### The Nutrition Society **Monthly Activity Round-up**

**July 2022** 



#### **INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS**



#### Global Research Consortium for School Health and Nutrition.

The Society is a strategic partner in the Global Research Consortium for School Health and Nutrition. The CEO met with the Consortium's Director on 7 July to update him on the recent formation within the Society of two SIGs in this area

**IUNS Council Meeting.** 

The IUNS Council met at the Society's office on 11 July. The Society's CEO attended as an observer. Amongst its usual business the Council discussed the preparations being made to host the IUNS Congress in Japan in December.

#### **EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS**



#### **Dame Harriette Chick Prize.**

The Society Sponsored the Chick Prize for Science and was represented at Notting Hill and Ealing Girls High School annual prize giving and graduation evening on 30 June. The award was presented to *Jasmine*, for her work in biology. Dame Harriette, and alumni of the School, was the Society's sixth President, serving between 1956-1959.

### **Rank Prize 50th Anniversary.**

The Society's President and CEO attended the Rank Prize's 50th Anniversary reception on 4 July at the IET London. During the evening the Rank Prize for Nutrition was presented to Professor Cathie Martin FRS from University of East Anglia for her research into plant genetics and metabolism.

#### **British Dietetic Association Annual Awards.**

The CEO represented the Society at the annual BDA Awards dinner in Birmingham on 5 July. A number of life time achievements awards were presented, including one to the CEO of the BDA, Mr Andy Burman, for his 16 years of service. Andy will be retiring from the BDA in August.

#### **Medical Speciality CEO Group.**

The Nutrition Society is a member of the Medical Speciality Group of CEO's, a network of 26 learned societies in the medical sector. The Society's CEO serves as Secretary to the group. The group held its six monthly meeting at the Royal Society for Hygiene and Tropical Medicine on 6 July, where the group discussed and reviewed a range of possible collaborative opportunities.

#### **European Nutrition Leadership Programme (ENLP).**

The Society supports the ENLP through providing bursaries to members who are selected to attend the programme. The Society's CEO met with the ENLP on 21 July to review how to strengthen the partnership, and several great ideas emerged.

### **PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES**



# **Parliamentary Links Day.**

The annual Parliamentary Links Day was held on 28 June in the House of Commons and the Society was represented by a number of members and staff. This event brings together representatives from policy makers and parliamentarians to debate relevant current scientific issues. This year's theme was International Scientific Collaborations. Speakers included the Deputy Speaker (Dame Eleanor Laing) and the Science Minister (Mr George Freeman).

#### Parliamentary and Scientific Committee (P&SC) Annual Luncheon. The P&SC is Parliament's longest established All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG). The Society has supported

the committee's activities for the past five years. The annual luncheon meeting was held in the House of Lords on 5 July and was attended by the Society's CEO. The guest speaker was Chi Onwurah MP, a member of the Select Committee for Science.

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMES

**Summer Conference 2022.** 

The Society's summer conference was held at Sheffield Hallam University 12-15 July. Over 250 delegates attended and enjoyed a packed programme of symposia, posters, OCs, and social events. The conference was opened by Sir Charles Godfray, with his thought provoking and inspirational lecture 'The challenge of providing healthy, sustainable and equitable diets for all'.

Over delegates attended

Original Communications presented

guest speakers attended

**GOVERNANCE MEETINGS** 



#### The Society's Trustees hosted the Annual Charity Meeting on 14 July as part of the 2022 Summer Conference. The Society's president, Professor Julie Lovegrove, chaired

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the meeting, which included a review the Society's achievements and financial performance in 2021, and the announcement of the outcomes of the 2022 Trustee and Council elections.