



Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

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DECISION

FCTC/COP7(27) Contribution of the Conference of the Parties to achieving the noncommunicable disease global target on the reduction of tobacco use

The Conference of the Parties (COP),

Recalling its decision FCTC/COP6(16) towards a stronger contribution of the Conference of the Parties to achieving the noncommunicable disease (NCD) global target on the reduction of tobacco use;

Mindful of the various international developments in addressing the global NCD voluntary targets and the implementation of the Political Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases;

Welcoming the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including inter alia Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 (Ensure Healthy Lives and Promote Well-being for All at All Ages), and reaffirming its specific and interlinked targets, including SDG target 3.4 and SDG target 3.a;

Concerned about the slow progress at the national level in achieving the NCD tobacco use reduction target;

Acknowledging these developments and commitments and recognizing the mandate of the COP as the global governing body that addresses tobacco control within the mandate of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC);

Aware of the United Nations General Assembly high-level review scheduled for 2018 to review progress of implementation of the United Nations Political Declaration on NCDs, and the need for countries to achieve and demonstrate progress in this area;

Stressing the need for close follow-up by COP with its Parties on achieving the global voluntary target of a 30% relative reduction in the prevalence of current tobacco use in people aged 15 years and over, which is in line with the objectives and aims of the WHO FCTC ;

Recalling that the Global Action Plan for Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases (2013–2020) proposes that WHO Member States may, as appropriate to national contexts, develop and implement a national multisectoral NCD policy and plan taking into account national priorities and domestic circumstances;

1. CALLS ON Parties,
 - (a) to develop WHO FCTC implementation plans or highlight WHO FCTC implementation within national multisectoral NCD policies and plans as appropriate to Parties national contexts;
 - (b) to report, through the Convention Secretariat working in conjunction with the World Health Organization (WHO), to the next COP on efforts to set national tobacco use reduction targets in line with the global voluntary NCD targets and to report on their progress in tobacco use reduction;
2. REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat:
 - (a) to promote WHO FCTC implementation as an essential and high-impact strategy for achieving SDG target 3.4;
 - (b) to follow up on the technical paper, jointly developed with WHO, on the contribution and impact of WHO FCTC implementation on achieving a reduction in the prevalence of current tobacco use, and submit to the eighth session of the COP a report to Parties on developments in this regard;
 - (c) to leverage opportunities as a member of the WHO Global Coordination Mechanism on the Prevention and Control of NCDs and the United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of NCDs, to identify needed actions from COP and from the Convention Secretariat to strengthen efforts towards achieving of the NCD tobacco use reduction target;
 - (d) to report to eighth session of the COP on the progress of the work;
 - (e) to explore possible engagement with regional intergovernmental organizations;
 - (f) to work with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), WHO and other partners in the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to embed support of the implementation of the WHO FCTC throughout Parties' national efforts to achieve the SDGs, including by integrating WHO FCTC implementation in national priorities in the development of the United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks.

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