## コラム:チェコの禁煙法

- 2017 年 5 月 31 日より禁煙法が施行。全ての飲食店(バー、レストラン、カフェ等)、公共交通機関(トラム・バス停、地下鉄構内、車内)、教育施設、病院、動物園、遊園地等では、屋外の指定エリア以外では禁煙。スポーツ施設、劇場、映画館、展示場、イベント会場等では、指定された専用ルーム以外では禁煙。
- 罰金は、個人に対し 5,000 コルナ、店側に対し 50,000 コルナ。
- チェコでの喫煙率は約 22%と EU 平均より高く、禁煙法の導入は EU28 ヶ国中、23 番目となっている。

Act No. 65/2017 Coll. On the Health Protection against the Harmful Effects of Addictive Substances, so called "Anti-smoking Law" took effect from midnight on Tuesday May 30th 2017. The Act aims to improve the protection against the negative effects of addictive substances such as alcohol or tobacco.

The CR becomes the 23<sup>rd</sup> European country with a wide ranging smoking ban. May 31 is the World No Tobacco Day created by the Member States of the World Health Organization in 1987.<sup>1</sup>

Under the Act, it is prohibited to smoke at:

Catering facilities (e.g. bars, coffee shops, restaurants) and public places such as public transportation stops/ platforms (both with and without shelter) and public transportation vehicles, education facilities, hospitals, zoos except for outer designated areas for smoking, playgrounds, sport grounds, theatres, cinemas, exhibition and concert halls, interior space during cultural or dancing events, international airports except for designated separate smoking rooms, <sup>2</sup> and at places where smoking is forbidden by generally binding municipality decree.

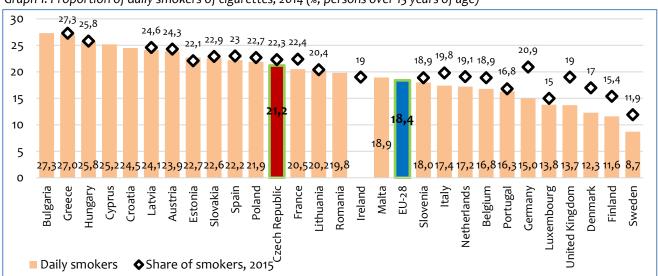
The Act also bans the sale of tobacco products and other related products<sup>3</sup> in healthcare facilities, schools and school facilities and other facilities with children, events designated for persons under 18 years of age, public transportation vehicles except for air transport and in shops with goods designated mainly for persons under 18 years of age.

Further, it is forbidden to sell tobacco products, smoking equipment, herbal products intended for smoking and electronic cigarettes through a vending machine unless only persons over 18 years of age will be eligible to purchase these products. For this purpose, the vendor selling via the vending machine must verify the buyer's age by the person designated for that purpose. With regards to internet selling, the vendors are obliged to operate through a computer program, which is able to verify the buyers' age.

Last but not least, the Act prohibits the import, sale and manufacture of food products and toys imitating the shape and appearance of tobacco products or smoking equipment.

Fines, of up to CZK5,000, on individuals breaking the law take effect immediately. Businesses may be fined up to CZK50,000, but will be given a 90-day period to adapt. Later they may face fines of up to CZK1mn (in case of minors under 18 years of age) or CZK2mn (in case of minor under 15 years of age) and a 2 year ban on doing business.<sup>4</sup>

In the Czech Rep., there were 21.2% daily smokers in 2014, slightly above the EU average of 18.4%.



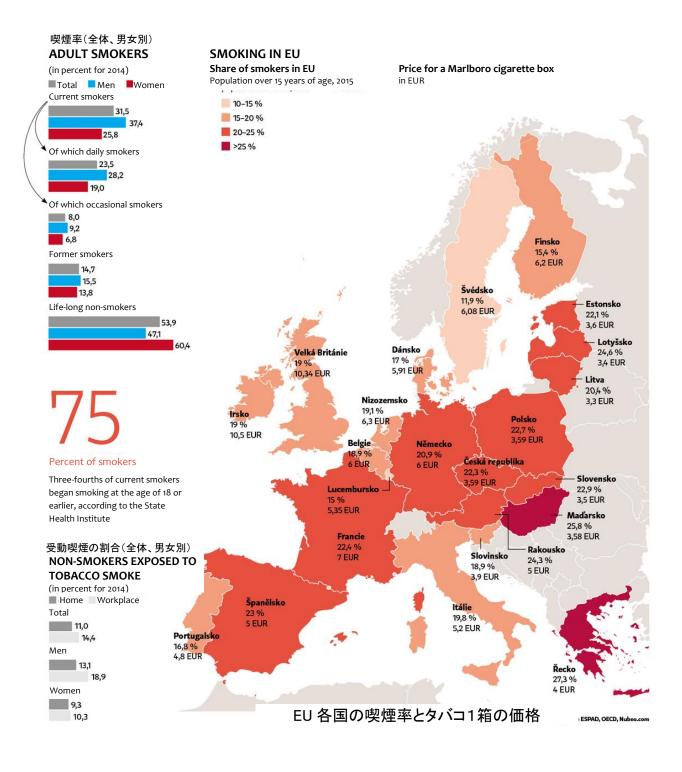
Graph 1: Proportion of daily smokers of cigarettes, 2014 (%, persons over 15 years of age) 1

World Health Organization, World No Tobacco Day http://www.who.int/tobacco/wntd/previous/en/

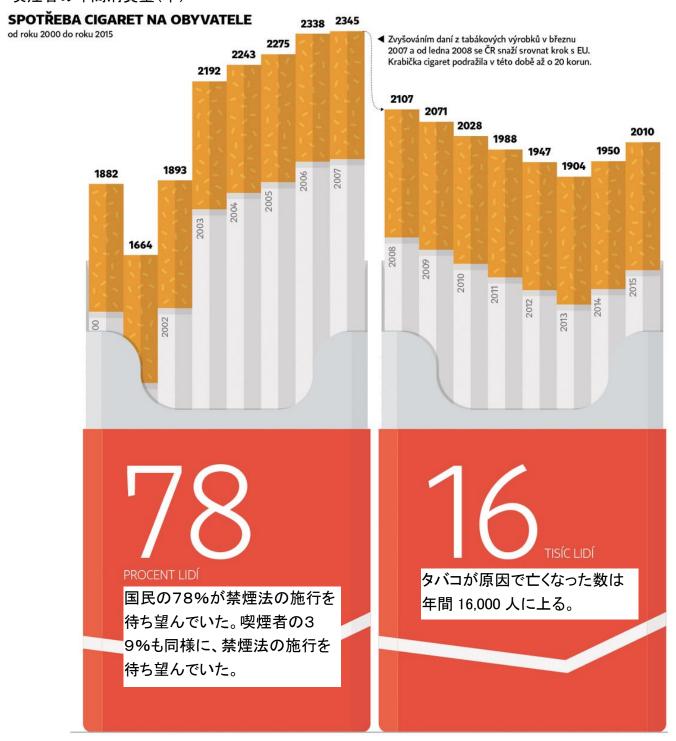
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Water pipes and electronic cigarettes are allowed in catering facilities and zoos

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<sup>4</sup> Act No. 65/2017 Coll.,



## 喫煙者の年間消費量(本)



Hospodářské noviny, 31/5/2017. Czech pub without a smoke, pp. 2, 3.