



Three Million European Lives Could Have Been Saved by Following Sweden's Smoke Free Policies

Previously, The Swedish Experience: A Roadmap To A Smoke Free Society, looked at how Sweden is on track to be smoke-free, 17 years ahead of target. Swedish policymakers provided smokers with a choice of alternatives to smoking, alongside education and tobacco control measures.

Now, Saving Lives Like Sweden shows how millions of lives across WHO member states could be saved if the Swedish model were applied.

What we found



2.9 million lives could have been saved between 2000-2019 if the EU had the same smoking-related mortality as Sweden



EU citizens could have enjoyed 108 million more healthy years of life if their countries had followed the Swedish model





If each of these countries had the same rate of tobacco-attributed mortality and morbidity as Sweden between 2000 and 2019, they could have saved millions of lives and gained hundreds of millions of healthy years

Poland



442,000 lives 16.8 million years

Germany



455,000 lives 15.5 million years

United Kingdom



680,000 lives 13.4 million years

Italy



124,000 lives 4.2 million years

Romania



251,000 lives 10.5 million years

Hungary



251,000 lives 7.9 million years

Belgium



90,000 lives 2.3 million years

