

## ROMANIA residents final comments to Nicotine Users Survey 2020

Do you have any additional remarks?

181 comments from Romania residents:

- Thank You!

- I'm disappointed in the lobby power of BigPharma and BigTobacco on the EU regulations, you don't reduce harm, you don't care about people's health. I vaped trouble-free for two years, with a clear improvement on my health. After your stupid regulations, I'm making my own juice, from grey market nicotine, and will continue to do so, no matter the pressure from you bureaucrats. You can't ban VG, you can't ban PG, you can't ban food aromas, there always be source of nicotine, whether you like it or not. I've stopped buying pre-made liquids, after TPD, but I won't stop vaping no matter your stupid regulations, so go ahead and ban all the flavours, all the devices you'd like, there always be a way to circumvent it, you're fighting windmills you're just to ignorant to realize it.

- E.U. legislators, please leave vaping alone, I want to live.

- In Europe, the 10ml limit for nicotine products has produced a huge increase in waste. In Romania, the surtax of about 1.5EUR per 10ml Nicshot has opened the black market for nicotine.

- Vaping is not as harmful as smoking. And I do NOT want to go back to smoking! Do not force me, by increasing taxes and bans, to supply myself on the black market. Thank you.

- Ex-smoker of 40+ cigarettes per day for 30 years, the only thing that helped me totally quit smoking was vaping. Don't let greed kill this exceptional tool wich helped milions and can still help tens of milions smokers to quit smoking cigarettes, helping them to regain their health, which could also help the states by reducing the expenses for curing smoking related diseases and keeping the citizens healthier.

- the variety of flavours keep most of the smokers away from the traditional cigarettes. so don't ban them!

- please don't raise any prices !!!!!

- Please encourage vape, personally it helped me a lot!

- Vaping is much less harmful than smoking and I don't want to smoke again. DO NOT increase fees and do NOT introduce other vaping restrictions. Vaping does NOT mean smoking.

- Do not change something that is good as it is, do not destroy something that help a lot of people to quit smoking, something that probably saved a lot of lives allready and will probably save more in the future. Do not kill us with "big tobacco" interests!!! We don't want to go back to cigars! Please think about our well being, not about tobacco industry benefits!

- Exista studii serioase facute in laboratoare afiliate Universitatilor, etc. si publicate in reviste stiintifice serioase care demonstreaza clar ca vapatul este semnificativ mai putin nociv decat fumatul. Aceste studii ar trebui popularizate.

- I don't see why vaping products that contain nicotine need a tax when smokeless ways of consuming nicotine such as patches and gum/ oral spray are not taxed?

- yes, vapeing is not smoking.

- ciao

- It would be so nice if they stopped taxing vaping more and more and making liquid hard to aquire, so that I wouldn't go back to smoking every now and then because of the sheer convenience.

- vapatul m-a ajutat sa renunt la fumat, mi-a oferit posibilitatea sa decid ce cantitate de nicotina vreau sa consum ajutandu-ma astfel sa o reduc in timp si pe viitor ma gandesc sa renunt si la nicotina...pentru mine vapatul a fost si este un mare ajutor

- nu

- Vapatul mi-a salvat sănătatea. Mai bine aș limita consumul de cannabis decât în lipsa legislației referitoare la consumul de droguri, inclusiv cel de droguri ușoare. De asemenea, nu sunt de acord cu vânzarea către minori a produselor pentru vapat. O metodă de autentificare online care să demonstreze vârsta reală a cumpărătorului ar fi absolut necesară. De asemenea, multe magazine de specialitate (inclusiv online) se aprovizionează din surse obscure.

- Nu

- Don't tax the people which vape 0 nicotine.

- Vaping-ul este un termen foarte larg. Probabil ar trebui reglementat deoarece el poate fi extrem de periculos și extrem de daunător. Din păcate nu există surse clare și utile pentru utilizarea lor și conținutul lichidelor cum se amestecă etc. Războiul împotriva vaping-ului mi se pare stupidă dar din păcate sunt de vina utilizatorii aroganți. Dacă într-un loc este interzis fumatul este bun semn să nu scoți cineva o țigară electronică să pufoie în nas dar lumea o face și o face arogant.

- Vaping helped me quit smoking. It's a positive thing. Regulate it moderately please !

- Accizarea suplimentară și eliminarea diversității aromelor ar fi cea mai bună idee pentru cetățenii care vor să se lase de fumat. Ca cetățean al unei țări membre a UE sunt total împotriva acestei inițiative.

