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## Dear Members and Supporters,

Please note several IMMEDIATE deadlines below: abstract submissions for the AODA-MDA Conference as well as international award opportunities. Don't miss the chance to share your accomplishments!

Best Regards,

AODA Communications Team

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## MDA-AODA Conference

The AODA is proud to be co-organizing the MDA-AODA conference with the Malaysian Dietitians' Association. The conference is May 26-28, 2016 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Abstract submissions have been extended until January 31,

2016, and we encourage you to submit an abstract describing your work! The registration for AODA members is discounted, and AODA is sponsoring part of the costs for two speakers who are AODA members.

For more information, about abstract submission, visit the [conference website](#).

For more information about speaker sponsorships, please contact Carrie Kiley at [aodaadmin@eatrightoverseas.org](mailto:aodaadmin@eatrightoverseas.org).

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## International Awards

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation has awards aimed at supporting and recognizing what dietitians are doing internationally:

- **American Overseas Dietetic Association International Project Award:** This \$3,000 AND Foundation International award is sponsored by AODA and aims to “foster collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and skills among food and nutrition professionals in the international community.”
- **Wimfpheimer-Guggenheim Fund for International Exchange in Nutrition Dietetics and Management:** This \$1,000 AND Foundation International award aims at "providing for the international exchange of needed nutrition, dietetic and/or management information for the benefit of the nutritional health of the world community."
- **First International Nutritionist/Dietitian (FIND) Fellowship for Study in the USA:** This \$2,200 award is given to assist foreign nationals who are pursuing postgraduate work in the USA and have a clearly articulate plan to return to their country.

The application deadline for these awards is **February 1, 2016**. To learn more, visit the Foundation [website](#).

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## **US FDA 2015 Food and Nutrition Initiative Summary**

The US FDA recently commented on what they view as their major accomplishments in the area of food and nutrition for 2015, including new rules for food safety and the use of food labeling. Read more [here](#).

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## **Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance III Project Report**

The Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance III Project recently issued a technical brief entitled *Giving Children the Best Start in Life: Integrating Nutrition and Early Childhood Development Programming within the First 1,000 Days*.

The report's key points include:

- Investment in integrated nutrition and early childhood development (ECD) programming during the first 1,000 days is critical to ensure that children can reach their potential.
- There are five key nutrition risk factors for poor ECD: poor maternal nutrition, iodine deficiency during pregnancy, iron deficiency, poor linear growth, and severe acute malnutrition.
- Integrated nutrition and ECD interventions have the potential for greater cumulative impact on nutrition and ECD outcomes compared to single-sector interventions.

Read the entire report [here](#).

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## Sabri Ülker International Science Award

Sabri Ülker Foundation supports fundamental nutrition research relevant to public health in Turkey and its regional neighbors. This year's competition focuses on applied projects in the fields of public health and nutrition being conducted by young scientists in the international area. The winner of the award will be announced on **May 5, 2016** at the Sabri Ülker Symposium hosted by the Sabri Ülker Food Research Foundation. The deadline for applications is **March 1, 2016**.

For more information and to apply, please visit <http://sabriulkerfoundation.org/ScienceAward2016>

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## National Institutes of Health Releases Five-Year Strategic Plan

The National Institutes of Health released its [five-year strategic plan](#), laying out strategies to advance opportunities in research in health promotion and disease prevention and in treating and curing diseases.

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## Open Country Representative Positions

We are currently seeking a volunteers to act as country representatives (CRs) in **Zimbabwe, South Africa, Kenya, and Cameroon**.

As a CR, you would:

- Represent AODA within the country by establishing relationships with nutrition associations and dietetic

professionals.

- Integrate AODA members for nutrition issues within the country.
- Serve as an expert resource for AODA/Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and interested parties for all nutrition issues with the country.

