Can a human rights based approach accelerate reduction of undernutrition and obesity?

Time and place: Thursday 26 April 2018, 09:00 - 13:15
Auditorium 13 (Nye auditorium), Domus Medica, Gaustad, University of Oslo
Sognsvannsveien 9, Oslo

09:00 Welcome
Nanna Lien, Department of Nutrition, Faculty of Medicine, University of Oslo

09:10 Opening words
Per Morten Sandset, Vice-Rector, University of Oslo
Member of the Board of UiO:Life Science

09:20 - 09:55 PART I: THE GLOBAL THREATS OF UNDERNUTRITION AND OBESITY
Moderator: Nanna Lien

The double burden of malnutrition and its impacts
Peter Milton Rukundo, Kyambogo University Department of Human Nutrition and Home Economics, Kampala, Uganda

Poverty, inequality and commercial interests as causes of maternal and child undernutrition
Liv Elin Torheim, Department of Nursing and Health Promotion, Faculty of Health Sciences, OsloMet - Oslo Metropolitan University

Food systems and food environments as drivers of the global obesity epidemic
Nanna Lien, Department of Nutrition, Faculty of Medicine, University of Oslo

09:55 - 10:25 PART II: SOME EFFORTS TO REDUCE MALNUTRITION GLOBALLY
Moderator: Anne Lene Løvhaug

WHO’s work to reduce malnutrition in all its forms in children: approaches and lessons learned
Kaia Engesveen, Department of Nutrition for Health and Development, World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva

Child obesity and attempts towards preventive action world-wide
Louise Meincke, World Cancer Research Fund International

The Norwegian experience to improve diets
Henriette Øien, Division of Public Health, Norwegian Directorate of Health

10:25 - 10:45 Coffee / Tea / Fruits
PART III: DIET-RELATED HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS
Moderator: Liv Elin Torheim

Adequate food and diet-related health as international legal human rights
Asbjørn Eide, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child - protecting children’s freedom from all forms of malnutrition
Katharina O’Cathaoir, WELMA Research Group, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen

The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Obligations of States to protect and responsibilities of businesses to respect human rights
Bård Anders Andreassen, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo

5 minutes for clarifications

Obligations of states to protect public health: the case of childhood obesity
Amandine Garde, Law & Non-Communicable Diseases Research Unit, Faculty of Law and Social Justice, University of Liverpool

Experiences from work with food businesses to respect human rights in food marketing activities related to children
Tulika Bansal, Human Rights and Business, Danish Institute of Human Rights

Marketing unhealthy foods to children in the digital age - challenges presented by intersecting human rights
Mimi Tatlow-Golden, Faculty of Wellbeing, Education & Language Studies, Open University, the UK

FAO’s work on the implementation of the human right to adequate food through the Right to Food Guidelines in the context of national food security and nutrition
Serena Pepino, Right to Food Team, Social Policies and Rural Institutions Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Rome

PANEL AND PLENARY DEBATE:

What are the added values of applying a human rights based approach to combating malnutrition and related diseases?

Moderator: Brigit Toebes, Global Health Law, Groningen Research Centre, Faculty of Law, Groningen University

Concluding remarks and closure of the seminar
Wenche Barth Eide, Coordinator of FoHRC- Food, Human Rights and Corporations

Sandwich lunch and mingling