- Make 30mg/ml salt legal on Europe!

- Now, I am not smoking because vaping is a better alternative and I am going to stick to vaping until I don't need nicotine at all because with vaping, I was able to decrease the nicotine level I use. In the past, with cigarettes it was increasing because I wanted to smoke more and more. Vaping helped me to create a balance and decreasing my nicotine level....it is better and better.

- No

- VapeOn Vaping Save Lives

- No

- Lasati-ne sa vapam ca la inceput fara reguli TPD,FARA LIMITA DE NICOTINA,FARA STICLUTE DE 10ML,FARA AROME INTERZISE etc.exact ca la inceputul vapingului.

- I've been vaping for more than 10 years now...Almost from the beginning. It is sad that the money dictates what I should smoke/vape etc. I mean, what sad law is this TPD to only sell 20ml or less nicotine vapes, and also max 2 ml tank...Is like you can vape a 5ml tank at once or what? This law is made just to annoy the consumer into quitting the vape products and get back on the stinky smokes, cause is too much fuss for some people to just refill and enjoy their product. On what health care data are they basing those regulations?

- no

- Nu

- no

- Nu

- No

- No

- No

- Vaping is not tobacco

- The nicotine concentration restriction only opened the market for shady practices, which also exposes many people to the less than adequate quality of the products that may come via these routes. Having a small buying power, restrictions of these type drive the users to behaviours that could cause even more health problems. And it could also drive people back to what they have escaped from via vaping

- Nu

- No

- Nu

- No

- Vaping and the usefulness of it is helping a lot of people like me

- Sustin vapatul, fiind mult mai sanatos si mai putin nociv.

- No!

- Vapatul nu este fumat, nu inteleg de ce ne ingraditi dreptul de a vapa cand sunt atatea studii ca este mai putin daunator decat tigarile clasice, ne vreti bolnavi din moment ce puneti tot felul de accize si reguli!

- Dacă ceva funcționează (indiferent de domeniu), este eficient și nu este defunctor, lasă-l să funcționeze! Vino în ajutorul celor care îl fac să funcționeze, nu le pune piedici! Am fumat aproximativ 18 ani. De 2 ani de zile varez și nu am mai fumat țigări clasice.

- Nu mă friștaxele pentru produsele de vapat.

- No

- no

- Impozitarea majorata a vapingului in Europa va duce la o scadere a numarului de vapori si automat la cresterea numarului de fumatori ce sufera de tabagism cronic. Nu cred ca Europa a vrea un val de AVC, IMA si tulburări circulatorii cronice in momentul asta

- No.

- Vaping was good for me. No waking up in the night to smoke, i have more energy and i can breath normal

- Don't ban vaping, vaping is the best alternative for quitting smoking

- No

- I've been cigarettes free for more than three years due to vaping, after trying several unsuccessful methods before. Vaping won me over mostly because of the different flavours and the ability to customize. Increasing costs and banning flavours would be devastating, not to mention this coming on top of the current worldwide situation. Psychological impact should be taken into consideration.

- Nu am mai fumat de mai bine de 2 ani si consider vapingul o alternativa foarte buna pentru a renunta la fumat

- Nu

- nup

- nu

- Nu

- I haven't smoked a cigarette in years - after previously having smoked (heavily) for 14 years - and I'd really prefer to keep it this way. I have no intention of quitting my nicotine intake - I enjoy (a not so high level of) nicotine in my e-liquid, but I absolutely dread the taste (and smell) of a "real" cigarette. Overly taxing vaping products is ridiculous, since as all other "luxury"/"vice" substances, they have a steep enough price as it is. Vaping works for (and has helped) a lot of people, me included, and we shouldn't be pushed into buying black market products or going back to "classic" cigarettes.

- Bigger nicotine bottles would help us save money on vaping (it's the basic economic principle of "buy more at a lower price"). I think the current taxes on vaping are enough, should said taxes be increased, the average user would turn to black market to get their required products.

- Nu trebuie suprataxe si accize la produsele de vaping.

