefore follow French law on health warnings. France has large warnings with all appropriate characteristics since 2016. (4) Adopt bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Monaco does not ban direct and indirect advertisement. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: Of the taxes, 67% is value added and 34% is excise tax.
Montenegro		(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health care facilities, education facilities, including universities, and government facilities, in Montenegro are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the establishment and the patron. A system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations; however, no funds are dedicated to enforcement. There is no ban on smoking in indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars, public transport, and all other indoor public places. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities, and the National Health Service/Insurance fully covers its costs. Cessation support for youth is provided by counselling services in all health care centres in Montenegro. No toll-free quit-line or nicotine replacement therapy is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the rear of the principal display area, whereby 16 health warnings are approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. The warnings include a photograph or graphics. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Montenegro has a ban, through a law adopted in 2004 and last amended in 2011 (5), on most forms of direct and indirect advertising bans. There is no ban on advertising at point of sale, appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, or display of tobacco products at point of sale. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Montenegro, a pack of cigarettes costs 1.30 EUR2 (US\$ 1.74), of which 77.89% is tax (15.97% is value added and 61.92% is excise tax) ⁸⁷ .

Republic of Moldova	In 2016 Moldova adopted the Ministry of Health Ordinance No. 139 on the Establishment of Counselling and Treatment for Smoking Cessation ⁸⁸ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health care facilities and education facilities, including universities, in the Republic of Moldova are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the patron but not on the establishment. A system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations; however, no funds are dedicated for enforcement. Government facilities, indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars, and public transport is not smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities, and the National Health Service/Insurance fully covers its costs. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost-covered, and no toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the rear of the principal display area, whereby 14 health warnings are approved by law. They appear on each package, and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale, and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. However, the warnings do not include a photograph or graphics. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: The Republic of Moldova has a ban, through a law adopted in 2007 that repealed previous laws dated 1997 and 2011, on several forms of direct and indirect advertising bans. There are no bans on advertising at point of sale, on the internet, in free distribution in mail or other means, promotional discounts or of appearance of tobacco products at point of sale. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In the Republic of Moldova, a pack of cigarettes costs 15 MLD1 (US\$ 1.08), of which 50.67% is tax (16.67% is value added and 34.0% is excise tax) ⁸⁹
Netherlands	Transposition of the TPD is guaranteed by the Tobacco Act (last amended on 1 January 2014) and enforced by a number of Decrees ⁹⁰ .	 (1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: The Netherlands has a complete ban on smoking in cafés and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. There is a total ban on smoking in public transportation, but not in private cars. There is a complete ban on smoking in workplaces and other public places, but with closed, ventilated, designated, smoking rooms. At least 75% of the workplaces are smoke-free. (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Netherlands has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51-79% of the package according to TPD provisions. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. The Netherlands has not adopted plain packaging. (3) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Netherlands has a ban on tobacco advertising at point of sales, no ban on display of tobacco products at point of sales, no ban on display of tobacco price was 6,05 EUR or 4,69 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016⁹.
Norway	The amendment 'Lovvedtak 26 (2016-2017)' to the Norwegian Tobacco Act ensures the implementation of the TPD, as well as the introduction of Plain packaging. Lovvedtak 26 (2016-2017) is implemented on 1/4/2017, except for certain measures ⁵¹ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Norway has a complete ban on smoking in bars and restaurants, public transport and other public places. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. Smoking in the work place is subject to a complete ban, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. At least 75% of the workplaces are smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Norway has a national quit-line with counsellors answering at least 30 hours per week. Family doctors are reimbursed for providing brief advice. There is no legal or financial incentive to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files and no reimbursement of smoking cessation medications. (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for a package of Marlboro minus 10% was 11,07 EUR or 6,79 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ .
Poland*	Law on health protection against the consequences of using tobacco and tobacco products. Poland has furthermore adopted Regulation of the Minister of Health of 1 September 2016 on the list of laboratories to verify the maximum level of	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Poland has meaningful restrictions to smoking in bars and restaurants. All means of public transportation are smoke-free. Workplaces are subject to meaningful restrictions on smoking with more than 50% of the workplaces being smoke-free. The Polish law allows exceptions, for instance for drinking and eating establishments with two or more rooms. (2) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Poland has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51.9% of the package according to TPD provisions. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Poland has not adopted plain packaging. (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 3,13 EUR or 4,54 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ .

