

Nutrition Champions 2013



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Countries are making significant progress in scaling up nutrition, with many ‘unsung heroes’ and local champions driving this change, The Transform Nutrition Research Programme Consortium, in support of the efforts of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement, aims to contribute to country-led efforts to transform thinking and action on nutrition by sharing some of these local experiences and the breadth of work underway to help advance nutrition.

The process

In response to a call for nominations, Transform Nutrition received 53 eligible candidates, who were then reviewed by a selection panel representative of the sectors working across the SUN Movement (see below). Each nomination was reviewed based on:

1. The **extent** to which their achievements and actions have helped accelerate reductions in undernutrition, either directly or indirectly.
2. The degree to which their achievements and actions have **transformed** thinking or action e.g. changed the degree and type of attention to undernutrition, changed public attitudes, institutional structures, or policy-relevant decisions that may have been associated with high levels of undernutrition in the past.
3. The **sustainability** of their achievements – or their likely *durability* -- in terms of longevity, legacy and impact.

The panellists

- **Shams El Arifeen**, Director of the Centre for Child and Adolescent Health ICDDR,B Bangladesh and Transform Nutrition Research Director
- **Bibi Giyose**, Senior Food & Nutrition Security Advisor, New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD)
- **Anna Lartey**, Director of Nutrition at FAO and IUNS president
- **Ellen Piwoz** is the Interim Deputy Director, Nutrition Lead for the nutrition team in the Family Health division of Global Health Program. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (and Transform Nutrition Consortium Advisory Group member)
- **Emorn Wasantwisut**, Senior Advisor, Institute of Nutrition, Mahidol University, Thailand



The champions

From the pool of impressive nominees, a shortlist of 14 was selected which are now showcased on the Transform Nutrition website. These champions reflect the broad experience and expertise that, together, will help to transform nutrition—working across countries and across sectors. From the short list, three champions have been chosen to represent this year’s class of champions at the SUN Global Gathering in New York City. These will be announced week commencing 23 September 2013

Learn more about the nominated class of Nutrition Champions, the selection panellists and the Transform Nutrition Programme Consortium at www.TransformNutrition.org.

Learn more about the national and global efforts to scale up nutrition through the SUN Movement at www.ScalingUpNutrition.org