- Vapatul este si va ramane singura sursa de o mie de ori mai benefica decat Fumatul si cu mult mai sanatoasa, Nicotina se poate regla prin vapat atat intr-o concentratie mai mica, aproape de 0mg cat si mai mare, in schimb prin Fumat Nu. Riscul de a consuma nicotina peste limita suportata de propriul organism este mica prin Vapat, in schimb prin fumat limita se depaseste adesea. Sa nu mai vb de Gudron, Monoxid de Carbon...etc care se regasesc in tigara clasica din belsug si sa nu uitam ce calitatea a ajuns sa aiba tutunul (mai mult artificial, Hartie)!!! PS: Voi VAPA indiferent si prin orice mijloace voi gasi...pana cand voi renunta la fumat/vapat definitiv!!!

- no

- I think a good idea would be to limit the nicotine in e-liquids (ready-to-vape products) to 20 mg/ml but still make nicotine bases of higher concentrations available to the public. All of this while making sure that they come with extra warnings that say that they are for "advanced" users only that like to mix their own e-liquids and they should not be vaped as they are bought from the store, in child-proof bottles (like any other e-liquid), maybe having to take a test to prove you have the knowledge to mix, bottle and store your own e-liquid. Thank you

- Please do not make TPD more prohibitive in what concerns vaping products. They are saving lives and are a major benefit to public health

- Mestecatul de tutun este ca si guma de mestecat cu nicotina, mai ineficient decat vapatul. Nu e vorba doar de nicotina, ci si de ticutul sau obiceiul de a scoate abur/fum, de a duce mana la gura, etc.

- Daca se doreste obtinerea unor sume consistente prin impunerea unor accize/taxe, mai bine s-ar printa bani. In felul acesta sumele ar fi mult mai mari, chiar nelimitate; si nici nu ne-ar mai chinui pe noi, Nu de alta, dar pe zi ce trece suntem din ce in ce mai saraci. Problema mare asta este, saracia, si nu accizarea lichidului de vapat.

- Vaping is good for my health, it saving lifes!

- Opriti accizele si suprataxarea nicotinei, fiecare om are dreptul sa-si aleaga modul de viata, nu faceti decat sa ne luati mai multi bani din buzunar, consider suprataxarea o masura comunista

- Vaping and flavoured (non-tobacco) e-liquids saved my life and helped me quit the cancer sticks.

- Cresterea pretului nu sprijina niciodata consumatorul. Acesta va continua sa umple visteria statului si atat. Este contrar libertatilor basilare ale individului.

- Cel putin 2 intrebari sunt gresite - verificati chestionarul inaintea publicarii

- I think it's important to note that vaping is a harm reduction tool.. one that works very well at that. It would be cruel to take it away from those who need it, and those trying to quit cigarettes. If your plans are to

make it harder for people to use these tools you're being cruel.. Not to mention leading a lot of people back to smoking. If it's to make it easier for those of us who want to save our own lives by using these harm reduction tools, thank you. The world needs this.

- Vapez de 8 . 9 ani . E mult mai convenabil Vapatul decat Fumatul , si la pret si pentru Sanatatea mea si a celor din jurul meu .

- Limiting vaping availability can only be harmful both in the short and long term

- STOP TAXING VAPING PRODUCTS. IT S OBVIOUS YOU SURTAX THE VAPING PRODUCTS SO YOU CAN MAKE ANY ALTERNATIVE TO CLASSICAL SMOKING TOO PRICY SO PEOPLE CAN RETURN TO BUYING CIGARETTES.

- As long as adults have the freedom to smoke traditional tobacco products, they have the right to inhale a safer alternative. The government should not have a say in what I consume or do with my body as long as I'm not hurting anyone else with it. Thank you.

- No

- Vaping helped me to quit cigarettes after 30 years of smoking and felt the improvements to my well-being immediately. Limiting vaping will only produce negative effects.

- M-am lăfsat de fumat datorită Țigărilor electronice ! Produsele Țigărilor sunt oarecum accesibile (mult mai mici ca la Țigărilor clasice) ! DeȚigărilor cu un infarct la activ , elichid-ul Țigărilor nicotina de la Țigărilor electronice nu îmi face răfu deloc , în comparaȚie cu Țigărilor clasice (pe care aȚigărilor putea să le desfinȚigărilor) ! Voi continua săf varez cred doar cu concentraȚia de nicotinȚigărilor preferatȚigărilor ! Este o prostie săf modificaȚigărilor ceva la Țigărilor electronice (elichid,nicotinȚigărilor,etc) ! Mai bine vȚigărilor concentraȚigărilor radical pe Țigărilor clasice ! (care polueazȚigărilor foarte mult) !

- Stop increase the taxes!!!