For more information, please contact Marianella Herrera, AODA Country Representative Chair, at [cr-chair@eatrightoverseas.org](mailto:cr-chair@eatrightoverseas.org)

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## **Job Opportunities**

[Professor of Nutrition/Human Health](#)

University of Auckland  
Auckland, New Zealand

[PhD in Human Nutrition and Stable Isotope Techniques](#)

Human Nutrition Laboratory, Institute of Food, Nutrition and Health  
Zurich Switzerland

[International Science & Nutrition Communication Manager](#)

Alpro  
Ghent, Belgium

[Assistant/Associate Professors in Human Nutrition/Food Science](#)

University of British Columbia  
Vancouver, Canada

[Research Assistant: “Downsizing: using environmental cues to acquire healthy portion control in children adolescents and their families”](#)

University of Sheffield  
Sheffield, UK

*Note: Positions are not necessarily endorsed by AODA or the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.*

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## **CPE and Training Events**

### **[2nd Australia/OCEANIAFOODS Training Course on Food Composition](#)**

The aims of FoodCompAustralia/OCEANIAFOODS 2016 are to demonstrate how to produce food composition data, assess and assure their quality, and evaluate their ability to meet the requirements of users. RSVP: May 31, 2016  
Sydney, Australia, [July 4-8, 2016](#)

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## **Save the Dates: Upcoming Conferences and Events**

### **[2nd Australia/OCEANIAFOODS Training Course on Food Composition](#)**

Sydney, Australia, February 15-19, 2016

### **[National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference](#)**

Washington D.C., USA, [February 28 - March 1, 2016](#)

### **[Probiotics Congress: Asia](#)**

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, [February 29 - March 1, 2016](#)

### **[2016 Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society Conference](#)**

Las Vegas, NV, USA, [February 29 - March 4, 2016](#)

### **[5th Global Conference for Consensus Pediatrics & Child Health](#)**

Xi'an, China, March 3-6, 2016

[3rd International Conference on Nutrition and Growth](#)

Vienna, Austria, March 17-19, 2015

[5th Annual Middle East Congress on Clinical Nutrition](#)

Cairo, Egypt, March 22-24, 2016

*Approved for 12.5 CPEUs for RDNs*

[Experimental Biology 2016](#)

San Diego, CA, USA, April 2-6, 2016

[The 6th Science of Nutrition in Medicine Conference](#)

Sydney, Australia, April 30 - May 1, 2016

[2nd Annual International Symposium on Diabetes/4th Annual](#)

[International Conference on Health & Medical Sciences](#)

Athens, Greece, May 2-5, 2016

[3rd Eating Disorders and Obesity Conference](#)

Gold Coast, Australia May 16-17, 2016

[MDA-AODA Conference](#)

**Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, May 26-28, 2016**

***Abstract submissions open until January 31, 2016***

[Global Food Security and Sustainability Conference](#)

Beijing, China, June 6-8, 2016

[World Congress on Active Ageing 2016](#)

Melbourne, VIC, Australia, June 28 - July 1, 2016

[4th International ISEKI Food Conference](#)

Viena, Austria, July 6-8, 2016

[OCEANIAFOODS Conference](#)

Sydney, NSW, Australia, July 9, 2016

[International Conference on Food Microbiology](#)

Birmingham, UK, August 8-10, 2016

[Nutrition Congress 2016](#)

Cape Town, South Africa, [September 3-5, 2016](#)

[Global Food Security and Sustainability Conference](#)

Beijing, China, September 5-7, 2016

[17th International Congress of Dietetics \(ICD\)](#)

Granada, Spain, [September 7-10, 2016](#)

[66th Australasian Grain Science Conference](#)

Tamworth, NSW, Australia, September 14-16, 2016

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## **New Members and Supporters**

The AODA would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members and supporters:

### **Canada**

Noura Sheikhalzoor

Maria Herodotou

### **Hong Kong**

Wing Cheung Chan

### **Kuwait**

Nayef Bu-Maryoum

Amenah Esma'eel

### **Saudi Arabia**

Rabab Kanani



**South Korea**

Kyung-Eun Lee

**Turkey**

Didem Kanca Ustay

**United Arab Emirates**

Hiba Aboultaif

Huda Al Ashqar

Noura Al Neyadi

Marina Asuncion Almeda

Ramasamy Kalavathy

**United States**

Mariem Boughoula

Riley Cook

Katie Fletcher

Molly Koczarski

Claire McDaniel

Diana Reid

Summer Taylor

Shimi Velasquez



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*AODA Mission: Empower members to be international food and nutrition ambassadors.*

*AODA Vision: Optimize health internationally through food and nutrition.*

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