The 2018 City Food Symposium

Programme

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CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH FOOD POLICY

25 April 2018

This event is generously supported by the Worshipful Company of Cooks.
9.30am - 10am Registration and coffee
Oliver Thompson Foyer

10am - 10.20am Scene Setting: The spectrum of lived experience from listening to co-creation
Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre
Professor Corinna Hawkes, Director, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London

10.20am - 11.20am Session One: How do we listen, what do we learn
Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre

- **Focus groups for advocacy**: listening to the experience of diet-related noncommunicable diseases in Mexico.
  *Cristina Parsons Perez, Capacity Development Director, NCD Alliance, Geneva.*

- **Engaging with consumers to inform policy**: listening to the publics views on food systems in the UK.
  *Michelle Patel, Head of Social Science, Food Standards Agency.*

- **Assessing vulnerability and risk for intervention design in diabetes**: insights from research in Houston, Mexico City, Vancouver and other global cities.
  *Dr Anna-Maria Volkmann, University College London and Director of Research and Training, Cities Changing Diabetes Programme.*

- **Engaging Canadians to inform a national food policy**: ways of listening to thousands.
  *Raphael Sauve, Agriculture and Agrifoods Canada*
  *Dr Hasan Hutchinson, Director General of Nutritional Policy and Programs, Health Canada*
  *Diana Bronson, Executive Director, Food Secure Canada (by video)*

- **Interviewing young people for research**: listening to teenagers voices on what influences food purchases in and out of schools in Scotland and England.
  *Professor Wendy Wills, Professor of Food and Public Health, University of Hertfordshire.*

- **“Listening posts” to inform activism and policy in development**: the experience of high food prices in Asia, Latin America and Africa.
  *Dr Alexandra Wanjiku Kelbert, Researcher, Life in a Time of Food Price Volatility.*

11.20am - 11.40am Coffee break
Oliver Thompson Foyer
11.40am - 12.40pm Session Two: Involving and empowering people with lived experiences
Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre

- **Lessons from Witnesses to Hunger**: how to disrupt the status quo through action research and photovoice in the United States.
  *Tianna Gaines-Turner, Witness to Hunger.*
  *Sherita Mouzon, Witness to Hunger.*
  *Mariana Chilton, Professor, Health Management and Policy Director, Center for Hunger-Free Communities, School of Public Health, Drexel University, Philadelphia, USA (by video).*

- **Learning lessons from the experience of food poverty**: a Systems Leadership approach to creating food wealth in Cornwall.
  *Matthew Thomson, Chief Executive, Fifteen-Cornwall.*

- **Deliberative processes for analysing research findings**: involving small farmers in transforming food systems in Nicaragua and the UK.
  *Elise Wach, Research Advisor, Institute of Development Studies, Brighton, UK; Doctoral Researcher, Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience, Coventry University.*

- **Co-designing user-centered services**: involving older people in the UK’s Food for Life programme.
  *Francesca Sanders, Head of Service Design, Food for Life.*

- **Group model building for local solutions**: involving communities in obesity prevention in rural Australia.
  *Janette Lowe, Executive Officer, Southern Grampians Glenelg Primary Care Partnership, Victoria, Australia (by video).*

- **Food Diaries as citizen-generated evidence**: bottom up advocacy for dietary diversity in Western Uganda.
  *Alejandro Guarin, Senior Researcher, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED).*
  *Natalie Lartey, Advocacy and Communications Officer, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED).*

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12.40pm - 2pm Lunch
Oliver Thompson Foyer
2pm - 5pm Workshops
Workshop locations will be confirmed on the day

The 2.5-3 hour workshops will run in parallel and be led by members of the policy, NGOs, programme and academic community. They will be designed to provide learning opportunities for how to gather and translate the evidence of lived experience. A cross-cutting theme for all the workshops will be processes through which the evidence gathered of lived experience can be used to meaningfully improve decision-making.