Portugal	Portugal adopted Law No. 109/2015 of 26 August 2015, Amending Law No. 37/2007 of 4 August 2007 and Transposing Directive 2014/40/EU (PT) ⁹³ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Public transportation means are subject to a complete smoking ban. Until 2020 smoking areas are still allowed in work places, restaurants, pubs and bars. Meaningful restrictions apply to smoking in bars and restaurants, 50% are smoke-free. Work places are equally subject to meaningful restrictions to smoking, with more than 50% of the workplaces being smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Portugal has a national quit-line, with counsellors available less than 30 hours per week. There is partial reimbursement of smoking cessation medications. Portugal offers no legal or financial incentives to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files and no reimbursement to family doctors for providing brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Portugal has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51.9% of the package according to TPD provisions. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Portugal has not adopted plain packaging. (4) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 4,29 EUR or 5,57 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ .
Romania	In 2016 Romania adopted the Update of the LAW No. 349 of 6 June 2002 on preventing the consumption of tobacco products and combating its effects, which transposes the TPD into national law ⁹⁴ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: All enclosed public places in Romania are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the patron but not on the establishment. A system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations; however, no funds are dedicated for enforcement. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities, and the National Health Service/Insurance fully covers its costs. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost- covered, and a toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the back of the principal display area, whereby 16 health warnings are approved by law. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale, describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health and include a photograph or graphics. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. Total tobacco control expenditures, which may include mass media campaign expenditures, amount to US\$ 7 940 105 in Romania, which is greater than US\$ 0.10 per capita. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Romania has a ban, through a law adopted in 2004 and last amended in 2008, on several forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these direct and indirect advertising bans. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Romania, a pack of cigarettes costs 14.50 RON1 (US\$ 4.39), of which 75.41% is tax (19.35% is value added and 56.06% is excise tax) ³⁹⁵ .
Russian Federation	Adoption of Decision of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission No. 18 of 17 March 2016, which implements Paragraph 27 of the Technical Regulations for Tobacco Products and regulates the format and position of picture and text warnings, as well as the images to be used, on tobacco product packaging. The required warnings and images must appear on all tobacco product packages for retail sale by 15 November 2017. The Decision applies to all members of the Eurasian Economic Union, of which Russia is a member.	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: All public places in the Russian Federation are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations incur fines for the patron and the establishment, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement, and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics and other primary care facilities, hospitals and offices of health professionals, with costs fully covered by the National Health Service/Insurance (except for cessation support in hospitals, which is not cost-covered). Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. A toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 50% of the back of the principal display area, with 13 such warnings approved by law. They describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health and include a photograph or graphic. The law also mandates font size/style and colour for package warnings. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. Moreover, the law mandates warnings to appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through federal laws on advertising (adopted in 2006, amended in 2013) and tobacco control (adopted in 2013), the Russian Federation has bans in place on all forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans ⁹⁶ .

Serbia		(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health care facilities, education facilities, including universities, government facilities and public transport in Serbia are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the establishment and the patron. Funds are dedicated for enforcement; however, no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. Indoor offices and workplaces, restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars, and all other indoor public places are not completely smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics or other primary care facilities, and the National Health Service/Insurance fully covers its costs. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost-covered, and no toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the rear of the principal display area, whereby 12 health warnings are approved by law. They describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health, rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. However, the health warnings do not include a photograph or graphics and are not mandated to appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Serbia has a ban, through a law adopted in 2005, on several forms of direct advertising bans. There are no bans on advertising at point of sale, advertising via non-tobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, sponsored events, tobacco products display at point of sale. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: In Serbia, a pack of cigarettes costs 170 RSD1 (US\$ 1.95), of which 77.92% is tax (16.67% is value-added and 61.25% is excise tax) ⁹⁷ .
Slovakia	On 1 July 2016 Slovakia adopted Act No. 308/2000 and Act No. 278/2015 on Broadcasting and Retransmission Act and on Amendment to Act No. 195/2000 Coll. on telecommunications. This act installs provisions relating to the advertisement and sponsoring of tobacco products on tv and media ⁹⁸ . Slovakia further adopted Act No. 89/2016 Z on the manufacture, labelling and sale of tobacco products and related products and on the	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Slovakia has meaningful restrictions to smoking in bars and restaurants, with 50% of bars and restaurants being smoke-free. There is a ban on smoking in some public transportation means and meaningful restrictions for smoking in workplaces more than 50% of the workplaces are smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: No toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Slovakia has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 5179% of the package according to TPD provisions. Health warnings will have to cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. Slovakia has not adopted plain packaging. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Slovakia has a ban on advertising of tobacco products on tv, radio, in cinema, outdoor areas, printed material, national and international sponsorship, and indirect advertisement. There is no ban on advertising of tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 3,06 EUR or 3,69 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 79% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ⁸ .
Slovenia	On 24 February 2017 Slovenia adopted the Law on restricting the use of tobacco and related products. Among other measures, this law imposes plain tobacco packaging from 2020. On 5 May 2017, Slovenia adopted Rules on health	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Slovenia has a complete ban on smoking in cafés and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. All public transport is smoke-free and smoking in cars in presence of minors is banned as of February 2017. Workplaces are subject to a complete ban on smoking, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. At least 75% of the workplaces are smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Slovenia has a national quit-line, with counsellors available less than 30 hours per week. There are no legal or financial incentives to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files. Family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief

