



ORIENTATION WORKSHOP ON “TOBACCO QUESTIONS FOR SURVEYS OF YOUTH (TQS-YOUTH)”

09-10 May 2023

Ankara, Republic of Türkiye

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1 Background and Objectives

Tobacco Questions for Surveys (TQS) was developed with a view to incorporating the globally standardized tobacco questions into the ongoing national and international surveys. This subset of key questions from the Global Adult Tobacco Survey (GATS) is meant to improve comparability of tobacco data over time by harmonizing tobacco surveillance across various ongoing surveys. TQS is a component of the Global Tobacco Surveillance System (GTSS), which was developed by the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and other partners to assist countries in establishing tobacco control surveillance and monitoring programs. Articles 20 and 21 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) underline that an efficient and systematic surveillance method for monitoring the epidemic is a vital component of a comprehensive global tobacco control strategy.

The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) aims to reduce its member countries' exposures to the harmful effects of tobacco. The OIC, through a number of initiatives including its Strategic Health Programme of Action (OIC-SHPA) 2014-2023, purports to accelerate the implementation of the WHO FCTC in OIC member countries. In this context, the TQS integration within the framework of ongoing surveys in OIC member countries will serve as a mechanism to harmonize and standardize the monitoring of key tobacco control indicators, as well as to promote sustainability and integration with other risk factors surveillance initiatives. Data generated through the OIC initiative can be an important tool for building and sustaining evidence-based tobacco control programs.

Against this background, the TQS was presented at the 4th Session of the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC-StatCom) in April 2014, where the participating National Statistical Offices (NSOs) of OIC member countries affirmed that the direct involvement of the NSOs, along with the relevant national and international stakeholders, is crucial for the successful integration of TQS into the ongoing survey for measuring the tobacco epidemic. Since then, SESRIC has supervised the integration schemes of the questions found in the TQS booklet into the nationwide surveys of selected OIC member countries based on the terms set forth by the CDC and CDC Foundation.

Following the successful implementation of the TQS, the project was expanded to include the integration of Tobacco Questions for Surveys of Youth (TQS-Youth) into the ongoing surveys in selected OIC member countries. TQS-Youth, the subset of key questions from the Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS), was developed for incorporating the globally standardised tobacco questions for youth into ongoing national surveys.

So far, SESRIC has successfully engaged with two OIC member countries for TQS-Youth integration, and both have completed the project. However, there are other member countries that are requesting additional information and technical support, beyond the engagement of



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SESRIC. Thus, an Orientation Workshop on TQS-Youth is planned to assist these member countries, with technical support to be provided by the CDC and WHO; and program support to be provided by the CDC Foundation.

The Workshop will cover the following topics:

- Tobacco Burden: Overview of the global tobacco burden and the importance of monitoring the tobacco epidemic - Youth and adults to generate evidence base for countries to implement policies and programs;
- TQS-Youth Survey Questions and Implementation Guidelines: Details on the development and content of TQS-Youth questions; examples of successful implementation; methodological guidelines for integrating TQS-Youth questions into existing surveys;
- Analysis: Details on analysing the TQS-Youth questions, developing indicators from the data, preparing TQS-Youth tables and TQS-Youth fact sheet;
- Data Dissemination: Dissemination of findings and using the data for action; and
- Country Experiences: Implementation of TQS-Adult and TQS-Youth.

2 Target Countries and Participants

The Workshop is targeted at the representatives from around 21 OIC member countries that have implemented TQS-Youth integration project and may consider implementing the TQS-Youth integration project. Each invited OIC member country will be represented by two competent experts (one from the NSO and one from the Ministry of Health (MoH)).

3 Logistical Details

The Workshop will be held at SESRIC Headquarters in Ankara, Republic of Türkiye on 09-10 May 2023. Simultaneous translation will be provided among English, Arabic, and French. The NSOs and/or MoHs of the OIC member countries that would like to share their experiences and opportunities in integrating TQS-Youth questions into their ongoing surveys together with their other national practices in measuring and reporting tobacco use among their youth populations are kindly invited to inform SESRIC at their earliest convenience. Each presenter country is kindly requested to send their presentations to statistics@sesric.org before 21 April 2023.