- **Workshop One - Empowering people in food poverty**
  *Led by Ben Pearson, Food Power; Empowerment Programme Officer, Church Action on Poverty; Workstream Leader 'Involving Experts by Experience', plus a Food Power pilot participant.*

- **Workshop Two - Better Everyday takeaway**
  *Led by Chris Holmes, MD, Healthy Food Programme, Shift.*

- **Workshop Three - Trust in the food system**
  *Led by Michelle Patel, Head of Social Science, Food Standards Agency.*

- **Workshop Four - Engaging in Brexit: How can we meaningfully involve the British public in developing a fairer vision for food and farming in post-Brexit UK.**
  *Led by Lynne Davis, RSA Food Farming and Countryside Commission, Sinead Fenton, Food Research Collaboration, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London and Dr Rosalind Sharpe, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London.*

- **Workshop Five - Co-production: guidelines for respectful collaboration between people with lived experience and campaigners/researchers.**
  *Led by Caroline Mockford, Food Justice Campaigner, and Pete Ritchie, Director, Nourish Scotland.*

- **Workshop Six - Visual methods for gathering evidence of lived food experiences.**
  *Led by Manuel Franco MD, PhD, School of Medicine, University of Alcalá, Madrid, Spain and Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Dept Epidemiology and Julia Diez B.A. Biology, MPH. School of Medicine, University of Alcalá, Madrid, Spain*

- **Workshop Seven - Systems Leadership & Food: a complex problem requiring new ways of leading, thinking, feeling and doing.**
  *Led by John Jarvis, COO, and Di Neal, Enabler, The Leadership Centre.*
5pm - 5.30pm: Final Reflections
Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre

Dr Claire Marris, Reader, Centre for Food Policy, City University of London and
Dr Bill Vorley, Senior Associate, International Institute for Environment and
Development, UK

5.30 - 6.30pm: Reception
Oliver Thompson Foyer
Contributor Biographies

Cristina Parsons Perez
Capacity Development Director, NCD Alliance, Geneva, Switzerland.
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Dr Cristina Parsons Perez is the Capacity Development Director for the NCD Alliance where she is responsible for initiatives supporting national and regional civil society to drive NCD prevention and control. She oversees the Global NCD Alliance Forum and efforts to meaningfully involve people living with NCDs in the NCD response. Cristina has over 10 years of health advocacy and capacity development experience. She consulted with Catalyst Consulting Group on advocacy capacity building and was involved in the conceptualizing and roll-out of United Patients Academy – a digital training platform for health NGOs. Cristina worked at the American Cancer Society’s Global Health Department where she was Director of Cancer Advocacy and helped lead efforts targeting the 2011 UN High level Meeting on NCDs. She supported the establishing of the Latin American advocacy coalition for women’s cancers (ULACCAM) and oversaw multi-million multi-country capacity development initiatives to strengthen the cancer movement in the Latin American region. She worked as a Senior Policy and Information Officer at Breakthrough Breast Cancer UK (Breast Cancer NOW) where she managed grassroots advocates and developed policies to support campaigning efforts. She has a PhD in gene therapy and her mother tongues are Portuguese, Spanish and English.

Michelle Patel
Head of Social Science, Food Standards Agency, UK
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Having served as Director of Communications in the Food Standards Agency and in various senior marketing, insight and communications roles in Government since 2001, Michelle runs the Social Science function at the FSA ensuring that the understanding of human behaviour informs the evidence base upon which decisions on the assessment and management of food risk and safety in England, Wales and Northern Ireland are made.

Dr Anna-Maria Volkmann
University College London and Director of Research and Training, Cities Changing Diabetes Programme, UK
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Dr. Anna-Maria Volkmann is a health psychologist and medical anthropologist with a special interest in the social and cultural components of health, wellbeing, and chronic illness. She is a methods expert on the design and application of innovative mixed-method research and has both supported and led on the development of recent studies of Type-II Diabetes, including the Vulnerability Assessments and Urban Diabetes Risk Assessments for the Cities Changing Diabetes programme. Her post-graduate research at University College London (MSc in Medical Anthropology and PhD in Health Psychology) focused on chronic and contested illnesses. She since has worked on a number of research projects and intervention studies on living with disability, improving maternal and child health, assessing health vulnerability in both indigenous and migrant/ refugee populations, as well as identifying social and cultural risk factors for non-communicable diseases.
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Raphael Sauvé is a Director at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) responsible for the development of Agriculture Policy for Canada and for advising the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food on policy issues relating to Canada’s livestock and supply management (dairy, eggs, and poultry) sectors. Prior to holding this position, Raphael served as a Departmental Assistant, managing the interaction between the Minister’s Office and the Department of Agriculture, and held various positions within AAFC’s Trade Negotiations Directorate. Raphael has a Law Degree from the Université de Montréal, and a Master’s Degree in International Relations from the Université Laval.

| **Dr Hasan Hutchinson** |
| Director General of Nutritional Policy and Programs, Health Canada |
| @GovCanHealth           |

Hasan Hutchinson is the Director General of the Office of Nutrition Policy and Promotion at Health Canada. As the focal point for public health nutrition within the federal government, the Office’s main functions include dietary guidance, food and nutrition surveillance, research and data analysis, health promotion and public health nutrition policy.

