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Dear Madam or Sir,

Let me express our gratitude to the WHO on behalf of the Czech Republic for open consultation held on the second draft WHO discussion paper containing a proposed updated Appendix 3 of the WHO global action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases 2013–2030.

Please, find below some comments on behalf of the Czech Republic:

Tobacco use

Objective 3, part Tobacco, page 10:

We recommend using the words tobacco and nicotine instead of just tobacco in interventions.

Justification: Due to the proliferation of new and emerging tobacco and nicotine products such as nicotine pouches.

Harmful use of alcohol

Overarching/enabling actions

Implement the WHO Global strategy to reduce harmful use of alcohol through multisectoral actions in the recommended target areas 16 Implement the action plan on alcohol to support and complement policy measures and interventions implemented at the national level in the 10 areas recommended of the global strategy 17

Objective 3, part Alcohol, Overarching/enabling action 2, page 11:

Change the text to: Implement the Action plan on alcohol 2022-2030 to support and complement policy measures and interventions implemented at national level in accordance with 10 areas recommended in the Global strategy.

Justification: As written currently, this text is a little bit confusing, draft of the Action plan 2022-2030 includes 6 key areas, but the link here is to this Action plan and the text refers to 10 areas of Global strategy which is in previous overarching/enabling action.



A10 Provide prevention, treatment and care for alcohol use disorders and comorbid conditions in health and social services

Objective 3, part Alcohol, Intervention A10, page 11:

Also include harm reduction to A10: Provide prevention, **harm reduction**, treatment, and care for...

Justification: As the Global strategy is focused and also named „...to reduce the harmful use of alcohol“, we would prefer to include it to this text.

To conclude, let us thank you for a very concise draft and we are looking forward to engaging in the future work in this matter.

With kind regards,

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