

A Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life

3rd International Conference

19th of June 2015

**Crown Plaza Hotel: Le Palace
Brussels (Belgium)**

Programme

09:00-10:00 **Registration**

10:00-11:15 **Positioning of JPI HDHL in a global world**
Conference chair: Martijntje Bakker, vice chair of JPI HDHL

- Opening by dr. John Bell, director European Commission, DG Research and Innovation
- Uniqueness of JPI HDHL – including last years results and upcoming plans (by dr. Pamela Byrne, chair of JPI HDHL)
- FAO/WHO Food and Nutritional Policies and Strategies, outcomes of the 2nd International Nutrition Conference (by dr. João Breda, WHO Europe, Program Manager, Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity)

11.15-11.45 **Coffee break**

11.45-12.45 **Running Joint Actions of JPI HDHL**

- ENPADASI (by dr. Jildau Bouwman, TNO Quality of Life)
- FOOTBALL (by prof. dr. Edith Feskens, Human Nutrition WUR) & MIRDİET (tbc)
- DEDIPAC (by prof. dr. ir. Hans Brug, Dean and member of the executive board at VUmc)

12:45-13:30 **Lunch Break**

13.30-15.00 **Workshops – which will feed into the Implementation Plan 2016-2018 of JPI HDHL**

1. European Collaboration: Nutrition Security (chair: dr. Pamela Byrne)

One of the greatest challenges of the 21st century is on providing nutrition security while dealing with climate change. Often the focus of the debate and research is limited to food security – however access to food and the consumption of safe and nutritious food are important aspects of this challenge. This workshop is a follow-up of the [joint FACCE-JPI – JPI HDHL event in the EC pavilion at the EXPO in Milan](#), and will build on the output of the Grand Debate to provide further input into the common paper that the two JPIS will deliver on Nutrition Security. A selection of the Grand Debate speakers (e.g. dr. Michael A. Grusak; dr. João Breda) and representatives of the JPI advisory boards will contribute to the workshop to further elaborate on the outcomes of the Grand Debate. The paper

will feed into the strategy and activities of the JPIs and will be hand over to the EC in September 2015.

2. Debate with industry: how research and industry in the field of JPI HDHL can work together (Chair: dr. Duane Mellor)

Leading on innovation in nutrition and health research or spinning their web of influence? A workshop exploring transparent collaboration between the food industry and research organisations. Chair's introduction: Setting out the ground rules and aim to drive towards recommendations for research collaborations/funding that are transparent and supporting 'Healthier Diets for Healthier Lives'.

3. Research Infrastructures: data sharing & standardisation (Chair: prof. dr. Pieter van 't Veer)

Apart from the H2020 agenda, nutrition research in Europe is increasingly aligned by the Strategic Agenda of the JPI-HDHL and its Joint Actions. At the same time, the FP7-funded EuroDISH consortium has formulated a conceptual design for an overarching Research Infrastructure (RI), DISH-RI, that enables researchers in Europe (and beyond) to efficiently conduct EU-wide food, nutrition and health research. DISH-RI will facilitate interdisciplinary research, will allow to facilitate unlocking currently inaccessible data and will stimulate development of interoperable tools and services to the research community. This way, DISH-RI will enable cutting-edge research that serves to advance the knowledge needs formulated in H2020, JPI-HDHL, and by food industries as public and private stakeholders. Following brief presentations on Joint Actions and RIs the workshop aims to explore and advance the synergy between research and infrastructures by discussing the common interests.

4. National Alignment: what can the JPI do for you? (Chair: dr. Martijntje Bakker)

JPI's are in their core business about alignment between countries. Based on a common strategic research agenda countries seek opportunities to align their activities (with regard to for instance funding, research capacities, etc.). However, the only way to improve alignment between countries is to have good alignment within a country (between ministries, resources, funding activities, etc.). For the new Implementation Plan for 2016-2018 the MB is working on an action plan to increase national alignment. Priorities deal with exchanging best practices, getting stakeholders and researchers more involved on a national level, developing clear and concise messages and materials to use within countries, etc. In this workshop the ideas for the action plan on national alignment will be explained and the participants will be asked to share good experiences within their country to help improve the actions.

5. DEDIPAC: first accomplishments across three thematic areas

DEDIPAC KH is the first pilot action to contribute to the Determinants of DIet and Physical Activity pillar of the Strategic Research Agenda (SRA) of the JPI HDHL, started at the end of 2013. Within DEDIPAC, a European trans-disciplinary research network of selected research groups (42) and scientists (300) from 12 JPI countries, ("knowledge hub") carry out joint trans- and multidisciplinary activities to integrate biological, behavioural and social sciences expertise. The aim is to contribute to a better understanding of how biological, ecological, psychological, sociological, economic and socio-economic factors influence consumer decision- making and how to translate that knowledge into the development of strategies for effective disease prevention in target populations. DEDIPAC works on three thematic areas:



- **Area 1:** Assessment and harmonisation of methods for future research, surveillance and monitoring, and evaluation of interventions and policies.
- **Area 2:** Determinants of dietary behaviour, physical activity and sedentary behaviour across the life course and in vulnerable groups.
- **Area 3:** Evaluation and benchmarking of public health and policy interventions aimed at improving dietary behaviour, physical activity and sedentary behaviour across the life course.

This workshop will elaborate on the first accomplishments of DEDIPAC and the expected outcomes.

15.15-16.00

Audience debate

By the DebatAcademie, Gijs Weenink

16.00-16.30

Valedictory prof. dr. Hannelore Daniel (Chair SAB): the future of our science: challenges, chances and my personal view.

16.30

Good bye drinks

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