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To all Adhering Bodies of the IUNS

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Subject: Future activities of IUNS for the next four years.

At the 17<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Nutrition the newly elected President of IUNS, Prof. Dr. Mark Wahlqvist addressed the participants at the closing ceremony with his plans and visions of the IUNS activities for the coming years.

The first point was the *regional responsibility* for IUNS affairs by Council members and the intention of the President to visit each region and meet with Adhering Bodies during 2002.

Secondly the long established committees will be restructured into *task forces*. Thirdly IUNS will place *major emphasis* on the following aspects:

- 1. Evidenced-based nutrition and community development.
- 2. Nutrition, health and economic advancement by risk analysis and communication.
- 3. Food and health in socio-cultural and biomedical terms.
- 4. Sustainable food supply and nutrition ecology to attain food and biosecurity.
- 5. Focus on Africa.

Progress in these areas shall be attained by implementing the following actions:

- 1. Establishment of task forces and reference groups (eco-nutrition; long-term health; technology and nutrition; resistance to infective and food-borne diseases; harmonisation of culture-sensitive standards).
- 2. Cooperation with partner agencies, NGO's, education and corporate sectors
- 3. Networking through telecommunication and internet.
- 4. Widening of educational linkages.
- 5. Development of regional approaches.
- 6. Communication of nutrition success stories.

The aspects chosen as priorities and the implementation of the suggested actions will not exclude other systematic programs and innovative work of IUNS. The input from the AB is most welcome. We invite you to participate and would like to hear from you.