



33rd Scientific Conference

Theme

Investing in Nutrition:

*First Announcement
& Call for Abstracts*

Act Now

Important Dates

Deadline for abstracts:
9 April 2018

Late fees applicable:
23 April 2018

Pre-Conference:
8 May 2018

Conference:
9 - 10 May 2018

Conference Venue

For more information on the venue, Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur, go to the following website:

www.hotelistana.com.my

The official language of the conference shall be English.

8 - 10 May 2018

Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Members of the Society who are interested to participate in the symposia or poster sessions are invited to submit an abstract of their paper (200 – 300 words in MS Word format) at www.nsmconference.org.my. Do not miss the chance to share your experience and research with colleagues and experts in this field.

Abstracts **must** follow exactly the format given in the official website.

Please note that we are utilising **ONLINE ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**. For more information, please visit the official website.

Details of the Conference will be updated from time to time through the NSM Conference's official website.

To check the acceptance status of your registration or submitted abstract, please log on to the website.

Pre-conference scientific symposium

Tuesday, 8 May 2018, 5.30pm – 8pm

'Nutrition Labelling and Claims: Regulatory Updates in Malaysia'

Join us for an update on local and regional developments on nutrition labelling, health claims and related issues!

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About The CONFERENCE

The main causes of death and morbidity in the country for the past 3 decades have been diet-related non-communicable diseases (NCDs) such as heart disease, diabetes and cancers. Risk factors of these NCDs, associated with over-nutrition, especially obesity, hypertension and high blood cholesterol have risen to alarming levels. Childhood obesity has also become another major cause of concern among policy makers and health care professionals. At the same time, nutrition problems associated with undernutrition exist among specific segments of the population. Micronutrient deficiencies are significant problems afflicting young children and women of reproductive age.

In order to combat the prevalence of the double burden of malnutrition and huge economic burden of NCDs in the country, a multi-dimensional approach has been outlined in the National Plan of Action for Nutrition of Malaysia (NPANM) III (2016 – 2025). It is vital that various stakeholders, from government ministries and agencies, private sectors, academic institutions to professional bodies and non-governmental organisations, incorporate nutrition



strategies into their respective platform to achieve the objectives of NPANM III.

The 33rd NSM Annual Scientific Conference provides a platform for all stakeholders to share research and intervention activities that contribute towards the implementation of NPANM III and address the double burden of malnutrition. It is imperative that various stakeholders understand their important roles in tackling the nutrition issues in the country and act now to take necessary measures. Preventive healthcare measures should be emphasised and investing in nutrition now is crucial to ensure a healthy generation of Malaysians in the future.



Preliminary Conference Programme

9 May 2018 Conference Day 1

Time	Programme
9.00 am	Official Opening
10.30 am	Keynote Address
11.15 am	Symposium 1: Why invest in nutrition?
12.35 pm	Poster Viewing / Trade Exhibition
1.00 pm	Lunch Break
2.00 pm	Symposium 2: Investing in nutrition
3.45 pm	Meet the Experts Session Theme: Career as a nutritionist: What the future holds
4.30 pm	Refreshment / Trade Exhibition
4.50 pm	Symposium 3: Young Researchers' Symposium
6.00 pm	End of Day 1

10 May 2018 Conference Day 2

Time	Programme
9.00 am	Symposium 4: Industry Contributions in Investing in Healthy Nutrition
12.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm	Poster Viewing / Trade Exhibition
2.00 pm	Symposium 5: Nutrition Potpourri
4.45 pm	Closing and Prize Giving Ceremony
5.00 pm	Refreshment
	Conference Ends

Pre-conference scientific symposium

'Nutrition Labelling and Claims: Regulatory Updates in Malaysia'

**Tuesday
8 May 2018
5.30pm – 8pm**

The Ministry of Health (MOH) Malaysia gazetted and enforced Regulations for mandatory nutrition labelling for a wide variety of foods in 2003. In the same year regulations for three types of nutrition claims were promulgated, namely nutrient content claim, nutrient comparative claim and nutrient function claim (including other function claims). Such nutrition information on food labels are potentially useful to assist the consumer in making better food choices. After the enforcement of these regulations, numerous amendments have been made, in keeping with the needs of all stakeholders and up-to-date scientific evidence.

This pre-conference scientific symposium aims to provide participants with an update on nutrition labelling and claims regulations in Malaysia, 14 years after first enactment. An update on the status of the nutrition information panel (NIP), as well as the front-of-pack labelling schemes (energy icon & Healthier Choice Logo) shall be presented. The presentation on nutrition claims will provide an update on permitted claims, especially "other function claims", including the application procedure for new nutrition claims or other labelling requirements. Participants will also have the opportunity to have an insight into the nutrition labelling and claims regulations in Southeast Asian countries.

Note: Priority to attend this symposium shall be given to participants attending the 33rd Scientific Conference of the Nutrition Society of Malaysia and at a reduced rate.

Preliminary Conference Programme

**8 May 2018
Pre-Conference**

Time	Programme
5.00 pm	Registration
5.30 pm	Nutrition Labelling and Claims: Regulatory Updates in Malaysia
7.30 pm	Refreshment
	End of Pre-Conference

REGISTRATION FEES

Delegates		
	Conference* (May 9-10)	Conference + Pre conference* (May 8-10)
NSM members**		
Members	RM 550	RM 600
Postgraduate Students***	RM 350	RM 400
Undergraduate Student		
Group Registration (20 and above)****	RM 300 RM 250	RM 350 RM 300
Non-members		
Participants	RM 900	RM 950
Fully Registered Exhibitor	RM 550	RM 600
Pre-conference scientific symposium (May 8)		
Non-delegates (participants NOT attending the conference)		RM 150

* Payment received after 23 April 2018 must include a late fee of RM100 per participant to confirm registration

** All members (except life members) must have paid up annual membership fees, including that for 2018, to be eligible for member's rate

*** Postgraduate students must be members of NSM to be eligible for this reduced rate.

**** For group registration enquiry, please call 03-5632 3526 or email to secretariat.nsm.conference@gmail.com

HOW TO REGISTER

Please register for the conference at www.nsmconference.org.my from February 2018 onwards. Note that we are fully utilising **ONLINE REGISTRATION**.

All participants, except for invited speakers, **MUST** register for the Conference. Participants submitting abstracts should also submit an online registration form with the required fees. Registration fees cover conference material, lunch and snacks during coffee breaks.

All registration fees should be paid by online bank transfer/cheque/government LPO/ guarantee letter from organisation made payable to "**Nutrition Society of Malaysia**".

Please email/fax us a proof of payment (photo/scan/ screenshot) of government LPO or guarantee letter in order to confirm your registration. Outstation cheques should include the required commissions.

Registrations received after 23 April 2018 will be accepted subject to availability of space.

For enquiries, contact:

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