



## High-Level Forum: Activating A Global Research Agenda for Nutrition Science

### ***International Maternal and Child Nutrition: Initiating Research through Multi-Stakeholder Collaboration***

*Hotel de Wageningen Berg, Wageningen, The Netherlands*

#### **Sunday, June 15, 2014**

20.30 – 22.00 Informal Get Together

#### **Monday, June 16, 2014**

##### **Morning Session (closed session)**

##### **Advancing Nutrition Research: Discussing of Concrete Projects on Four Themes**

1. Adolescent girls
2. Heterogeneity of response
3. Improved dietary assessment
4. Scaling up

**08.30 – 09.00 Registration for group sessions**

**09.00 – 09.10 Opening and introduction to A Global Agenda for Nutrition Science**

*Mandana Arabi, MD, PhD, Executive Director, The Sackler Institute for Nutrition Science, The New York Academy of Sciences*

**09.10 – 09.30 Presentation of the research themes**

*Frans Kok, PhD, Head Division of Human Nutrition, Wageningen University*

**09.30 – 12.00 Parallel sessions: Presentation and discussion on research proposals (incl. coffee break)**

##### **Theme 1**

Optimized nutrition for adolescent girls and women before and during pregnancy on their health, foetal- and post-natal growth

*Co-chair: Robert Black, Johns Hopkins University*

*Co-chair: Inge D. Brouwer, Wageningen University*

##### **Theme 2**

Key heterogeneity factors causing variable response to promising interventions (with focus on multi-micronutrients)

*Co-chair: Frans Kok, Wageningen University*

*Co-chair: Jim Kaput, Nestlé*

##### **Theme 3**

Better instruments to assess diets and nutritional status: food intake sensitive indicators for evaluation of integrated nutrition intervention

*Co-chair: Edith Feskens, Wageningen University*

*Co-chair: Richard Black, PepsiCo*

##### **Theme 4**

Framework and methods to identify and compare characteristics of successful scaling up and to optimize models for maternal and child nutrition interventions

*Co-chair: Rafael Perez-Escamilla, Yale University*

*Co-chair: Emorn Wasantwisut, Mahidol University*

**12.00**

**Lunch**

## Monday, June 16, 2014

### Afternoon Session

#### Activating A Global Research Agenda for Nutrition Science

**13.00 – 13.30 Registration (for new participants)**

**13.30 – 13.40 Welcome**

*Martin Kropff, PhD, Vice president and Rector Wageningen University & Research Centre and Ellis Rubinstein, President and CEO, The New York Academy of Sciences*

**13.40 – 13.50 Introductory Remarks**

*Louise Fresco, PhD, Incoming President, Wageningen University & Research Centre*

**13.50 – 14.10 Overview of advancing nutrition research themes**

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*Frans Kok, PhD, Head Division of Human Nutrition, Wageningen University*

**14.10 – 14.30 How WHO uses scientific evidence to guide recommendations and policies**

*Francesco Branca, MD, PhD, Director of the Department of Nutrition for Health and Development World Health Organization*

**14.30 – 14.50 Government perspectives on public/private partnerships in nutrition**

*Paulus Verschuren, Special Envoy Food and Nutrition Security for Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

**14.50 – 15.10 Interest and contribution of business to key issues in maternal and child nutrition**

*Feike Sijbesma, CEO of DSM, Chair of the SUN Business Platform, (via video), followed by Manfred Eggersdorfer, Senior Vice President Nutrition Science & Advocacy of DSM*

**15.10 – 15.30 Priority in research on maternal and child nutrition**

*Zulfiqar Bhutta, PhD, Head, Division of Women and Child Health, The Aga Khan University*

**15.30 – 16.15 Coffee/Tea break**

**16.15 – 17.30 Panel Discussion: Creating successful partnerships in research**

*Facilitator: Ellis Rubinstein, President and CEO, The New York Academy of Sciences*

Panelists include representatives from:

- Pamela A. Byrne, chair of the Management Board, EU-JPI Joint Program Initiative
- Lynette Neufeld, director Monitoring Learning and Research, The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN)
- Stephen J. Simpson, Academic Director, The University of Sydney, The Charles Perkins Centre

**17.30 – 19.00 Reception**

**19:00 Travel to restaurant**

**20.00 – 22.30 Dinner at Restaurant of the Future, Wageningen (by invitation only)**

**Tuesday, June 17, 2014**

**Whole day Session (closed session)**

**08.30 – 09:30 Plenary session: recap and discussion on theme's research questions**

**09:30 – 12.30 Working sessions of advancing nutrition research themes**

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**12.30 – 13.30 Lunch**

**13.30 – 16.00 Plenary: Finalization and implementation of research projects**

*Chairs: Frans Kok, PhD, Head Division of Human Nutrition, Wageningen University and Mandana Arabi, MD, PhD, Executive Director, The Sackler Institute for Nutrition Science, The New York Academy of Sciences*

- Conclusions on research proposals/framework
- Discuss interest/commitments of partners
- Anticipated budgets and funding mechanisms
- Discuss scenarios for implementation of research proposals
- Follow-up process and management by Sackler

**16.00 Reception**