all medical notes or patient files. Family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief warnings on tobacco products. advice and there is no reimbursement of smoking cessation medications. (3) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 3,51 EUR or 4,23 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016⁹. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 79,81% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes¹⁰⁰.

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These provisions transpose the

TPD into national law.

Spain	Decree 579/2017 ¹⁰² , which regulates certain aspects of tobacco manufacturing, presentation (packaging), and sale. This Decree transposes many of the provisions of the TPD.	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Spain has a complete ban on smoking in cafes and restaurants, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms under very strict rules. There is a ban on smoking in all public transportation means and a complete ban on smoking in the workplace without exceptions. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Spain does not have a national quit-line. Some regions have local quit-lines. Smoking cessation medications are not reimbursed, and family doctors are not reimbursed for providing brief advice. Smoking cessation medications are reimbursed only in two Spanish regions. There are no legal or financial incentives to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Spain has pictorial health warnings that cover 65% of the front and the back of cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) packs following TPD implementation. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Spain has a ban on tobacco advertising on television, radio, in cinema, outdoor advertising at point of sales and no display ban. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted average price was 4,44 EUR or 4,83 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 79,9% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ¹⁰³ .
Sweden	On 11 January 2017, Sweden adopted the Regulations amending the regulations (HSLF-FS 2016:45) on reporting of ingredients, annual marketing studies, etc., and expanded reporting and notification of new tobacco products (HSLF-FS 2016:97), regulations amending the regulations (HSLF-FS 2016:42) regarding guidelines on characterizing flavours of cigarettes, rolling tobacco and its components as well as additives in certain tobacco products (HSLF-FS 2016:96) ¹⁰⁴ . Further achievements concern the adoption of the Order on changes to the regulations (HSLF-FS 2016:46) on the design and positioning of health warnings on packaging of tobacco products (HSLF-FS 2016:77) on 11 July 2017, and a number of legislative measures in view of transposing the EU TPD adopted on 20 May 2017 ¹⁰⁵ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Sweden has a complete ban, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. All public transportation means are smoke-free, and workplaces are subject to a complete ban on smoking but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms, leaving at least 75% of workplaces smoke-free. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Sweden has a national quit-line with counsellors available more than 30 hours per week. Cessation medication is partially reimbursed and family doctors are reimbursed for providing brief advice. There are no legal or financial incentives to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Sweden has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 65% of the front and the back of the packs following TPD implementation. Sweden has not adopted plain packaging. (4) Raise taxes on tobacco: The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price was 5,59 EUR or 4,54 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ . Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 78% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes ¹⁰⁶ .
Switzerland	In 2012 Switzerland adopted the Ordinance on Tobacco Products and Products Containing Tobacco By- Products Intended for Smoking (817.06) (as amended October 1, 2012) ¹⁰⁷ .	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Legislation of smoking in bars of restaurants is a responsibility of the cantons. A majority of the cantons apply smoke-free legislation in bars and restaurants. In general bars and restaurants are subject to meaningful restrictions and 50% or bars and restaurants are smoke-free. All public transportation means are smoke-free, and workplaces are subject to meaningful restrictions, with more than 50% being smoke-free. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Switzerland has a quit-line, with counsellors available more than 30 hours per week. There is partial reimbursement of cessation medications and reimbursement of family doctors for giving brief advice. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Switzerland has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 5179% of the package. Switzerland has not adopted plain packaging. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Switzerland has a ban on tobacco advertising on tv and radio. The country has no ban on tobacco: The retail price -10% for a package of Marlboro in Switzerland was 6,77 EUR or 4,18 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 2016 ⁹ .