Hasan serves on a number of nutrition-related committees at the World Health Organization and the World Cancer Research Fund International. Hasan has also served on health-related committees at the Pan American Health Organization, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development and at the United Nations.

Previous to his current role, Hasan was Associate Director of the Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes at the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).

Before working in the public service, Hasan was a faculty member in the Department of Neurology and Neurosurgery at McGill University. His formal education includes a PhD in Quantitative Genetics.

| **Diana Bronson**       |
| Executive Director, Food Secure Canada |
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Diana joined Food Secure Canada as Executive Director in 2012 and has worked to strengthen FSC as the national voice of the Canadian food movement. She has been instrumental in getting food policy on the federal government’s agenda, and has worked to build the capacity of the food movement to engage in policy work through campaigns like Eat Think Vote. Diana is trained as a political scientist and sociologist and has a professional background in journalism (CBC radio) and international human rights (Rights & Democracy) as well as international climate and technology negotiations at the UN (ETC Group).

Diana's research, policy and advocacy work has centered on supporting social movements around the world, critically reviewing and educating around international trade and investment agreements, looking at the impacts of Canadian mining companies, and assessing the social and environmental impacts of emerging technologies. She has participated in many international negotiations on human rights, climate change, biodiversity, technology and sustainable development over the past two decades. She also worked in a senior position on Parliament Hill from 2006-2008. She lives and works in Montreal.
### Contributor Biographies

#### Professor Wendy Wills
**Professor of Food and Public Health, University of Hertfordshire, UK**

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Wendy Wills is a sociologist, nutritionist and Professor of Food and Public Health at the University of Hertfordshire, where she is the Director of the Centre for Research in Public Health and Community Care. Her research interests focus on the social, cultural and economic determinants of food and eating practices across the life course, with a particular emphasis on young people and those aged 60+. Across a range of research projects for national funding bodies she draws on multiple, qualitative research methodologies including visual research methods to ensure that the routine ways that people acquire, prepare and eat food can be revealed.

#### Dr Alexandra Wanjiku Kelbert
**Researcher, Life in a Time of Food Price Volatility, UK**

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Alexandra Wanjiku is a lecturer, researcher and activist interested in the politics of food, gender, social change, race and environmental justice.

Alexandra worked as a researcher on the ‘Life in a Time of Food Price Volatility’ Project (2012-2016), a collaborative project between the Institute of Development Studies and Oxfam, monitoring the impacts of, and responses to, volatile food prices in 10 developing countries.

Alexandra has also worked for the European Network Against Racism (ENAR), Platform London, University of Oxford. Her current research focuses on the hyperracialization of whiteness in post-Brexit Britain.

#### Tianna Gaines-Turner
**Witness to Hunger, USA**

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Tianna Gaines-Turner is member of Witnesses to Hunger who lives with her husband and her three children in Philadelphia, PA. Tianna regularly works to educate the public and policy-makers on pressing topics such as food insecurity, housing, and homelessness, and has spoken at multiple conferences and commissions, including the House Budget Committee and the Center for Science in the Public Interest. Tianna has been featured on the Melissa Harris-Perry Show, CNN's American Morning, WHYY's Voices in the Family with Dan Gottlieb, Media Voices for Children, The Washington Post, and The Philadelphia Inquirer.

#### Sherita Mouzon
**Witness to Hunger, USA**

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Sherita Mouzon is member of Witnesses to Hunger who currently lives in Philadelphia, PA. A founding member of Witnesses to Hunger, Sherita is a seasoned advocate whose work explores issues of trauma, mental health, addiction, youth development, healthcare, abuse, and housing in Philadelphia. As a Witness, Sherita was a leader in the movement to introduce the Sanctuary Model as the program’s foundation of practice, and her work on trauma and poverty has been featured in many publications such as The Philadelphia Inquirer, The New Frontier Chronicle, Talk-Poverty, and DrexelNow. Outside of Witnesses to Hunger, Sherita’s commitment to trauma-informed care extends into her professional career where she works as a certified trauma-competent family professional and a facilitator for recovery, trauma, and parenting groups.
Professor Mariana Chilton

Professor, Health Management and Policy Director, Center for Hunger-Free Communities, School of Public Health, Drexel University, Philadelphia, USA

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Mariana Chilton, PhD, MPH is Professor at Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health. She is the Director of the Center for Hunger-Free Communities and is Co-Principal investigator of Children’s HealthWatch, and national research network that investigates the impact of public assistance programs on the health and wellbeing of young children and their caregivers. Dr. Chilton founded Witnesses to Hunger, a movement to increase women’s participation in the national dialogue on hunger and poverty. She is Founder and Principal Investigator of the Building Wealth and Health Network, which is designed to incentivize entrepreneurship, build resiliency and self-sufficiency in among families with young children. Her research publications address trauma, food insecurity and the advancement of the human rights framework to advance the right to food in the US.