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4 Work Programme

Day 1: Tuesday, 09 May 2023	
09:00 – 09:15	Registration
09:15 – 10:20	Quran Recitation (5') Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ms. Natalie BISHOP, Senior Program Officer, CDC Foundation (10')▪ Dr. Indu B. AHLUWALIA, Branch Chief, Office on Smoking and Health, Global Tobacco Control Branch, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (10')▪ H.E. Ms. Zehra Zümriit SELÇUK, Director General, SESRIC (10')▪ Tour de Table: Introduction of Participants (30')
10:20 – 11:00	Family Photo and Coffee Break
11:00 – 11:30	The Global Burden of Tobacco: Monitoring Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) Targets and Tracking the Tobacco Epidemic <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Prof. Dr. Toker ERGÜDER, Programme Manager, Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs), WHO Türkiye Country Office Q&A
11:30 – 12:30	Tobacco Questions for Surveys of Youth (TQS-Youth): A Subset of Key Questions from Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS) (Overview & Technical Package; Implementation: Guidelines and Examples) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dr. Gibril NJIE, Team Lead for Surveillance and Monitoring, Office on Smoking and Health, Global Tobacco Control Branch, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Q&A
12:30 – 14:00	Prayer & Lunch Break
14:00 – 14:30	SESRIC TQS and TQS-Youth Engagement Process <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ms. Nenden Octavarulia SHANTY, Senior Researcher, SESRIC Q&A
14:30 – 15:00	TQS-Adult Implementation: PCBS Experience Conducting the 2021 Smoking and Tobacco Consumption Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mr. Mohammed F. M. DRAIDI, Director of General Population and Social Statistics Directorate, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) Q&A
15:00 – 15:30	TQS-Youth Implementation: Country Experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mr. Massa DIAKITE, in Charge of Survey, National Institute of Statistics (INSTAT) of Mali Q&A
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break
15:45 – 16:15	TQS-Youth Implementation: Country Experience (Cont.) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mr. Abdou MAINA ZEIBADA, Head of Survey Division, National Institute of Statistics (INS) of Niger Q&A



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16:15 – 17:00	Questions and Answers <i>Facilitator: CDC, CDC Foundation, WHO and SESRIC</i>
19:00 – 21:00	Gala Dinner

Day 2: Wednesday, 10 May 2023	
09:30 – 10:30	Review of TQS-Youth Analysis Indicators, Tables, and TQS-Youth Fact Sheet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Mr. Jeremy MORTON, Senior Survey Methodologist, Office on Smoking and Health, Global Tobacco Control Branch, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</i> Q&A
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	Dissemination and Data to Action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Ms. Adriana DRAGICEVIC, Research and Evaluation Specialist, Office on Smoking and Health, Global Tobacco Control Branch, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</i> Q&A
12:30 – 14:00	Prayer & Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:30	Country Presentations: Opportunities to Integrate TQS-Youth <i>Facilitator: SESRIC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Mr. Yashar PASHA, Head of Quality of Life Statistics Department, State Statistical Committee (SSC) of Azerbaijan (15')</i> ▪ <i>Mrs. Amira Elsaied ABDOU SOLIMAN, Head of General Department of Population Estimates and Fertility Research, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) of Egypt (15')</i> ▪ <i>Mr. Erick-Claude MBA, Technical Coordinator of the National Tobacco Control Program, Ministry of Public Health and Population of Gabon (15')</i> ▪ <i>Mr. Suleimane DARAME, Chief of Department of Planning, National Institute of Statistics (INE) of Guinea-Bissau (15')</i> ▪ <i>Dr. Muhammad Fadhli MOHD YUSOFF, Head of Noncommunicable Disease Research Centre, Ministry of Health Malaysia, and Mrs. Roslawati binti YAHYA, Director of Manpower and Social Statistics Division, Department of Statistics Malaysia (15')</i> Q&A
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break
15:45 – 16:30	Questions and Answers <i>Facilitator: CDC, CDC Foundation, WHO and SESRIC</i>
16:30 – 17:00	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>SESRIC, CDC and CDC Foundation</i>



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