

## APPENDIX A

### E-cigarettes regulation: International comparison (situation in June 2014)

Legislation from	Sold with nicotine	Specific regulation	Status	Use in public places	Advertisements	Warning	Sale to minors
<b>Germany</b>	Yes	No	Consumer product	Depends on the state	Yes	Not regulated	Yes
<b>France</b>	Yes	No	Consumer product <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Forbidden	Not regulated	No
<b>UK</b>	Yes	No	Consumer product (but government wants to make it a medicinal product)	Yes	Allowed	Not regulated	Should be forbidden in 2014
<b>European Directive</b>	Yes	Yes	Consumer product (but can be considered as medicinal by member states)	Not regulated	Forbidden	Yes	Forbidden under 18 years old
<b>Switzerland (current)</b>	No	No	Consumer product	Yes (specific restrictions apply)	Forbidden	No	Yes
<b>Present study</b>	Yes	Yes	Drug (medication) or new category of product containing nicotine	No	Restricted	Yes	No

1. Unless the product meets the following requirements for medicinal products:

- The nicotine quantity in the vial is above 10mg
- The concentration of nicotine in the refill solution is above 20mg/ml and/or
- The product is presented as a cessation treatment.

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