She has testified before the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives on the importance of child nutrition programs and other anti-poverty policies. She has served as an advisor to Sesame Street and to the Institute of Medicine. Her awards include the “Nourish Award” from MANNA, the “Unsung Hero Award” for Improving the Lives of Women and Girls from Women’s Way and the Young Professional Award in Maternal and Child Health from the American Public Health Association. Her work has been featured in the documentary A Place at the Table, and in the Washington Post, the Philadelphia Inquirer, public radio and CBS National News. Dr. Chilton received her PhD from the University of Pennsylvania, Master of Public Health in Epidemiology from the University of Oklahoma, and Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University.

Matthew Thomson

Chief Executive, Fifteen-Cornwall, UK

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Chief Exec at destination restaurant Jamie Oliver’s Fifteen Cornwall and its parent Cornwall Food Foundation, Matthew has experience of social enterprise, community, public and charity sectors. He has diversified the charity beyond the Fifteen chef training programme to establish FoodWorks, a community cooking programme, and Food for Change, an employability project strengthening local food systems. He has also helped develop a local Hospitality Skills network geared to improve productivity through people. Previously, Matthew worked at London Community Resource Network, School for Social Entrepreneurs, TimeBank and the National Lottery Charities Board as well as a merchant bank, a health authority, two hospitals and a series of restaurants and pubs.

Elise Wach

Research Advisor, Institute of Development Studies, Brighton, UK; Doctoral Researcher, Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience, Coventry University, UK

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Elise Wach is a participatory researcher, political ecologist and food producer. She has been engaged in multiple participatory research initiatives in England, Scotland, Nicaragua, Senegal and Bangladesh since 2015 which have investigated alternative markets to support food systems which are ecologically, socially and nutritionally regenerative. Elise works at the Institute of Development Studies and the STEPS Centre at the University of Sussex and is conducting doctoral research through the Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience. She has been a grower at the Whitehawk Community Food Project over the past several years.
Francesca Sanders

Head of Service Design, Food for Life, UK
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Francesca works as Head of Service Design for Food for Life. Francesca’s role involves bringing in the voice of the user into the design of services, focusing on hospitals and Better Care, a Lottery funded project that aims to improve wellbeing and nutrition among people in later life.

Francesca has seven years’ experience in the health and social care sector, working with the end user to develop ideas and services. Previous projects include: the co-design of two local hospital and the development of one of the first outcome based commissioning frameworks. Francesca was recently awarded a fellowship by the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust to explore innovative housing solutions in later life.

Janette Lowe

Executive Officer, Southern Grampians Glenelg Primary Care Partnership, Victoria, Australia
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Janette has worked in local government, natural resource management and currently the health and community services sector where she is the Executive Officer of the Southern Grampians Glenelg Primary Care Partnership (SGGPCP) in southwest Victoria, Australia. She is passionate about activating communities to be the solution to complex social issues and creating an adapting and reflecting practice to support this. Her current work involves engaging and empowering local communities to improve to the local food and activity environments so that the healthy choice is easier. Janette has a formal Degree in Civil Engineering and Masters in Business Administration.

Alejandro Guarin

Senior Researcher, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), UK

Alejandro Guarin is a Senior Researcher with the Shaping Sustainable Markets group at the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) in London. He leads the institute’s work on small scale and informal enterprises, especially in agro-food systems. His work has dealt with several aspects of food systems, from small-holder farming to markets and consumption, with a regional focus on Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa. Prior to IIED, he was a researcher at the German Development Institute (DIE) and a consultant for FAO. He has a PhD in Geography (Berkeley) and a BSc in Biology (National University of Colombia).
Contributor Biographies

Natalie Lartey
Advocacy and Communications Officer, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), UK

Natalie Lartey is a food and nutrition advocate interested in citizen participation in policy processes and social movements. She currently works for the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) on a sustainable diets and citizen agency programme. Prior to that she worked for Concern Worldwide, Action Against Hunger and Greenpeace International. Natalie has led and supported advocacy work in the UK, Spain, Niger, Zambia, the Amazon and the Eastern Caribbean. She has a BSc in Information and Publishing Studies.