- In momentul actual, scumpirea fara rost a produselor de vapat m-ar conduce la intoarcerea de la a folosi doar dispozitivul electronic la a fuma 20 de tigari pe zi

- No

- Sa nu se schimbe nimic !

- nu

- stop helping big tabacco, you would never win you know that, respect us the people and we will respect and yoi, lett us vape good eliquids with every aroma, high in nicotine and bigger bottles, and put your normal tax for that i understant but that tax make it a normal tax not big you dont want the corner guy to make money you want your money in your pocket be smart

- Buna ziua, Cred ca ar trebui sa punem problema unui ROMEXIT. Iesirea din acesta paguboasa Uniune Europeana ne-ar rezolva multe probleme. Terminam cu taxale aberante, preturile aberanta, reglementarile aberante, ale unei Uniuni in care am fost pacaliti sa intram. Marea mea dorinta in viata este sa vad aceasta Uniune Europeana desfiintata, si sa ne vedem fiecare de problemele interne asa cum dorim. Nu sa bagam accize si alte taxe in burtile unionistilor! Fostul dictator avea o vorba, si nu era spusa degeaba: "Neamestecul in treburile interne". Stia el ce stia... Dar noi am fost prosti si am intrat in UE... Cu stima, Gabriel Ionescu

- Vapatul trebuie încurajat!

- Ar fi foarte indicat ca UE sa se abtina de la a face vreo tampenie in ceea ce priveste vapatul, indiferent ca vorbim de lichide, de concentratii de nicotina (cum au procedat cu ineptia monumentala care a redus la 20mg/ml concentratia de nicotina) sau de device-uri. Lasati aromele unde sunt, ca ele au intors de la fumat un procent colosal de fumatori, lasati nicotina (care nu e daunatoare, doar creeaza dependenta) in

pace pentru ca piata se autoregleaza (utilizatorii fara cunostinte in amestecuri vor cumpara doar ce concentratie le trebuie, iar cei experimentati in mixarea proprie de lichide stiu ce au de facut cu cele cu concentratii mari sau nicotina pura) si vedeti-va de treburile mai importante. Asta cu vapatul ar trebui sa fie la coada listei, iar lista chestiilor de facut prin UE e al dracului de lunga!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

- Nu

- nu

- Ma simt mai bine de cand am inlocuit fumatul cu vapatul

- All alternatives to smoking tobacco should follow the guidelines: -be less harmful -be cheaper - smell/taste better -availability in all general purpose shops -have full documented package -be highly advertised as a alternative and also as a helping hand to quit smoking -be encouraged by the public institutions (ex. to be able to use indoors, public transport etc.)

- Stop smoking, start vaping!

- Sunt perfect conștient că vapatul este mult, mult, mult mai puțin nociv decât fumatul. Am fumat tutun peste 30 de ani. Sunt vaper de 10 ani. Stiu foarte bine care este diferența. FOARTE BINE!!! NU VREAU să mă întorc la tutun!

- Vapatul este cu 95% mai puțin dăunător decât fumatul. Nu mai supra accizezi nicotina! Nu accizezi vaping-ul dacă vrei într-adevăr ca oamenii să renunțe la fumat!

- I'll put this in English. Our vapers community depends on these hilarious restrictions against vaping, we mostly agree with the regulations of it, but not banning it completely. Vaping saves life's, helps families to do economies, and prevents lung cancer due to heavy smoking. Regulations of the flavors doesn't make any sense whatsoever, if you look at beverage industry also alcohol you'll see flavors similar to ours used and no one says anything. Also the history of vaping has some age, aged enough to tell that vaping helped people. I understand that countries depends on tobacco taxes income, but you cannot force people to smoke again by introducing hilarious restrictions and taxes, try to make a good balance where people and governments don't suffer out of this so called tpd vaping regulations. We are not blind to see that big tobacco and Pharma companies are losing ground over the nicotine products, but once for all think about us the citizens that started a change.

- no

- Please don't harm vaping for big tobacco...

- Nu e normala descurajarea vapatului, UE greseste cand impune legi prostesti in special in tarile sarace cu oameni platiti foarte prost. Nu toti suntem birocrati la Bruxelles

- DONT OVERTAX THE VAPEING PRODUCTS

- Yes! It's really stupid to try to reduce vaping, try to make kids not able to buy them, not to take out the flavors

- ho smesso di fumare con i vaporizzatori ( sigaretta elettronica) da quasi 2 anni, mi sento molto meglio fisicamente e mentalmente da quando fumavo , ho fatto smettere nello stesso modo a mia madre e al mio fratello, pero trovo ancora talmente tanta gente che non conosce cos'è davvero la e-cig, e vorrei tanto che fosse più pubblicizzata ,almeno che dotori e i cadri medicali fossero più informati, per poter aiutare più persone, che potrebbero smettere di fumare, grazie

- Va multumim anticipat.

