

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

### DECLARATION

*To be included in registration forms of in-person Congress and digital events*

*To be completed by all speakers and participants*

### POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- I declare that neither I nor any organization I represent receives or has received any direct or indirect financial assistance or funding from the tobacco industry<sup>1</sup>, or any entity working to further its interests, within the past five years (excluding taxes, fiscal duties, court-mandated payments, or settlements).
- I declare that I am not working directly or indirectly for or with the Foundation for a Smoke-Free World.
- I declare that neither I nor any ENDS/ENNDS<sup>2</sup> organization I represent receives or has received any direct or indirect financial assistance from the tobacco industry<sup>1</sup>, or any entity working to further its interests, within the past five years.

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<sup>1</sup> According to the key principles of the **global tobacco control treaty**, WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) and the provisions of FCTC Article 5.3 Guidelines, there is an irreconcilable conflict of interest between the commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry and those of public health. Accordingly, the **tobacco industry** is defined to include any tobacco or tobacco product manufacturer, distributor, importer, or retailer, any parent, affiliate, branch, or subsidiary of a tobacco manufacturer, distributor, importer, retailer, or front group or any individual or entity, such as an interest group, think tank, advocacy organization, lawyer, law firm, scientist, lobbyist, advertising agency, business, or foundation, that represents, receives funding from, or works to promote tobacco products, their sale or to limit their regulation.

<sup>2</sup> According to the definition in **FCTC\_COP\_7\_11**, ENDS/ENNDS are products that “heat a solution (e-liquid) to create an aerosol which frequently contains flavourants, usually dissolved into Propylene Glycol or/and Glycerin. All ENDS (but not ENNDS) contain nicotine. Although generally considered a single product class, these products constitute a diverse group with potentially significant differences in the production of toxicants and delivery of nicotine. There are several coexisting types of devices on the market: first-generation or so-called cigarlike, second-generation tank systems and even larger third-generation or personal vaporizers. Others classify these devices into closed and open systems depending mainly on the degree of control that users have over the e-liquid used and the voltage and resistance applied to heating the e-liquid and ventilation features.”

Examples of **interests** that need to be disclosed are: consultancy/ advisory, ownership of stocks and other forms of ownership interests, honoraria, gifts, or favors, contractual relationship, research funding, former or present employment, or being a beneficiary of such funding, submission/ expression of positions in favor of the tobacco industry, direct or indirect funding, or any other interests not listed here that may be perceived to or give the appearance of potentially affecting your objectivity or independence.