Ben Pearson
Food Power; Empowerment Programme Officer, Church Action on Poverty, UK
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Ben works as Empowerment Programme Officer at Church Action on Poverty on the Food Power programme in partnership with Sustain. His role is to involve experts by experience in local Food Poverty Alliances across the UK, empowering those with lived experience to have a strategic influence in tackling food poverty. He also supports Peer Mentors & regional learning networks across the UK. Prior to working at Church Action on Poverty, Ben was Project Manager for Healthwatch Blackburn with Darwen. He has worked in a range of both the public & third sector roles, including Advocacy, Youth, Community & Mental Health. An experienced facilitator he’s passionate about co-design & delivery, engaging individuals & amplifying the voices of those most seldom heard.

Chris Holmes
MD, Healthy Food Programme, Shift, UK
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Chris heads up Shift’s Healthy Food programme, developing products and services that catalyse changes in existing food categories that lead to better diets. The team are currently focused on fast food with programmes underway in Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Birmingham. This work builds on the success of ‘Box Chicken’, Shift’s development of a healthier fried chicken outlet.

Following a 15-year commercial career in the food industry, most latterly as Marketing Director for Kraft Foods (now Mondelez), Chris has spent the last 12-years applying behavioural science to a variety of social issues with a focus on public health. His particular interest is in childhood obesity and how to harness the competitive dynamics of consumer markets to deliver pro-social outcomes.
### Contributor Biographies

**Lynne Davis**  
RSA Food Farming and Countryside Commission, UK  
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Lynne is leading on engagement within the RSA Food, Farming and Countryside Commission. Lynne has a diverse background in community organising, software development and agriculture. She has combined these skills to co-develop projects led communities across the country in food production and distribution. Alongside her work with the RSA Lynne is works on the Open Food Network UK and studies an MSc in Agricultural Economics.

**Sinead Fenton**  
Communications & Web Officer, Food Research Collaboration, UK  
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Sinead is a former exploration and resource geologist with a Masters in Applied & Environmental Geology from the University of Leicester. Sinead has also worked in the software as a service industry, as a process analyst and consultant.

Now, Sinead takes a passion for the planet, people, technology and food, and works toward incorporating a triple bottom line of environmental, social and economic values into the food system and works with a range of organisations, charities and campaigning groups to achieve this. Sinead is also Director and Project Lead of organic food growing social enterprise Audacious Veg.

**Rosalind Sharpe**  
Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London, UK  
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Rosalind Sharpe is a post-doctoral research fellow at the Food Research Collaboration (based at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London), where she focuses on the impacts of Brexit on the UK food system. In the past, her research has looked at the sustainability of food systems, especially the social aspects of sustainability, and the implications of the fact that so much of our food is produced by businesses or corporations. She has worked as a research assistant at the Centre for Food Policy, as a researcher at the New Economics Foundation, as a food poverty project officer at the campaign group Sustain, and formerly worked as a journalist and editor in England and Canada. She is a Research Fellow at the Centre for Agriculture, Food and Environmental Management at the University of Hertfordshire, and is a trustee of the Brighton-based anti-food-poverty NGO Food Matters.
### Contributor Biographies

**Caroline Mockford**

*Food Justice Campaigner, UK*

Caroline Mockford is a community activist and Poverty Truth Commissioner based in Glasgow. She is a member of Scotland’s Food Commission, the Food Insecurity Delivery Group and an active member of the Glasgow Disability Alliance. As a representative of the Poverty Truth Commission, she was a lead partner with Nourish Scotland in the Dignity Project (insert link http://www.nourishscotland.org/the-dignity-project/), which explored how community food providers can put dignity into practice in responses to food insecurity.

**Pete Ritchie**

*Director, Nourish Scotland, UK*

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Pete Ritchie is co-founder and director of Nourish Scotland, a membership organisation working across the board for a fairer, more sustainable food system in Scotland and beyond. He is also a member of the Scottish Food Commission and a trustee of the Food Ethics Council.

Before entering the world of food, he was an advocate for equality and inclusion of disabled people for 25 years. He founded and directed Scottish Human Services (SHS). SHS was a social change organisation, working at different levels to shift policy and practice in services for disabled people, people with mental health problems and other people at risk of exclusion. A long time ago Pete studied philosophy.

