
Reaccreditation report of NGO observers to COP11

Survey response 1

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A. Contact details

A1. Name of organization

World Federation of Public Health Associations
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A6. Website of organization

www.wfpha.org

B. General information

B1. Please indicate if your organization would like to retain its status as observer to the Conference of the Parties

Yes

B2. Does your organization's mission statement specifically refer to tobacco control?

Yes

B3. If yes, please specify:

One of the missions of the WFPHA is to advocate for global policies that will enhance the health of populations and the planet by promoting sustainable health equity and peace. Our tobacco control working group has created numerous statements, including a casebook, and is currently in the process of implementing them. Our strategic plan, which is consistent with our missions, includes the following tasks: "Collaborating with the Tobacco Control Working Group and the Women Adolescents & Children Group on a Survey on "Health Professionals' and Students' Attitudes towards Tobacco Control Policies and Industry Interference" (Y WG); "Starting a new initiative that involves researching young people's attitudes toward tobacco endgame strategies globally, as well as the accuracy of online data regarding tobacco safety." (Young WFPHA, WAC WG); For publication, the Big Tobacco Casebook was submitted to an academic journal.

B4. Does your organization have regional branch(es) to enhance activities in different regions or groups of countries?
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Yes

B5. If yes, please provide details

Our federation has members from all around the world, including regional federations in the Americas region, Africa, Asian-Pacific region and Europe
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B6. Does your organization regularly convene meetings or conferences for its membership?
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Yes

B7. If yes, is tobacco control covered in these meetings?

Yes

B8. If yes, please provide details

Our federation has a working group on tobacco control that holds regular meetings. Additionally, our board holds regular meetings with the tobacco control working group to discuss various projects and policies. The tobacco control working group provides regular updates on their activities to the board and members of the federation.

C. Participation in WHO FCTC meetings and contributions to other tobacco control related events

C1. Please indicate the meetings organized by the Convention Secretariat at which your organization was represented (sessions of the Conference of the Parties, meetings of intersessional groups, NGO meetings, etc.)

C2. Please list any other meetings or conferences with a focus on tobacco control attended by your organization

World Congress on Public Health. WFPHA Tobacco control WG organized several sessions focused on tobacco control.
Global Public Health Week. Organization of several webinars and interviews on Tobacco control

D. Your organization's activities to support implementation of the WHO FCTC

D1. Article 5 (General obligations)?

Yes

D2. If yes, please provide details

Production and publication of casebook "Big Tobacco's Dirty Tricks" highlighting tobacco industry tactics and emphasising importance of FCTC 5.3 in countering these measures.

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC10731746/>

<https://www.wfpha.org/big-tobaccos-dirty-tricks-a-casebook/>

D3. Article 6 (Price and tax measures to reduce demand for tobacco)?

Yes

D4. If yes, please provide details

Webinar in Global Public Health Week 2022 highlighting challenges and opportunities in tobacco control, from perspective of Bangladesh, Israel and Australia. Included information about taxation policies.

D5. Article 8 (Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke)?

No

D7. Article 9 (Regulation of the contents of tobacco product) and/or Article 10 (Regulation of tobacco product disclosures)?

No

D9. Article 11 (Packaging and labelling of tobacco products)?

Yes

D10. If yes, please provide details

Currently working on an initiative for Global Public Health Week 2025, in which packaging and labelling of all nicotine products is compared globally

D11. Article 12 (Education, communication, training and public awareness)?

Yes

D12. If yes, please provide details

Multiple webinars, interviews and presentations at conferences to educate and increase awareness about tobacco control and FCTC

- World Congress on Public Health 2023

- Global Public Health Week 2022, 2023, 2024

- European Public Health Conference 2024

D13. Article 13 (Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship)?

Yes

D14. If yes, please provide details

Production and publication of casebook "Big Tobacco's Dirty Tricks" highlighting tobacco industry tactics, including TAPS

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D15. Article 14 (Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation)
No
D17. Article 15 (Illicit trade in tobacco products)?
No
D19. Article 16 (Sales to and by minors)?
No
D21. Article 17 (Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities) and/or Article 18 (Protection of the environment and the health of persons)?
Yes
D22. If yes, please provide details
Scoping review of evidence for environmental impact of e-cigarettes, published 2023 https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC10542855/
D23. Article 19 (Liability)?
No
D25. Article 20 (Research, surveillance and exchange of information)?
Yes
D26. If yes, please provide details
Research articles as mentioned above Also in 2025, submitted original research from international cross-sectional survey of young people's opinions and attitudes towards tobacco endgame measures and e-cigarette regulations. Will be presenting this data at the World Conference on Tobacco Control in Dublin in June 2025
D27. Article 22 (Cooperation in the scientific, technical and legal fields and provision of related expertise)?
Yes
D28. If yes, please provide details
Tobacco Control Working Group Chair Dr. John Gannon is on the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland Clinical Advisory Group on Smoking & E-Cigarettes. This group advises the Department of Health in the Irish Government around measures relating to tobacco. Recently the group was successful in influencing the Irish Government to adopt a Tobacco 21 policy, restricting sales of tobacco products to people aged 21 and over.

E. Other relevant activities to support the work of the WHO FCTC

E1. Please provide any other relevant information
The Tobacco Control Working Group within the WFPHA has a group of voluntary members from diverse backgrounds who are experts in tobacco control, in the form of public health specialists, researchers, professors and educators, advocates and policymakers. This group brings those skills together to engage in research, education and activities to support FCTC implementation.
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F. Declarations

F1. 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 assistance 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

F2. By electronic signature I confirm that the above information is accurate and completed to the best of our abilities.

I confirm that the above information is accurate and completed to the best of our abilities. Signed Bettina Borisch, CEO of WFPHA

F3. Please confirm that the activities of your organization are in conformity with the 17th and 18th preambular paragraphs and Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC.

Yes, I confirm