Tajikistan	On 26 July 2014, Tajikistan	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: No indoor public places in Tajikistan are completely
Tajikistafi	adopted the Code of Administrative Offenses ¹⁰⁸ .	smoke-free. Under current legislation, smoking is prohibited in health-care, government and education facilities, including universities, and on public transport (except in designated smoking areas). Smoking violations incur fines for the establishment and patron. A system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services and toll-free quit-line are not available in Tajikistan. Nicotine replacement therapy is available and sold legally in the country. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: The law mandates that health warnings appear on tobacco packages, but does not specify the percentage of the principal display areas of the package that must be covered by the warnings. The law does not mandate specific health warnings and does not specify health warning characteristics. There is no ban on advertising at point of sale, no ban on advertising on the internet, no free distribution in mail or through other means, promotional discounts, non-tobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, tobacco products display at point of sale. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a law adopted in 2003, Tajikistan has bans in place on some forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Tajikistan costs 5 TJS1 (US\$ 1.01), of which 25.88% is tax (15.25% is value-added tax, 2.66% excise tax, and 7.97% import duty) ¹⁰⁹ .
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)	In 2010, FYROM adopted the Law on Protection from Smoking (consolidated through 2010) ¹¹⁰ .	(1) Monitor tobacco use for both adults and youth: FYROM only monitors prevalence data for either adults or youth, but not for both. (2) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Almost all enclosed public places in FYROM are completely smoke-free. Smoking violations consist of fines on the establishment and the patron. However, no funds are dedicated for enforcement, and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (3) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available of which some are cost-covered, but FYROM only provides cessation support in some health clinics or other primary care facilities. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy but is not cost-covered, and no toll-free quit-line is available. (4) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 30% of the front and 40% of the back of the principal display area, whereby 16 health warnings are approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in the retail sale, describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health and include a photograph or graphics. Moreover, health warnings rotate on packages and are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law also mandates font style, font size and colour for package warnings. (5) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: The FYROM has a ban, through a law adopted in 1995 and amended many times since then (last amendment was in 2010), on most forms of direct and indirect advertising bans. There is no ban on tobacco advertising through free distribution in mail or through other means, on appearance of tobacco products on television and/or in films, nor on tobacco products display at point of sale. (6) Raise taxes on tobacco: In FYROM, a pack of cigarettes costs 60.00 MKD1 (US\$ 1.31), of which 72.59% is tax (15.25% is value added and 57.33% is excise tax) ¹¹¹ .

Turkey No. 2015-8353 Adjusting Tax Rates, Council Decision No. 9010 on Amending the Council Decision Concerning the Assessment of Data Included on the Ingredients Declaration and Toxicology Data Tables and the National tobacco control program action plan (2015the tobacco control law. The amendment brought Turkey fully in line with all six MPOWER has pictorial health warnings on cigarettes and RYO tobacco products covering 51-79% measures, being the first country to reach the highest level of achievement in all six areas¹¹².

Turkmenistan In 2016 Turkmenistan adopted the Law on Some Changes and Additions to Some Legislative Acts of Turkmenistan¹¹⁴.

In 2015 Turkey adopted Decision (1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: First smoke-free implementation at some public places (health, education, sports and cultural facilities and public transport) was in 1996 and the law was amended in 2008. Cafés and restaurants are subject to a complete ban, but with closed, ventilated, designated smoking rooms. Compliance is however insufficient in cafés, coffee or teahouses. There is a ban on smoking in all public transportation means and a full ban on smoking in workplaces with no exceptions. There is no ban on smoking in private cars. (2) Offer help to guit tobacco use: Smoking cessation counselling and treatment has been provided for years, all three medicines (Bupropion, Varenicline and NRT preparations) are available since 2010 or 2011. Total of 415 smoking cessation centres provide cessation service and toll-free quit-line is in operation since 2010 on a 24-hour 2018). In 2012, Turkey amended basis. Turkey has no legal or financial incentives to record smoking status in all medical notes or patient files, no reimbursement of family doctors for providing brief advice and no reimbursement of cessation medications. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Turkey

> of the package. Turkey has not adopted plain packaging. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Advertisement and promotion was banned in 1996 by the Tobacco Control Law and sponsorship was banned in 2012 through amendment of the Law. Turkey has bans on tobacco advertising on television, radio, in cinema, outdoors areas, printed material and international sponsorship. There is no ban on advertising at point of sale, display of tobacco products at point of sales or indirect advertising. (5) Article 6. Raise taxes on tobacco: Tax and price increases were done several times; however, cigarette prices are still low (3.3EUR highest, 2.5EUR most popular) compared to most of the European countries. The retail price for cigarettes at weighted-average price in Turkey was 3,21 EUR or 5,81 EUR to Purchasing Power Standard per capita, as per 1 July 20169. Of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of 84% taxes levied in a combination of specific and ad valorem taxes¹¹³.

