

EUPHA welcomes and supports the Economist Group's decision to cease its engagement with the tobacco industry

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EUPHA will be happy to re-connect with the Economist Group and work jointly on their health initiatives, which have previously had an important and engaging policy impact. This statement follows the Economist Group's decision to terminate their relationship with the tobacco industry, which confirms and supports their commitment to public health and public health policies.

EUPHA is committed to comprehensive tobacco control as a part of health promoting and overall preventative efforts to reduce the burden of non-communicable diseases, which are the overall leading cause of death, disability and lower quality of life across the globe.

The importance of cross-sectoral alliances is vital to the implementation of successful sustainable public policies, which lead to improvements in health and welfare globally. Only such comprehensive commitments may lead to long-term and sustainable effects on global health and sustainable development, to which EUPHA remains strongly committed.

As several key representatives of EUPHA were expected to participate at the 10th World Cancer Series Event, which was going to be held in Brussels, and several following events, but withdrew following the information on Economist Impact's ties with the tobacco industry. This withdrawal was in alignment with consistent World Health Organization (WHO) policies and with the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and, indeed, EUPHA policies and core commitments.

EUPHA is pleased to confirm that, following this important shift in the Economist Group's policies, it will renew its support to all health-related events where collaboration is to be agreed, starting with the World Cancer Series and Future of Health.

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