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Network News

This month Jacqueline Garget **interviewed Dr Lili Jia**, at Cambridge's Centre for Industrial Sustainability, who wants to motivate behaviour change for health and sustainability. By working with big influencers, her aim is to make it easier for us to make better choices.

The **Cambridge Festival of Ideas** starts next week, with hundreds of events open to the public across the city. Those hosted by Cambridge Global Food Security are listed below.

Cambridge researchers: if you'd like help in putting on an event at the University's March 2019 Science Festival, please get in touch now.

If members have information they'd like to share: workshops, talks or anything else of relevance to the wider network, please send it to coordinator@globalfood.cam.ac.uk

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CAMBRIDGE-BASED EVENTS

12 Oct, 12-2pm University of Cambridge Conservation Research Institute (UCCRI) "Meet the Researcher" networking event, David Attenborough Building, Large Seminar Room. A chance to meet senior academics and early career researchers from within UCCRI's conservation research network. Lunch provided. All welcome. [Please sign up in advance](#)

16 Oct, 5:30pm, [From Simple to High-Tech: Technologies that Improve Lives](#) Large Lecture Theatre, Dept. Plant Sciences Speakers Prof Jaideep Prabhu (Judge Business School), Dr Manoj Dora (Brunel University London), Dr Lara Allen (Cambridge Global Challenges SRI) will explore how innovations in food-related technologies have the potential to improve lives across the globe and contribute to sustainability and food security. **Public talk, booking required.**

18 Oct, 5:30pm, [Present but not accounted for: women in Indian agriculture](#), Mill Lane Lecture Theatre Dr Shailaja Fennel (Centre of Development Studies) will examine the huge gap between men's and women's participation in agriculture, and its relation to extreme patterns of gendered land ownership, and social norms on gendered behaviour. **Public talk, booking required.**

9 Nov, 2:30pm: [Public Health Annual Lecture](#), Prof John Ioannidis (Stanford University) Li Ka Shing Centre

21 Nov: Workshop and funding: [Addressing Nutrition Challenges in Developing Countries](#), Maxwell Centre, Cambridge. Hear from three international guest speakers and compete for seed

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funds to trial interdisciplinary project ideas. Open to Cambridge researchers and their collaborators. **Register now.**

26 Nov: [Cambridge Big Data Research Symposium](#). Sainsbury Lab, Cambridge. **Register by 2 Nov.**

27 Nov, 5:30pm: CSaP [Dr S T Lee Public Policy Lecture 2018](#), Peterhouse. Prof K Vijay Raghavan (Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India), 'Science, the fulcrum for social and economic change in India'. **Register.**

28 Nov: [Cambridge Global Challenges Annual Conference](#), St John's College. Open to Cambridge researchers. **Register by 18 Nov.**

Ongoing: [UCCRI Early Career Researcher Programme](#), David Attenborough Building. **Bookings now open** for workshops including Facilitation Skills, Leadership, Visual Data, Policy Analysis.

Ongoing: [Cambridge Conservation Initiative Seminar Series](#). David Attenborough Building, 5pm.

WORLDWIDE EVENTS

24 Oct: [Can public health solve obesity, hunger and malnutrition by focusing on the lived experience of food and eating?](#) Centre for Food Policy, City University London. **Register.**

29 Oct: [How do we talk about meat and dairy reduction?](#) London. **Register.**

6-7 Nov: [EIT Food Algal Biotechnology Course](#): Techniques and Opportunities for the Sustainable Bioeconomy. Reykjavik, Iceland. **Register.**

12-16 Nov: [Climate Change Impacts on Food and Nutrition Security](#), Trinidad

Events listed in previous newsletters are detailed on our [website](#).

PUBLICATIONS

[Contact me](#) if you are an Initiative Member and would like support in promoting your new publication.

[Examining linkages between Smart Villages and Smart Cities: Learning from rural youth accessing the internet in India](#). Sept 2018, *Telecommunications Policy*. Led by IRC member **Shailaja Fennell**.

[BBC coverage of study led by Andrew Balmford \(Department of Zoology\), which suggests that intensive farming may be the best way to meet growing demand for food while conserving biodiversity. 'High-yield' farming costs the environment less than previously thought – and could help spare habitats](#)

Cambridge Independent: [Should the state control what we eat?](#)

Luca Scimeca (Department of Engineering) talks about team of engineers developing a robot that can pick up a lettuce head delicately remove the outer layer of leaves. [Quartz](#) [PC Magazine](#) [Msn](#) [Engadget](#) [Verge](#)

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Shailaja Fennell talks to DownToEath about [‘Labour burden on women millet producers must be reduced.’](#)

REPORTS OF INTEREST:

The UK’s Global Food Security programme has published [Food First: A Policy Approach to Achieve Health and Sustainability](#)

The UKRI/BBSRC has published [Forward Look for UK Bioscience](#), a roadmap setting the direction of travel for UK bioscience, and an opportunity to address some of the 21st century’s greatest challenges to provide food security, clean growth and healthy ageing.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

If you are a Cambridge researcher interested in putting together an application and would like assistance in finding suitable collaborators/coordinating a group meeting, please [contact me](#).

[EIT Food Entrepreneurship Prize](#) Do you have an idea that could transform the food and agriculture sector? **Apply for a prize of €10,000 by 9 Nov.**

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is inviting proposals for the latest round of Grand Challenges Explorations. Topics include: [New Approaches for Strategic Prioritization of Agricultural Development Policies](#); [Tools and Technologies for Broad-Scale Pest and Disease Surveillance of Crop Plants in Low-Income Countries](#). **Deadline 14 Nov.**

Cambridge researchers: [EPSRC IAA Postdoctoral Placements](#). To take up short term placements in industry, public sector or third sector. Up to £10,000 available.