The Nutrition Society Monthly Activity Round-up

April 2022



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS



New Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) Consortium.

On 19 April the CEO attended the second planning meeting of the new Consortium of Nutrition and Dietetic Societies from LMICs. A range of overarching principles and objectives were discussed, and it was agreed to pursue the project as a potential Task Force of the International Union of Nutritional Sciences (IUNS).

Global Research Consortium for School Health and Nutrition.

As part of the Society's support to the Global Research Consortium for School Health and Nutrition, plans to establish a Special Interest Group (SIG) in this area are now well developed. Society members planning the SIG met on 21 April to finalise the SIG application process.

Experimental Biology Conference. The Society mounted an exhibition at the Experimental Biology conference on 2-6 April in Philadelphia, USA. The exhibition promoted the 75th Anniversary of the British Journal of Nutrition (BJN), the Gut Microbiome Journal (GMB), and the Nutrition Society Training Academy (NSTA). The conference was attended by 8,000 delegates and valuable interaction took place with the attendees.

EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS



Academy for Nutrition Sciences (ANS).

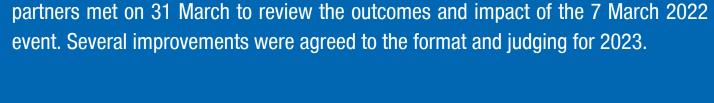
The Society hosts the Secretariat for the ANS and organises quarterly meetings for its Operational Support Group (OSG) of the CEOs of the ANS member organisations. The OSG met on 20 April, and reviewed the communication support being offered to ANS. The methodology for setting the annual ANS membership fee was also discussed and agreed.

The Foundation for Science and Technology (FST).

As a scientific learned society, the Society is supported by the Foundation for Science and Technology, who provide regular governance and legal advice. The Foundation is chaired by the Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS. The CEO attended the Foundation's annual luncheon at The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn, where the guest speaker, the Viscount Stansgate, discussed how learned societies can seek to influence parliamentary debate.

PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES







SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMES

Over 4-5 April the Society's Scottish Section hosted a conference 'Nutrition, immune function and infectious disease' at the Royal Society in Edinburgh. The

Scottish Section Conference.

streaming format.

conference was attended by 100 delegates both face-to face and through the live-



Cambridge University Press Partner Conference. On 29 March the Society's publishing partner, Cambridge University Press (CUP), hosted

PUBLICATIONS



an online Partner Conference during which updates were provided in the many of the topical areas of publishing. A number of Society members attended the conference.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

Strategic Communications Committee.





The Committee met on 30 March and agreed on a number of ways it can support the

completed its work on the new framework for responding to external consultations,

Society's Strategic Plan. It established the communication priorities for 2022,



Board of Trustees.

regular reports, the Council considered: a proposal for a new Membership Advisory Panel, participation in a major external publication,

engagement with the Food Standards Agency.

The Society's Trustees met on 26 April and: reviewed progress within Priority Two of the Strategic Plan,

- discussed the potential for external support to its plans for sustainability, reviewed the elections for new trustees in July 2022,
 - approved the 2022 revised budget, considered a new approach to Trustee training and professional development,
 - reviewed their equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) policies and approach,
- agreed a new partnership with The Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM).

