

GLOBAL HEALTH WEBINAR SERIES

Professor René English, Head of the Division of Health Systems & Public Health at Stellenbosch University, cordially invites you to a seminar on the

Rolling the wheels of collaboration: Tobacco control policy development and alcohol policy implementation in Zambia.



**Presented by
Dr Adam Silumbwe**

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Facilitated by Dr Juliet Nyasulu

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In many low-and middle-income countries, tobacco smoking and harmful alcohol consumption are major public health threats that are inadequately addressed at the policy level. For example, efforts to formulate a comprehensive tobacco control policy have been ongoing in Zambia for close to 12 years, but the country has still not yet been able to finalise one. While Zambia adopted an alcohol policy in 2018, its implementation remains a huge challenge. This research sought to enhance understanding of the context and the collaborative dynamics in the Zambia tobacco control and alcohol policy processes. In particular, it aimed (i) to determine the extent and sociodemographic determinants of tobacco smoking and harmful alcohol consumption (Sub-study 1); (ii) to explore and explain the role of principled engagement and shared motivation in the delayed tobacco control policy (Sub-study 2); and (iii) to unpack factors that shaped the capacity for joint action in the implementation of the alcohol policy (Sub-study 3).

Dr Silumbwe will be sharing the research findings around this which is part of his PhD in Implementation Science.



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About the Speaker

Dr. Adam Silumbwe is lecturer and researcher in the Department of Health Policy and Management, School of Public Health, University of Zambia (UNZA). Dr. Silumbwe was a recipient of the inaugural WHO-TDR MPH training in implementation research between 2016-2018 at the UNZA, and after graduation, he has continued to coordinate and supervise implementation research projects among students in his department. He recently completed his PhD in Public Health in 2025, at the Department of Epidemiology and Global Health, Umeå University, Sweden. His PhD focused on exploring the systems context and the collaborative dynamics in the tobacco control policy development and alcohol policy implementation in Zambia. Further, Dr. Silumbwe has been coordinating two NIH funded projects that seek to strengthen research on NCD risk factors as well as trauma and injuries in Zambia.