

# Reaccreditation report of NGO observers to MOP4

## Survey response 1

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### A. Contact details

A1. Name of organization
The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union)
A6. Website of organization
www.theunion.org

### B. General information

B1. Please indicate if your organization would like to retain its status as observer to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products
Yes
B2. Does your organization's mission statement specifically refer to tobacco control or to countering/fighting illicit trade in tobacco products?
Yes
B3. If yes, please specify:
Strategic Objectives  The Union is pursuing each of these strategic objectives in accordance with the mission and values:  Knowledge generation: innovation, operational, clinical and public health research Knowledge dissemination and exchange, capacity building, and communication globally and in countries Action: intervention and support for populations vulnerable to tuberculosis, lung disease and tobacco Leadership and advocacy: to promote the development and implementation of policies that advance our mission Engagement: with the global health community at large, including governments, donors, multi-lateral agencies and members, as well as strengthening the voice of affected communities and individuals, and the healthcare workforce Building a sustainable, resilient Union: one that is fit for purpose in pursuing its mission
B4. Does your organization have regional branch(es) to enhance activities in different regions or groups of countries?
Yes
B5. If yes, please provide details
Union Regional Offices: India and Myanmar
B6. Does your organization regularly convene meetings or conferences for its membership?
Yes
B7. If yes, please indicate frequency:
Annually
B9. If yes, is tobacco control or countering/fighting illicit trade in tobacco products covered in the meetings/conferences?
Yes

## C. Participation in meetings organized under the auspices of the Protocol and contributions

C1. Please indicate the meetings organized by the Convention Secretariat at which your organization was represented (sessions of the Meeting of Parties, meetings of inter-sessional groups, working groups, NGO events, etc.)  
Working Group and Advisory Board for the World Conference on Tobacco Control; December 2024 Geneva, February 2025 NYC, April 2025 Dublin, June 2025 Dublin  
NCD Alliance Meeting: February 2025 Kigali

C2. Please list any other meetings or conferences with a focus on tobacco control or countering/fighting illicit trade in tobacco products attended by your organization.

World Conference on Lung Health, November 2024 Indonesia  
European Conference on Tobacco Control October 2024 Athens

## D. Work encouraging Parties to the WHO FCTC to become Party to the Protocol

D1. Have you supported any Party or Parties to the WHO FCTC to become Party to the Protocol?

No

## E. Your organization's activities to support the Parties in their implementation of the Protocol

E. Has your organization conducted any work/activity in relation to the following provisions of the Protocol?

E1. Part II: General obligations

E1.a. Article 4: General obligations:

Yes

E1.b. Article 5: Protection of personal data:

Yes

E1.c. If you responded YES to any of above, please provide details:

We adhere to the data protection policies as set out on [www.theunion.org](http://www.theunion.org)  
We actively promote tobacco control and integration with TB care and services via our conferences, social media, training and education courses, journal publications (IJTLD)

E2 Part III: Supply chain control

E2.a. Article 6 (Licence, equivalent approval or control system):

No

E2.b. Article 7 (Due diligence):

Yes

E2.c. Article 8 (Tracking and tracing):

No

E2.d. Article 9 (Record keeping):

Yes

E2.e. Article 10 (Security and preventive measures):
Yes
E2.f. Article 11 (Sale by Internet, telecommunication, or any other evolving technology):
No
E2.g. Article 12 (Free zones and international transit):
Yes
E2.h. Article 13 (Duty free sales):
No
E2.i. If you responded YES to any of above, please provide details:
We vet all our partners, consultants and contractors to ensure there are no ties to tobacco companies by requiring specific disclosures of conflict and signatures on statements in contracts.
E3 Part IV: Offences
E3.a. Article 14 (Unlawful conduct including criminal offences):
No
E3.b. Article 15 (Liability of legal persons):
No
E3.c. Article 16 (Prosecution and sanctions):
No
E3.d. Article 17 (Seizure payments):
No
E3.e. Article 18 (Disposal or destruction):
No
E3.f. Article 19 (Special investigative techniques):
No
E4. Part V: International cooperation
E4.a. Article 20 (General information sharing):
Yes
E4.b. Article 21 (Enforcement information sharing):
No
E4.c. Article 21 (Information sharing: confidentiality and protection of information):
Yes
E4.d. Article 22 (Assistance and cooperation: training, technical assistance and cooperation in scientific, technical and technological matters):
Yes
E4.e. Article 24 (Assistance and cooperation: investigation and prosecution of offences):
No
E4.f. Article 27 (Law enforcement cooperation):
Yes
E4.g. Article 28 (Mutual administrative assistance):
Yes
E4.h. Article 29 (Mutual legal assistance):
No

E4.i. Article 30 (Extradition) and Article 31 (Measures to ensure extradition):
No
E4.j. If you responded YES to any of above, please provide details:
We offer training courses on Tobacco cessation and integration into TB care; We host an annual conference on Lung Health that includes thematic areas focused on Tobacco control and cessation. We are hosting the World Conference on Tobacco Control in June 2025 specifically focused on supporting the FCTC We support information sharing via our website, membership outreach, social media and email platforms
E5. Part VI: Reporting
E5.a. Article 32 (Reporting and exchange of information):
Yes
E5.b. If you responded YES to any of above, please provide details:
We routinely share information via publicly available reports
E6. Part VII: Institutional arrangements and financial resources
E6.a. Article 36 (Financial resources):
Yes
E6.b. If you responded YES to any of above, please provide details:
We offer in kind services for several technical areas and are actively investing in the hosting of the World Conference on Tobacco Control and ensuring Tobacco Control has thematic representation at the World Conference on Lung Health

## F. Other relevant activities to support the work of the Protocol

F1. Please provide any other relevant information that does not fit under the questions above.

## G. Attachments

G1. Please attach any file relevant to any of the activities reported above.
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## H. Declarations

H1. Please confirm that your organization does not receive, has not received and will not receive in the future, either directly or indirectly, any financial or other contributions or assistances from the tobacco industry or its affiliates. Please also confirm that neither your members nor your partners are affiliated directly or indirectly with the tobacco industry or its affiliates or those furthering the interests of the tobacco industry.
Yes, I confirm
H2. Please confirm that the activity of your organization is in conformity with the Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC and the 15th and 16th preambular paragraphs of the Protocol.
Yes, I confirm
H3. Through my electronic signature, I confirm that the above information is accurate and complete, to the best of our knowledge and abilities:
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