



An invitation to join The New Nutrition Science project

*A joint initiative of the International Union of Nutritional Sciences
and the World Health Policy Forum*

Nutrition science has made giant strides in the last century. But the human population continues to increase, and the global climate is changing, with vast implications. Our science has been good in specific ways, but has ignored and overlooked planetary welfare and thus the basic determinants of human health and well-being. We must ensure that our science supports sustainable eco-systems and healthy environments.

*Mark Wahlqvist
President, International Union of Nutritional Sciences 2001-2009*

The chemical and biological sciences have provided a strong base for nutrition and have been essential in establishing nutrition as a science with public health relevance. However, these approaches are clearly insufficient to address the main challenges that confront nutrition science now in the twenty-first century. There is a pressing need to include the social, economic and human rights aspects in order to define future policies that will secure the right to safe and nutritious food for all.

*Ricardo Uauy
President, International Union of Nutritional Sciences 2005-2009*

Welcome to the symposium on *The New Nutrition Science project* in action throughout the world, which follows the plenary presentations given this morning. More details of the project are in the special September 2005 issue of *Public Health Nutrition*, in your Congress bag. The principles, definition, dimensions and purposes of the new nutrition science are summarised in *The Giessen Declaration*, on pages 117-120 of this special issue. If you want an additional copy for interested colleagues or for your library, please ask us.

The purpose of this note is to invite you to join the network set up to develop the new nutrition science, and to put it into practice throughout the world. In this way you will be able to do what you can to make our science work most effectively in this twenty-first century.

The work in progress towards achieving the new nutrition science is a confluence of much work that has been done and is now being done by experts inside and outside the discipline as it has been conventionally defined. If you are definitely interested in becoming part of the project, it is likely that your work is already consistent with the principles of the new nutrition science.

Please write your contact details and indicate the level of your interest on the page attached.

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What you can do to develop the New Nutrition Science project (if 'yes' please say so):

Form an NNS network in your institution/country _____

Help to organise further NNS workshops _____

Organise NNS presentations at conferences _____

Publish NNS papers using the spiral motif _____

Help to develop NNS academic courses _____

Teach/ promote the NNS at your place of work _____

Promote the NNS with policy-makers _____

Contribute to an NNS textbook _____

Raise funds to develop the NNS _____

Other initiatives (please say what) _____

Please give appropriate further details on the other side of this sheet.

Thank you for your interest and time for answering our questions.