- Ar fi bine ca UE să elimine complet taxele și suprataxele, reglementările idioate (10ml pentru lichidele cu nicotină, 20mg/ml). Pentru a fi eficientă abandonarea fumatului este nevoie, pentru început, de lichide cu concentrație mare de nicotină (în cazul meu, acum opt ani, am

Început să fumez cu un lichid de 36mg/ml, de pe un dispozitiv absolut primitiv iar acum, vitez doar lichide cu maxim 6mg/ml și doar arome de tutun.

- Nope

- Creșterea concentrației de nicotină pentru nicshoot la 50mg/ml. Posibilitatea de a cumpăra lichide shortfill de 60 de ml cu o concentrație de nicotină de până la 20 mg/ml

- Nu

- Nu

- vapatul m-a ajutat sa renunt la fumat

- Vapam in continuare!

- Vaping, coca cola

- Many people need different flavours in vaping, any ban on flavours and nicotine will lead to a rise of unsafe black market sales.

- Let's us vape! I quit smoking help by vaping! Let's us vape in a bar! It is not dangerous for others. So make the same regulations in all EU countries! I agree with ban vaping in all places where are children. But, it is important to let vaping in the place where normally are no children, like bar, or at work in special indoor places. So, many smokers will try vaping and improve their healthy! Don't put fee on vaping products.

- Smoked for 8 years, 2 years of vape (1 year vape and cigarette, 1 year only vape) currently quit both, vaping helped me quit with a very precise mathematical plan by reducing the nicotine concentration (8mg/ml then 6, 5, 4, 2, 0 each 2 months) and it worked, now i am free from smoking and vaping, it really helped me out.

- The current rules and regulations and the enormous increase of the vaping related costs is an idiotic measure that made a lot of people quit vaping, maybe because of the "lobby" from the big tobacco industry.

- Nu

- Eliminarea supracizei in Romania

- No

- Vapatul, a ajutat, si va ajuta multe persoane, sa se lase de fumat ... m-am lăsat de fumat după 12 ani ( 2 pachete de țigări pe zi ) acum, vitez de 2 ani ... sănătatea mea este mult mai buna, nu zic ca capătul este sănătos, dar este cu 95 % mai puțin nociv, ca fumatul ..

- Vapatul este mai sanatos decat fumatul. De cand nu mai fumez ma simt mult mai bine.

- FACETI PUBLICITATE, LET'S GROW THE VAPE COMMUNITY

- no

- Incurajarea vazarilor produselor de vapat în magazine specializate de către oameni care folosesc produsul pentru a controla cât mai bine accesul la persoanele minore. In Supermarketuri eu nu as permite. Si poate as fi dispus sa plătesc mai mult un pic dacă ar fi un sistem care sa testeze calitatea/continutul aromelor, bazelor(vg și pg) și nicotinei, bumbacului, sarmelor

- Leave Vape free

- no

- Vaping the Best ever

- Vapatul a ajutat o gramada de cunostinte sa renunte la fumat, iar ulterior la vapat. Trebuie sa fie controlate mai bine dar preturile si aromele trebuie sa ramana la fel.

- No tax should be put on e-liquids containing nicotine, and no limit should be put on the nicotine concentration. We are NOT children!

- Basta rompere il cazzo con le vostre tasse di merda Tassate le sigarette e non rompete la minchia

- Scoaterea suprataxelor pentru nicotina È™i posibilitatea achiziÈ›ionĂf rii nicotinei în concentraÈ›ii mai mari

- No

- This thing sucks...fuck eu ideea. ppl must have the right to do what they want, either to smoke or vape as they pleased...

- Yes, I do. Vaping changed my life and if there are going to be more taxes and bans I might quit on this after more than 10 years but I would also in a way might try to find a total different way to replace my addiction and it would not be such as safe than vaping.

- Leave the vaping alone, you have done more harm than good! Find an e-liquid as harmful as possible and flavors as natural as possible !!! Thanks!

