

17. Waterpipe tobacco smoking

Tuesday, 17 March 2015, 14:00 - 18:00

Room Conference Hall BA



Type	Workshop
Track	New emerging products and challenges, issues and strategies
Topic	Waterpipe and Shisha smoking: FCTC Art. 5.3,8,6,11,13 and crosscutting
Organised by	WHO and WHO FCTC Secretariat
Duration	Half-day
Max attendees	100
Meeting type	Open meeting
Description	Waterpipe use accounts for a significant and growing share of tobacco use globally. Its use is most prevalent in Asia, Africa and the Middle East, but it is a rapidly emerging problem in other continents such as Europe, North America, and South America. Since the release of the WHO Advisory Note on Waterpipe Tobacco Smoking in 2005, waterpipe research has received important attention, and has resulted in new evidence and facts and in the bridging of many research gaps. Meanwhile, new fashions on waterpipe use have been developed, such as adding various flavours and additives to the tobacco used in waterpipes. Even the tobacco industry now gives some attention to the use of waterpipes and has started investing in its production.
Target audience	Tobacco control scientists, health professionals, tobacco regulators and policy makers, especially from countries where waterpipes are available for consumption.
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review trends in the prevalence of waterpipe tobacco use globally and in the regions 2. To present the guidance of the Conference of the Parties with respect to the use of waterpipes 3. To examine the contents and emissions of waterpipe tobacco, as well as health, economic and environmental consequences of its use 4. To discuss regulatory approaches to and experience of countries with regulating the product as well as the use of waterpipe tobacco
Expected outcome	This workshop will examine the trends in the use of waterpipe globally and regionally and will reflect upon the contents and emissions of waterpipe tobacco products, as well as on health, economic and environmental consequences of its use. Regulatory approaches, as well as challenges, needs and opportunities linked to the prevention and control of waterpipe tobacco use will be discussed, in light of decisions of the Conference of the Parties.
Keywords	Waterpipe; shisha; hookah; regulation; prevention; control
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Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Introduction Mirjana Djordjevic (USA), Feras Hawari (Jordan) » Waterpipe tobacco products: key facts Ghazi Zaatari (Lebanon) » Global and regional trends in the use of waterpipe Jeremy Morton (USA) » Consideration of control and prevention of waterpipe tobacco products by the Conference of the Parties at its 6th session (October 2014) Guangyuan Liu (Switzerland) » Testing waterpipe tobacco and health consequences of its use Mirjana Djordjevic (USA) » Prevention and control of the use of waterpipe: the future of regulation Feras Hawari (Jordan) » Break-out group work » Group 1: Implementation of regulatory measures on waterpipes Guangyuan Liu (Switzerland) » Group 2: Role of different partners in the control of waterpipe use Ghazi Zaatari (Lebanon) » Group 3: Advertising and promotion of waterpipes in drama Feras Hawari (Jordan) » Report back of the working groups