

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>National Committee for Nutrition</b>
<b>Period covered:</b>	1 January 2017 – 31 December 2019
<b>Chair:</b>	Professor Mike Gidley
<b>Version and date:</b>	
<b>Purpose / context</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To provide strategic nutrition science policy advice, to the Academy, as input to Academy science policy statements, and (with the approval of the Executive Committee of Council) to the Australian Government and Australian organisations;</li> <li>2. To connect the Academy to nutrition science and scientists in Australia;</li> <li>3. To link the Academy to Australian scientific societies in order to work together to promote the development of the nutrition discipline;</li> <li>4. To link Australian science in the nutrition disciplines to world science, in particular through the membership of appropriate international organisations;</li> <li>5. To ensure that Australia has a voice and a role in the global development of the nutrition discipline.</li> </ol>
<b>Description and objectives</b>	The NC Nutrition is a committee of the Council of the Australian Academy of Science. The broad aims of the committee is to foster nutritional science in Australia, to link the Academy to Australian nutritional scientists and relevant scientific and other societies, and to serve as a link between Australian and overseas nutritionists, primarily through the International Union of Nutrition Sciences (IUNS).
<b>Coverage</b>	The science relevant to nutrition, food and human/animal health, including effects of under- and over-supply of food and particular nutrients.
<b>Linked international organisation</b>	International Union of Nutritional Sciences (IUNS).
<b>Key connected organisations</b>	<p><i>(List international unions, Australian scientific societies, other national committees, etc)</i></p> <p><b>Links to other National Committees:</b> Medicine and Public Health; Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Biomedical Sciences.</p> <p><b>Australian Societies and Organisations:</b> Nutrition Society of Australia (NSA), Australian Institute of Agricultural Science, Australian Institute of Food Science and Technology, Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Australian Society of Medical Research, Australian Society for the Study of Obesity, Australian Society of Animal Production, Dieticians Association of Australia, Public Health Association of Australia, Australian College of Nutritional and Environmental Medicine, Australian Association of Ruminant Nutritionists.</p> <p><b>International Organisations:</b> IUNS Oceania Regional ‘body’, a joint activity between Australia and New Zealand formally ratified by IUNS membership in September 2013, International Union of Food Science and Technology.</p>

<b>Key outcomes</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop, co-ordinate, and deliver a Decadal Plan for Nutrition that (a) explains coherently how the discipline should develop in the next decade, and (b) is adopted by the nutrition science community and decision makers as a roadmap.</li> </ol> <p>The following activities support this priority outcome:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Approved committees structure and membership (annual);</li> <li>3. Approved annual report (annual);</li> <li>4. Engagement with Australian nutritionists by contributing news items to society publications, and seeking opportunities to discuss NC activities, particularly the Decadal Plan, at general meetings of the societies;</li> <li>5. Engagement with relevant Australian societies and organisations, by having the nominee of both the President of the Nutrition Society of Australia and the President of the Dietitians Association of Australia as observers on the NC, inviting representatives of other relevant societies as observers to NC meetings including a position as an observer for the convenor of the Oceania Nutrition Leadership Platform, and seeking opportunities to provide a regular statement on NC activities to council meeting of the NSA, the Council of Deans Nutrition Dietetics Australia and New Zealand, and other organisations;</li> <li>6. Engagement with relevant national committees on issues of common interest;</li> <li>7. Engagement with IUNS and other international nutrition scientific societies and organisations, including nomination of members of IUNS working parties, and of delegates at IUNS General Assemblies, and consultation with Australian members of Commissions, Working Groups, Committees and Councils;</li> <li>8. Obtaining financial and other resources to assist in the delivery of its activities, including contributions to the Australian subscriptions to International Organisations.</li> </ol>
<b>Indicative budget</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. \$3000 per annum for meetings provided by AAS</li> <li>2. Up to \$2500 provided by AAS to support attendance at international meetings of IUNS (2017).</li> <li>3. Development of the Decadal Plan is supported by a LASP grant to the Academy.</li> </ol>
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