(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: All enclosed public places are completely smokefree in Turkmenistan. Smoking violations incur fines for the patron and the establishment, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking-cessation services are available in most health clinics and other primary care facilities, and in offices of health professionals, with costs fully covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. A toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 65% of the front and rear of the principal display area, with 12 such warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. The law also mandates font size/style and colour for package warnings and states that they must include a photograph or graphic. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a law adopted in 2013, Turkmenistan has bans in place on most forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans. Turkmenistan does not have ban on advertising of tobacco products at point of sale or on appearance of tobacco brands on television and/or in films. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Turkmenistan costs 11.65 TMT1 (US\$ 4.09), of which 26.11% is tax (13.04% is value-added tax, 12.23% ad valorem excise tax, and 0.83% import duty)¹¹⁵.

Ukraine	In 2012 Ukraine adopted Law	(1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Health-care, government and education facilities,
	No. 4844-VI on Amendment of Certain Laws of Ukraine on Improving Certain Provisions on Limiting Places for Smoking ¹¹⁶ .	including universities, restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars, and public transport are completely smoke-free in Ukraine. Smoking violations incur fines for the patron and the establishment, but no funds are dedicated to enforcement, and no system is in place for citizen complaints and further investigations. There are no smoking bans on indoor offices and workplaces. (2) Offer help to quit tobacco use: Smoking cessation services are available in some health clinics and other primary care facilities, but costs are not covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. No toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 50% of the front and back of the principal display area, with 11 such warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. The law also mandates font size/ style and colour for package warnings and states that packages must include a photograph or graphic. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through a law adopted in 1996 and amended several times since, Ukraine has bans in place on most forms of direct and some forms of indirect advertising. The law requires fines for violations of these bans. There are no bans on advertising of tobacco advertisements before, during or after the broadcasting or showing of any visual entertainment. (5) Raise taxes on tobacco: A pack of cigarettes in Ukraine costs ⁹ UAH1 (US\$ 0.74), of which 74.78% is tax (16.67% is value-added tax and 58.11% excise tax) ¹¹⁷ . (6) Ratify the WHO FCTC Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	In 2016 the UK adopted the Tobacco and Related Products Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016 No. 507), which transposes many of the provisions of Directive 2014/40/EU (TPD), including the requirements of health warnings to be placed on tobacco product packaging ¹¹⁸ . Also, the Standardised Packaging of Tobacco Products Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015 No. 829) was adopted, requiring plain packaging for packages of cigarettes and hand-rolling tobacco produced on or after 20 May 2016. Products produced before that date could be sold until 20 May 2017 ¹¹⁹ .	(1) Offer help to quit tobacco use: The UK offers partial reimbursement of cessation medication ¹²⁰ .
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Uzbekistan In 2011, Uzbekistan adopted (1) Protect people from tobacco smoke: Public transport is completely smoke-free in Order No. 311 on Approving Uzbekistan. Smoking is prohibited in all other enclosed public places, except in designated of the Health Warnings, areas and premises for the use of tobacco. Smoking violations incur fines for the patron but Addenda 1-7 to Order No. 311 not the establishment. No funds are dedicated to enforcement, and no system is in place for on Approving of the Health citizen complaints and further investigations. No ban on smoking is in place for health-Warnings and Law No. 302 on care facilities, education facilities, universities, government facilities, indoor offices and Limitations of the Distribution workplaces, restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars. (2) Offer help to guit tobacco use: Smoking and Consumption of Alcohol cessation services are available in some health clinics and other primary care facilities, and Tobacco¹²¹. with costs fully covered by the National Health Service/Insurance. Cessation support is also available in some hospitals with costs partially covered. Nicotine replacement therapy can be purchased over the counter in a pharmacy without a prescription, but is not cost-covered. No toll-free quit-line is available. (3) Warn about the dangers of tobacco: Health warnings are legally mandated to cover 40% of the front and rear of the principal display area, with seven such warnings approved by law. They appear on each package and any outside packaging and labelling used in retail sale and describe the harmful effects of tobacco use on health. The position of health warnings on packages rotates and the messages are written in the principal language(s) of the country. The law does not mandate font size/ style and colour for package warnings, and warnings do not include a photograph or graphic. (4) Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship: Through laws on advertising (adopted in 1998 and amended several times since) and limitation of alcohol and tobacco products (adopted in 2011), Uzbekistan has bans in place on some forms of direct and indirect advertising. The law does not require fines for violations of these bans. There are no bans on international television and radio, international magazines and newspapers, advertising on the internet, tobacco advertising through promotional discounts, non-tobacco products identified with tobacco brand names, appearance of tobacco brands on television and/or in films nor of tobacco products display at point of sale¹²².

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