New national alcohol policy launched in Ghana

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A national policy to regulate the production, distribution, sale, advertisement and consumption of alcohol has been launched in Accra, Ghana's capital this week.

After years of working with key stakeholders to combine the fragmented laws that existed before, the 33-page document would now set out a policy direction aimed at regulating the production, distribution sale, advertisement and consumption of alcohol, with the aim of preventing and reducing alcohol harm on the individual, family and society as a whole.

In addition to pulling the fragmented alcohol policy documents into one coherent approach, Ghana will also create a central and independent coordinating body to ensure the implementation and enforcement of the new policy – the Ghana National Alcohol Commission.

The policy was developed by the Ministry of Health, with support from the Baraka Policy Institute, civil society organizations, and the World Health Organisation (WHO).

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