Appendix 1 (online supplementary material): List of 62 countries included in analysis

Americas Region									
Argentina	Brazil	Canada	Chile	Colombia	Costa Rica	Ecuador			
Guatemala	Honduras	Jamaica	Mexico	Panama	Peru	Uruguay			
Eastern Mediterranean Region									
Egypt	Jordan	Lebanon	Pakistan						
Europe									
England	France	Iceland	Ireland	Israel	Northern Ireland	Norway			
Poland	Russia	Scotland	Spain	Sweden	Turkey	Ukraine			
Wales									
Africa									
Burkino Faso	Chad	Kenya	Madagascar	Mauritius	Namibia	Niger			
Seychelles	South Africa	Tanzania	Togo						
South East Asia									
Bangladesh	Bhutan	India	Indonesia	Nepal	Sri Lanka	Thailand			
Western Pac	Western Pacific								
Australia	Brunei	China	Hong Kong	Japan	Macau	Malaysia			
New	Philippines	Singapore	Taiwan	Vietnam					
Zealand									

Appendix 2 (online supplementary material): List of countries with cigarette-specific laws, where waterpipe tobacco could be exempt

Smokefree law (n=0)	Misleading descriptors	Health warnings (n=14)	Advertising, sponsorship,
	(n=6)		promotion (n=2)
-	Australia	Australia	Hong Kong
	Brazil	Canada	Japan
	Chile	Hong Kong	
	China	Jamaica	
	Japan	Japan	
	Jordan	Jordan	
		Macau	
		Madagascar	
		Malaysia	
		Niger	
		Pakistan	
		Poland	
		Taiwan	
		Thailand	

Appendix 3 (Online supplementary material) –Count of news articles by themes and subthemes and by Country

Country Source of Article									
Legislation (264)									
	US	UK	India	UAE	Pakistan	Others			
	(81)	(54)	(26)	(22)	(14)	(67)			
Smoking Ban (Indoor, Public	42	14	8	9	10	44			
Places, & General Ban)	72	17	O	9	10	77			
SB Violation	10	28	8	3	2	3			
Zoning	15	1	0	11	1	13			
Taxation/Price	0	0	0	0	0	1			
HW Labels	2	2	0	0	0	4			
Licensing	23	21	8	5	1	16			
Ban of Sales/Import/Advertising	4	1	3	1	1	4			
Underage WP Smoking	10	1	6	3	2	13			
General discussion of Regulation	8	1	1	8	0	4			
Health (150)									
	US	UK	India	UAE	Pakistan	Others			
	(80)	(7)	(4)	(5)	(7)	(47)			
Negative Effects of WP	77	6	3	4	7	46			
Claims denying Health Effects	1	0	0	1	0	0			
Controversy	2	1	1	0	0	1			
Promotion (113)									
	US	UK	India	UAE	Pakistan	Others			
	(71)	(12)	(4)	(5)	(2)	(19)			
Price	21	4	0	1	1	6			
Flavors	27	6	1	2	0	3			
Celebrities	3	3	2	1	0	2			
Café/Lounge	33	0	0	1	0	4			
Other	3	3	1	1	1	5			

^{*}Total number of articles: 527

^{*}Subtheme numbers will not add up to the total for each country since most articles received more than one subtheme