19. Sustaining gains and addressing set-backs in tobacco control for countries in transition

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

Room Capital Suite 19



Workshop

Track Demand side: FCTC Art. 6 14, Art. 20

Topic

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Duration

Half-day

Max attendees

Meeting type

Open meeting

Description

In countries undergoing political and socioeconomic transition, there are threats to previous gains in tobacco control. In some cases, the challenge is protecting and sustaining the gains while in others there have been set-ups or even reversals in tobacco control. The lack of enforcement, absence of compliance and the withdrawal of donors are some of the symptoms already realised in countries that are undergoing social and political changes. The challenges are already well recognised and are exploited by the tobacco industry and its allies.

Target audience

This workshop should bring multi-sectoral participation from the transition countries, civil society groups, experts, countries with past similar experiences to share information, analyse the situation and identify ways forward.

Objectives

- 1. Analyse the tobacco control and the implementation of the FCTC and MPOWER in transition countries
- Identify opportunities, gaps and challenges for tobacco control
 Examine experiences and best practices on sustaining tobacco control from countries in other regions
- 4. Agree on accelerated steps for tobacco control in the selected countries
- 5. Identify roles and responsibilities of different sectors and agree on collaboration scheme at national level

Expected outcome

An agreed set of accelerated steps for tobacco control in each of the selected countries. Identified roles, responsibilities and timelines for the agreed actions within a multi-sectoral scheme.

Keywords

WHO FCTC implementation; countries in transition; sustainable tobacco control

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Presentations

- » Welcome, goals and objectives of the session Sahar Labib (Egypt)
- » AFRO's experience Ezra Ogwell Ouma (Congo - Democratic Rep.)
- » Experience from Egypt Sahar Labib (Egypt)
- » Experience of Russia Dmitry Yanin (Russian Federation)
- » Experience from Lebanon Jade Khalife (Lebanon)
- » Tobacco control in countries in transition in EMR Fatimah El-Awa (Egypt)
- » Working groups
- » Close and conclusions