

Current and future priorities for food policy: International insights

The need for comprehensive and evidence-informed food policy is critical. Food systems are broken: they are non-sustainable and dietary risk factors are now the leading contributors to the Global and National burden of disease.

Deakin University's Centre for Physical Activity and Nutrition Research (C-PAN) invites you to attend this free seminar. The seminar will provide an opportunity to hear ground-breaking insights from leading international food policy experts and to discuss with them current and future priorities for food policy.

Date: Monday 22 February 2016
Time: 2.00 – 5.00pm (*Registration from 1.30 with tea and coffee available on arrival*)
Venue: Deakin University Burwood Corporate Centre
Level 2, Building BC, 221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood

Program

Welcome – Prof Mark Lawrence	2.00 – 2.05pm
<i>The science and politics of evidence use in food policy-making</i> – Prof Mark Lawrence (C-PAN)	2.05 – 2.30pm
<i>Food security policy</i> – Prof Martin Caraher (City University)	2.30 – 2.55pm
<i>Food labelling policy in the EU</i> – Prof Monique Raats (University of Surrey)	2.55 – 3.20pm
Refreshments	3.20 – 3.40pm
<i>Food policy priorities and advocacy</i> – Prof Marion Nestle (New York University)	3.40 – 4.20pm
<i>Panel discussion</i> – facilitated by Dr Julie Woods	4.20 – 4.50pm
Closing remarks – Prof Mark Lawrence	4.50 – 5.00pm

Places are limited so registration is essential. RSVP by Wednesday 10 Feb 2016

Online registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/food-policy-seminar-2016-registration-20797178922>
Email: cpan@deakin.edu.au

Getting to the venue

The Deakin University Burwood Corporate Centre is located at the Deakin University Burwood Rd Campus, 221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood (<https://goo.gl/maps/RZcuEs8nDG22>). The corporate centre is, on level 2 of Building BC (refer to map <http://www.deakin.edu.au/life-at-deakin/our-locations/melbourne-burwood-campus/map>).

Parking is available on campus (fee applies) – refer Campus map link for details.

The campus is also accessible by the following public transport options:

- Lilydale/Belgrave train - hop off at Box Hill Railway Station and take the 732, 767, 281 or 768 bus.
- Glen Waverley train - hop off at Jordanville Station and take the 767 bus.
- Alamein train - hop off at either Hartwell or Burwood Station and take the 75 tram towards Vermont South.
- The number 75 tram runs from the city to Vermont South and stops directly outside the campus.

About the speakers

Prof Mark Lawrence

Mark is Professor of Public Health Nutrition in the Centre for Physical Activity and Nutrition Research (C-PAN) at Deakin University. He has more than 30 years' experience working as a practitioner and academic in food and nutrition policy at local, national and international levels. Mark's research interests focus on the science and politics of evidence use in food and nutrition policy-making, particularly dietary guidelines, Nutrient Reference Values and food regulation. He is leading a transdisciplinary research team, funded by an ARC Linkage grant, analysing policy interventions to promote healthy and sustainable food systems and is a Chief Investigator at the NHMRC Centre for Research Excellence in Obesity Policy and Food Systems. He is a technical advisor to the World Health Organization, a member of the Australian and New Zealand Advisory Committee for the review of the Nutrient Reference Values, a member of FSANZ's Public Health Dialogue, and a former member of the NHMRC's Dietary Guidelines Working Committee.



Prof Martin Caraher

Martin is Professor of Food and Health Policy at the Centre for Food Policy at City University, London. He has worked for and acted as a consultant to the UK Dept of Health, the World Bank and the World Health Organization. He was a trustee of the Caroline Walker trust. He was a member of the original London Food Board which developed the food strategy for London. He currently acts as an advisor on food matters to a number of social science research groups across Europe, as well as being an advisor to the European Executive Agency for Health and Consumers (DG Sanco). He is a member of the International Obesity Task Force (IOTF) scientific committee.



Prof Monique Raats

Monique is Professor and Director of the University of Surrey's Food, Consumer Behaviour and Health Research Centre. Her portfolio of research is wide ranging in terms of topics being addressed (e.g. food choice, policy development, food labelling), and methodologies used (e.g. qualitative, quantitative, stakeholder consultation). She has published over 95 peer-reviewed papers, 19 book chapters, and co-edited two books (*The Psychology of Food Choice*; *Food for the Ageing Population*). She is a founding member of the International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity. In 2011 Monique joined the UK's Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition and is a member of its Subgroup on Maternal and Child Nutrition. Currently she is a partner in the FLICC project that is conducting a pilot randomised control trial on front of pack labelling, and the CLYMBOL project that studies health claims and consumer behaviour. She also coordinates the REDICLAIM project, which investigates how EU legislation impacts on the substantiation and use of "reduction of disease risk" claims on food and drinks.



Prof Marion Nestle

Marion is Paulette Goddard Professor in the Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health at New York University, which she chaired from 1988-2003. She is also Professor of Sociology at NYU and Visiting Professor of Nutritional Sciences at Cornell. She earned a Ph.D. in molecular biology and an M.P.H. in public health nutrition from the University of California, Berkeley. Her research examines scientific and socioeconomic influences on food choice, obesity, and food safety, emphasizing the role of food marketing. She is the author of numerous articles in professional publications and is the author or co-author of nine books. Her latest book, *Soda Politics: Taking on Big Soda (and Winning)*, was published in October, 2015. She blogs (almost) daily at www.foodpolitics.com and has an active twitter account @marionnestle. This account has been ranked by Science Magazine, Time Magazine, and The Guardian as among the top in health and science.