- I don't think it's a viable solution to constrain these products that have helped people in quitting smoking. As for the concern for kids I seriously doubt there isn't a solution in a better way of selling these products and having more control over that aspect than just eliminating flavours because "they appeal to kids".

- Consider cĂf suprataxarea vapatului ar constitui o greĂŸealĂf în planul politicilor publice în domeniul reducerii fumatului, care ar alimenta o piaĂŸă subteranĂf, în detrimentul consumului controlat ĂŸi legal.

- Fuck tpd and EU

- Vape not smoke

- Nu

- Don't increase taxes and don't remove flavours. I smoked for 15, from the age of 15 to 30. in the last 2 years I smoked 2 packs a day. Tried to quit but nothing worked: nicotine patches, nicotine gum, teas, psychologic counselling etc. Then on April 15 2010 I bought my first vaping device. That was the day when I smoked the last cigarette. Now I have more than 10 years of vaping. My health improved, saved money, I stink less, happier wife. So I have to ask: when the EU lawmakers consider limiting vaping, do they consider my wellbeing or the wellbeing of the tobacco industry and country budget?

- I think this is just another try of the tabbaco companies to reduce their loses. When smoking 1 pack of 20 cigarettes a day and switch to vaping, after just 2 weeks, suddenly you have twice the energy and endurance you had while smoking... Sure, some brands might use some not so safe chemicals in order to get the flavouring but that is regardless of the flavour mostly. Trying to avoid as much as I can sketchy brands and I would like to see some regulations on what can go in the eliquid and what not. Currently the most dangerous eliquid's would be the ones with TBC which I will never use, some aftermarket ones contain an oil which is destroying your lungs, hence all the horrible cases in America of vapers getting in the ER... cases which are sold on TV as regular vaping did that to them, just a bunch of fake media, vaping for 4 years and the only thing I can say is that I have more energy, feel less tired, got my taste buds back, no more bad breath... I do not consider myself a nicotine addict, I like it just for the kick in my throat, similar with the kick of carbonated water gives you. And I am not saying vaping is safe, I am aware there are some health risks but I am 99.99% convinced it's at least 80% less harmful than smoking and so does it feel. I just wish doctors would start researching effects of vaping vs smoking for real, no more

research done for the sake of tobacco companies such as researching vaping and not even knowing how to use ecigarettes, burning the resistance till it glows, burning the cotton and so on, then saying vaping is hundreds of times more harmful and there are so much chemicals released. That's simply not how this all works, if it was true, some of us, including me, would probably not be able to complete this survey due to our poor health from vaping. I just hope this nonsense will stop at some point and researchers will come with actual true facts, not manipulating the outcome however they want. And yeah, kids vaping is not ok but if you remove the flavours which they should not be able to get legally (18/21+ depending on country), they will still try and probably stick with smoking, been there, did that and vaping was a game changer. As I used to get cigarettes while I was underage when I started smoking, kids our days are getting vaping products just as easily, this is not a problem of price or availability but a matter of country problems in their legal system. I think if countries would pursue to control and fine on a regular basis vapes shops and stores that sell vaping and smoking products to kids, the total percentage of kids vaping/smoking would drop very fast overnight till the point that barely any kids would be able to put their hands on such products. Taxing it wouldn't help in any way except people having to pay more for the same products that helped or would help them quit smoking and most probably taxing it alot would make some vapers going back to smoking and even making people trying to quit smoking looking other way because it would be such an expensive alternative. Taxing too much will start a dangerous black market for eliquids which will be very dangerous, probably getting some of the vapers very ill or even die bc they simply could not afford vaping anymore, yes, I think that too high taxes would end up killing people. If taxes will be implemented, as stated before I would like to see actions being taken such as proper research in order to figure out the safety of vaping compared to smoking, regulations implemented in regards of safe to use chemicals. Stating it one more time, killing flavours would not help with anything, would just make things worse for everyone. Kids would still try vaping, vapers would try to get it through the black market, taxes would be avoided, nobody wins, everyone will loose, including less sales with taxes, hence people would avoid it through the black market. I hope at least half of what I wrote would be taken in consideration. Thank you, Alexandru Nicolae

- F the EU

- If vaping were outlawed to "protect" tax revenue stream from classic cigarettes, with no regard to smokers' health, as done in Australia, I would NEVER revert to buying classic cigarettes. I do insist on vaping with any flavour that is NOT TOBACCO - it helped me forget about it and quit harmful smokes for good. Tax vaping if you must, fine by me, but let us vape!

