# **The Nutrition Society Monthly Activity Roundup**

#### **March 2022**



#### **INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS**

#### Pakistan Nutrition & Dietetic Society (PNDS).

The Society participated in the Pakistan Nutrition and Dietetics Society's 2nd International Conference in Karachi 10-13 March. Professor Nicola Lowe and Professor Basma Ellahi presented, and the Society hosted 4 workshops on the Research Consortium for school health and career development. Focus groups were also held with 300 delegates to assist the Nutrition Society Training Academy (NSTA) in developing its offerings. Finally, an MOU between Pakistan and the Society was signed.





## New Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) collaboration.

The Society's CEO and the President of IUNS, attended a meeting on 11 March in Pakistan to discuss the creation of a new Union of Nutrition and Dietetic Societies from LMICs. It was agreed in principle to take the work forward under the umbrella of the IUNS.

## **EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS**



#### The 'N5'.

The 'N5' (an ongoing collaboration between the British Nutrition Foundation (BNF), the British Dietetic Association (BDA), the Association for Nutrition (AfN), the Institute of Food Science and Technology (IFST) and The Nutrition Society) CEOs met on 3 March to review their respective strategies and programmes, looking for synergies and mutual opportunities.

#### **Academy for Nutrition Sciences (ANS).**

The Academy's Board of Trustees met on 15 March. Three Society members serve as Trustees. The Society's CEO, as Head of the Secretariat, attended. The Academy reviewed the progress being made on developing several position papers for the sector, and the recruitment of volunteers to lead on communication projects.

## **Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM).**

The CEO of the Society met with the CEO of the Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) on 18 March to review a proposal from the CIWEM members to jointly form a Special Interest Group (SIG) for developing greater synergy between environmental and nutrition management. Agreement was reached to make a proposal to the Society's Trustees to approve the SIG.

## Royal Society of Biology (RSB). The RSB Strategic Partners Group (11 le

The RSB Strategic Partners Group (11 learned societies) met on 22 March and reviewed the response from the bio-sciences sector to the situation in Ukraine and the sanctions being imposed upon Russia, in particular in relation to scientific publishing. The Society's Trustees are keeping the situation under continual review.

## PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES

# STEM for BRITAIN. STEM for Britain 2022 took place on 7 March in the House of Commons.

Professor Julie Lovegrove represented the Society and jointly presented the Gold, Silver and Bronze awards for chemistry. Professor Lovegrove also presented the annual Nutrition Society Prize to Orla Woodward, University of Cambridge.





# All Party Parliamentary Group. The project working group for the creation of an All Party Parliamentary Group for

Nutrition and Health met on 17 March to review progress on recruiting members of Parliament to the Group. An enhanced recruitment plan was agreed and will be implemented in April 2022.

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMES

## **Programmes review.**

The Society's Honorary Programmes Officer, Professor Bernard Corfe, met with the programmes team in the Society's offices on 24 March to agree the next stage of the implementation of the review of the Society's scientific programmes