At home, he’s a first generation farmer and with his family runs Whitmuir Organics, a diversified farm business in the Scottish Borders. A long time ago Pete studied philosophy.

**Manuel Franco MD**

*PhD, School of Medicine, University of Alcalá, Madrid, Spain*

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Manuel Franco trained both in Spain and Germany to obtain his MD. As a Fulbright Scholar, he joined the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHBSPH) to obtain his Ph.D. and Post-Doctoral fellowship working within the Department of Epidemiology.

His work focuses on the epidemiology and prevention of cardiovascular diseases (CVD) and its major risk factors. He studies how different social characteristics relate to CVD and CVD risk factors as dietary patterns, hypertension, or obesity. He is particularly interested in food environment and the risk of CVD.

He is an Adjunct Professor at the Universidad de Alcalá and Associate Professor at the JHBSPH. Currently, he is the Principal Investigator of the European Research Council-funded (Starting Grant 2013) Heart Healthy Hoods project, which studies urban characteristics in relation to eating patterns, physical activity levels, smoking, and alcohol consumption. He is also leading the Photovoice Villaverde, a participatory action research project on food in cities.
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Julia Díez obtained a Bachelor’s Degree in Health Biology and a Master’s Degree in Epidemiology. Currently, she is Ph.D. Candidate in Epidemiology at the Universidad of Alcalá (Madrid, Spain).

Her research interests focus on the determinants of dietary behaviors, obesity, and cardiovascular diseases. She is currently working at the Heart Healthy Hoods, studying the access to both healthy and unhealthy foods in the city of Madrid, and its associations with Mediterranean dietary pattern and cardiovascular risk.

Other research interests include as using participatory research methods as part of population health intervention research. As such, she is interested in engaging residents and other stakeholders in exploring how features of the local food environment (e.g. affordability) affect food shopping and consumption.

|**John Jarvis** |
| **COO, Leadership Centre, UK** |

John is the Chief Operating Officer of the Leadership Centre and is always looking for new ways of blending leadership development with design, technology and systems thinking to reconnect public services to citizens’ ambitions and create those ‘aha’ moments.

John oversees the day-to-day operations and delivery of the Centre’s activity and works with the team to design and deliver leadership and organisational development interventions across public services.

Since John joined the Leadership Centre in 2009 he has played key design & delivery roles on our place-based and large scale national development programmes working with citizens, local public services and government departments. These have included: Total Place, Community Budgets (whole place and neighbourhood level), Families with Complex Needs, Systems Leadership – Local Vision, Health & Social Care Integration Pioneers and Skills for Systems Leadership, as well as a number of bespoke place-based commissions.

|**Di Neale** |
| **Enabler, Leadership Centre, UK** |

Di has been successfully working with places and local agencies on system change and leadership since 2004. With significant experience in the design and facilitation of outcome-focused interventions on complex issues, she offers practical approaches and incisive coaching to support organisational and community leaders to develop the approaches, competencies and confidence to effect real change. Di works to develop effective systems leadership to ensure there is more capacity, capability and connection to support fundamental improvement.
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<td>Bill Vorley joined the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) in 1999 after many years in both private and non-profit sectors. He is now Senior Associate, linked to the Shaping Sustainable Markets group. Bill’s current interests centre on small-scale farming, the resilience of informal markets, sustainable diets and citizen agency in the face of big shifts in food systems worldwide. He has a PhD in applied ecology from the University of Southampton.</td>
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<td>Claire Marris joined the Centre for Food Policy in January 2016. She is Programme Director for the MSc in Food Policy. Her research is in the field of Social Studies of Science, with a focus on the use of modern biotechnologies and genetic modification in food and agriculture. She is interested in the relationship between scientific evidence and policy making, notably in the area of risk assessment for crops and foods. Her work explores links between science and democracy, and advocates the inclusion of a broader range of stakeholders in decision-making. Before joining the Centre for Food Policy, she worked at King's College London (2012-2015), the London School of Economics (2009-2011), the French National Institute for Agronomic Research (2000-2009); and the University of East Anglia (1992-1996).</td>
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<td>Professor Corinna Hawkes is Director of the Centre for Food Policy at City, University of London. Working internationally, national and locally, her expertise is on the development, design and delivery of policies throughout the food system to improve nutrition, diets and public health. She is also Co-Chair of the Global Nutrition Report, Vice Chair of the Mayor of London’s Child Obesity Taskforce and a member of the London Food Board.</td>
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