- It is detrimental for both vapers and smokers who consider quitting in favor of vaping to ban flavors, unless they are based on harmful chemicals. I don't think natural / food flavors can be harmful. After all, we already eat them on a regular basis.

- The nicotine in electronic cigarettes are already high, please don't ban. They are made to help us quit cigarettes, pay less and be healthier. Just refrain access people under 18 have to it, and let the grown people enjoy the electronics

- Am utilizat vaping-ul pentru a ma lasa cu succes de fumat, ultima data cand am consumat tutun fiind acum aproximativ 8 ani. In prezent este mai mult la nivel de hobby decat viciu, in sensul ca folosesc o concentratie foarte redusa de nicotina, 1mg/ml care nu face mare diferenta fie ca il pun sau nu. Nu simt nevoia sa vapez si pot sa las tigara electronica fara probleme acasa daca plec intr-o excursie spre deosebire de tigari atunci cand fumam. Singurul motiv pentru care vapez in prezent sunt aromele care ma ajuta sa consum mai putine dulciuri si partea de hobby de construire a rezistentelor.

- I'm have been vaping for the past 6-7 years and I can confirm that my health is in order, also less vulnerable in the flu season compared to when I smoked, easier time breathing and no more of the other side effects associated to smoking. What I would like is that vaping products be made as safe as possible through testing and quality control, so I expect the EU authorities to put in place strict rules of production and distribution for these types of products and if that will lead to higher end product costs I am ok with it. The focus should not be to add vaping products to the tobacco bucket just because they contain nicotine

but differentiate by way of how nicotine is delivered and the side effects of the entire product, meaning that if the delivery system is harmful like for example regular smoking, then the taxes should be higher due to the overall bigger negative health impact. Over taxation is not the proper way to deter people from using, education is more important and it should come down to each of us to determine if vaping is something that we want to do or not, for most of us vapers this is more than a vice, it's a hobby and a relaxing habit and I'm sorry for Big Tobacco but cigarettes are just bad and people are becoming wiser every day so please ignore lobbyists and resist the urge to add taxes just because something gets more and more popular.

- There are a few pointless restrictions made by TPD A) 10ml cap on juices that contain nicotine B) 2ml restriction for juice capacity in devices C) higher tax on nicotine Explanations - A) DIY and shortfills may be slightly dangerous and messy for the new user. Having bigger bottles of juice that contain nicotine can reduce plastic waste and promote ease of use for new vapers. B) This makes no sense ! The last thing you want is to be left without juice in your tank/device while you are on a busy day out. In my country, cigarettes are a lot more available than vaping devices. For a new vaper, this could be a major set-back and they might go back to smoking that day, because they were tempted to just buy cigarettes instead. Increasing the limit to 4 or 5ml would be of great help ! C) Taxing nicotine so high is absolutely insane. There is no real reason why it should be as high as it is. Tax should be indexed to mg/ml, not just ml. Taxes should also be at least half of what it is right now. TAX CIGARETTES NOT NICOTINE ! CIGARETTES ARE THE KILLER, NOT THE NICOTINE ! Governments of EU need to collect tax from smokers because they then are the likely ones to need medical attention if they do not quit. I think a person who vapes is 99% less likely to seek state-funded medical attention than a person who smokes. STOP INCLUDING VAPING IN TOBACCO CATEGORY. VAPING IS NOT TOBACCO !

- making decision for money , will only discourage people to quit smoking and start vaping.

- nu

- no

- Vaping made my life a lot better, health + cost efficient. For me is a big +. I vaped older products when they just released and i still vape this day on more "advanced" type of atomizers.

- Ae fi bine dacă reglementările UE ar ține cont de aceste sondaje și de părerile medicilor din UK, de exemplu!

- Prin vapat m-am lasat de tutun. Este mult mai bine.

- Mă bucur ca există alternative la fumat. Ador să varez !

- mai bine nu fumez decat sa ma apuc sa dau taxe peste taxe. mai bine mor

- I can honestly say that vaping has saved my life. I was on a downward spiral with cigarette smoking getting dangerously close to 2 packs a day and possibly in another year of smoking maybe even 3 packs, which not only deteriorated my health but also made me live paycheck to paycheck. In the first year of vaping I managed to reduce the concentration of nicotine from 20mg to 0mg with little to no effort, which allowed me to significantly improve my quality of life. Just waking up and not coughing up a lung is amazing. I no longer suffer from cluster headaches and massive migraines. My lung capacity feels better than what it was in high school and my financial status is very much improved. I am very concerned that if higher taxes are implemented, e-liquid aromas are banned or if bigger and more powerful vaping devices are banned it would not only condemn me to inevitably start smoking again, but people who could achieve the same success as myself and many others with quitting smoking will never have the opportunity to do so.

