

## EXTERNAL STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP

### Role

The role of the External Strategic Advisory Group is to provide advice to the InterConnect Co-ordinator and the Consortium on how to create a sustainable global network for diabetes and obesity population research that brings together researchers, research funders and users of research.

Specifically, the External Strategic Advisory Group will provide strategic advice on:

- Engagement with researchers, funders of research and users of research
- Communications, dissemination and impact activities
- Alignment with other relevant international initiatives
- Ethical, legal and social issues relating to data sharing

### Way of working

The group will meet annually by teleconference and be available to respond to individual requests for advice from the Co-ordinator through the year.

### Membership

#### Members

- **Professor Paul Zimmet.** Founder and Director Emeritus, International Diabetes Institute, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Professor Jean-Claude Mbanya.** Professor of Endocrinology, University of Yaounde Cameroon.
- **Professor Paul Burton.** Professor of Infrastructural Epidemiology, University of Bristol, United Kingdom.
- **Dr Joe McNamara.** Head Population and Systems Medicine, Medical Research Council, United Kingdom
- **Anne-Marie Felton.** Co-Founder and President of the Federation of European Nurses in Diabetes (FEND). Past Vice President of the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) and current Chair of the Organising Committee of IDF World Diabetes Congress 2015 Vancouver.
- **Professor Bartha Maria Knoppers.** Canada Research Chair in Law and Medicine. Director, Centre of Genomics and Policy, McGill University, Canada

#### In attendance

- **Professor Nick Wareham.** InterConnect Co-ordinator and Director, MRC Epidemiology Unit, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.

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