

## **The role and influence of civil society on political decisions regarding the Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation**

1. Alliance of Slovenian smoking prevention NGOs in the Slovenian Coalition for Tobacco Control (SCTC) in 2002. The main purpose of the SCTC is to encourage co-operation between NGOs that are active on the field of public health.
2. Co-operation of SCTC with the Slovenian Public Health Institute
3. Foundation of the [Movement for promotion of the Clean Indoor Air Legislation](#)
4. SCTC also prepared her version Tobacco control bill, suggesting supplements to the existing legislation.
5. SCTC has achieved to have her own delegate in the parliament of Slovenia. The delegate participates in any negotiations referring to tobacco legislation.
6. Co-operation with representatives of parties in the parliament and collaboration with local governments (city mayors) in order to increase our influence on non-smoking policies
7. Partnership with Public institutions in the National strategy for enabling and promoting healthy lifestyles, including anti-smoking policy and the [Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation](#).
8. Correspondence with the Minister of Health, President of the Republic of Slovenia and trade unions, requesting for support of the [Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation](#).
9. Organisation of various workshops, press conferences, different entertainment activities, etc
10. Conducting public opinion researches on the public support of the [Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation](#).
11. Conducting public opinion researches on the influence of tobacco products advertising on the consumption and popularity of these products.
12. Promoting Tobacco Free Society by;
  - organising different entertainment activities (in association with the media (4 events per year
  - arguing for the complete Workplace Tobacco Ban
  - discouraging young people from using tobacco products.

13. Educational programmes for the young (in association with Public Health Institute of Republic of Slovenia).
14. Attending expert and research advanced study courses
15. Participating in international conferences (e.g. Tobacco or Health?)
16. Widespread media coverage – publishing articles (daily newspapers, magazines, etc) and informing the wider public of the beneficial effects of the [Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation](#).
17. Informing hospitality industry employees and their employers of the economic and health benefits of the [Workplace Tobacco Ban / tobacco legislation](#). (e.g. higher productivity of employees, decreasing number of employees on the sick leave, etc.)
18. Partnership with the following organisations;
  - European Network for Smoking prevention
  - European Union of Non-smokers
  - Action on Smoking and Health from Ireland (ASH)
  - Norwegian Institute for Alcohol and Drug Research
  - GLOBALink
19. Performing weekly radio and television broadcasts (Živa – »Alive«, Midnight club, From our country, Mini urgencia« Mini urgent«...)
20. International networking
21. Translating foreign literature concerning tobacco abuse and tobacco related problems.