- The 20mg/ml limit only opened the the door for the black market to come in. That is bad for business and consumers alike, and imposes health risks due to quality control

- Nu dorim sa majorati taxele, deoarece deja sunt majorate conform TPD-ului. Asa evitati cazuri cum au fost in SUA cu oameni in spitale ca au cumparaat pod-uri cu THC combinate cu acetat de vitamina E. Lasati oamenii sa renunte la fumatul prin combustie. Luati-ca banii din taxele pe fumatul clasic si al alcoolului si lasati vapatul in pace. Este mult mai safe. Aveti studii facute in UK, recomandarile lor asupra vapatului.

- Let the people vape and quit smoking if it helps. Stop being greedy and find another source to get money if regular tobacco market is dropping, also the sales.

- Vapez de 10 ani

- UE trebuie sa introduca reglementari stricte mai ales in ceea ce priveste compozitia si puritatea e-lichidelor si sa nu majoreze nejustificat costul e-lichidelor, altfel va apare o contrabanda cu e-lichide de proasta calitate si produse in conditii dubioase.

- Credo che ormai si sia capito che l'Europa vuole mettere il suo marchio anche sullo svapo, cosa assurda,

- Please do not ban e-liquid flavors. Probably I will smoke more...

- Rugam autoritatile sa respecte legislatia actuala , nu sa o modifice dupa bunul plac/interes ,in detrimentul comunitatii.

- Cresterea cantitatii de nicotina din lichide, majorarea cantitatii peste 10ml, educarea utilizatorilor, daca nu despre dispozitive atunci cel putin mai mult informatii despre ingredientele din lichide. Toate acestea le consider absolut necesare si sustin implementarea sau schimbarea unor legi in acest sens. Taxe mai mari, lipsa de arome precum alte accize si legi care ar ingreuna vapatul cred cu tarie ca ar duce la crearea unei pietete negre de care nu avem nevoie.

- Libertatea de a fuma sau vapa este a fiecaruia, nu consider ca este cazul sa ingradim acest lucru si sa consideram tutunul sau lichidele pentru vapat asemenea drogurilor de mare risc. Fiecare dintre noi este stapan pe corpul lui si nu consider necesar sa vina o institutie sa impuna reguli.

- Nu

- Nu!

- Vaping-ul ajuta enorm sa renunti la fumatul clasic. Consider ca UE ar trebui sa incurajeze aceasta industrie si sa ia exemplul UK-ului, unde Guvernul Englez promoveaza si incurajeaza vapatul

- Let us have our little habits, no harm to you people if we vape .... don't make this even harder than already is (after a lot of taxes had been added already in my country, Romania)

- Scoate-ti prostia aia de TPD. Era foarte bine cum era inainte. Daca chiar vreti sa limitati ceva, limitati tutunul incalzit. Vapatul este de 10000x mai bun decat tutunul incalzit gen IQOS.

- Ca vreti sa puneti accize pe tot ca sa faceti burtile mari si sa fumati si sa beti cat aveti chef pt ca va permiteti. Iar noi, muritorii de rand suntem din ce in ce mai constransi, mai taxati, mai accezati, ni se limiteaza drepturile si libertatea din ce in ce mai mult. O sa puneti acciza in curand si pe aerul pe care-l respiram. Cred ca nu degeaba purtam masti chiar si in aer liber...

- Treat vaping liquids as tobacco products is just stupid. It helps reducing or stop consuming cigarettes. Lately I have changed habits and smoke more than vaping but it was a period when I could not stand the smell of the cigarette. I couldn't vape in the apartment so I use cigarettes outside. Vaping was too noisy and the pandemic and the clouds left behind was something I considered for my neighbors peace of mind. Since I moved recently I will start vaping more than smoking. It's a very thin line to cross from one side to another, but it helped me before to almost completely quit smoking so it's not impossible.

- GOVERNMENTS SHOULD STOP TAKING ADVANTAGE OF PEOPLE NEEDS SO THEY CAN MAKE MONEY FROM TAXES , THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DRUGS DEALERS AND GOVERNMENTS , BOTH ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF ADDICTION .