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Advocate General's opinion on the EU Tobacco Products Directive

In her Opinions issued today, Advocate General Juliane Kokott concludes that the 2014 EU Tobacco Products Directive of 2014 was lawfully adopted.

The European Heart Network (EHN) welcomes the Opinion which rejects all arguments presented against the Tobacco Products Directive.

EHN Director Susanne Løgstrup says: *“We are delighted about the Advocate General’s robust support of the legality of the Tobacco Products Directive and the emphasis she gives to the Treaty obligation to take a high level of health protection into consideration.”*

The Opinion reiterates the considerable latitude given to the EU legislature in ensuring that tobacco and related products may be placed on the market under uniform conditions throughout the EU without losing sight of the fundamental objective of a high level of health protection.

The Court of Justice of the European Union will deliver its final judgments in the next few months.