



If you are working to improve public health and the environment in Africa, you need to know what your opponents are up to.

**By Rob Moodie**  
*in The Conversation Africa*

Across Africa there are examples of governments trying to introduce policies that improve health, and protect the environment only to find their efforts undermined by unhealthy corporations, and their industry associations. A case in point is South Africa's efforts to introduce a tax on sugary drinks to reduce the growing burden of obesity. In the process they are facing a barrage of resistance. This is one small example of unhealthy industries undermining the public's health and the global environment.