

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
OF
THE NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INC.**

Tuesday 30th November 2021

Room 3.11, Gregory Building
Department of Food Science, University of Otago, Dunedin
and
Via ZOOM

5.30pm – ~5.40pm

To be followed at ~5.40pm by a presentation from Miranda Miroso (UoO)

“Upcycling Food: A trend that will define the industry! Insights into consumer acceptance of upcycled foods made from waste”

AGENDA

- 1. Present** (Quorum = 25 members with full voting rights).
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Voting rights of members**
All current financial Graduate Members, Standard Members, Professional Members, Fellows and Honorary shall have full voting rights and one vote each.
- 4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**
“Members of NZIFST shall not enter into any discussion, activity or conduct that may infringe upon any applicable competition law and must declare any conflict of interest in the results of discussions.”
- 5. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT**
 - 9.2 **Procedure for Amendment**
 - 9.2.1 The Constitution and Rules can be changed, repealed or added to only by a resolution passed at a General Meeting of the Institute.
 - 9.2.2 At least two thirds of the Members with full voting rights (as it pertains to General Meetings in Section 7.4.3) present at the meeting are required to approve the amendment.

CURRENT RULE:

10.4 Other Officers

10.4.1 The Honorary Treasurer shall not hold office for more than **three consecutive terms**, except where the Board appoints a Member to fill this office which becomes vacant during the year.

PROPOSED RULE:

10.4 Other Officers

10.4.1 The Honorary Treasurer shall not hold office for more than **six consecutive terms**, except where the Board appoints a Member to fill this office which becomes vacant during the year.

RATIONALE:

A term is defined as the time between two consecutive AGMs:

- 10.1.4 All elected Officers of the Institute start their term of service at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting and complete their term at the conclusion of the next AGM.

The role of Honorary Treasurer is complex but, once understood, is not onerous on a day-to-day basis. The current and previous Treasurers have expressed frustration that they just seem to be fully understanding the role when they have to pass it on. The NZIFST Board therefore recommends that the term for an Honorary Treasurer be extended to a maximum of 6 terms (~6 years) if the incumbent is willing and able.

This motion is brought to this Special General Meeting so that the current Honorary Treasurer may continue in the role from AGM 2022 (unless otherwise challenged in an election).

MOTION:

Moved that the Constitutional amendment above be accepted to increase the term of office for the Honorary Treasurer to a maximum of 6 consecutive terms.

Moved: Phil Bremer / Seconded: Don Otter

6. Close of Special General Meeting

7. Presentation from Miranda Miroso (UoO)

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Zoom Seminar

brought to you by the Otago-Southland branch

Associate Professor Miranda Miroso

Department of Food Science, University of Otago

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Abstract

According to the International Upcycled Food Association, which has recently produced a certification standard for upcycled foods, these products use ingredients that otherwise would not have gone to human consumption. Both business and public interest in upcycled products is at an all-time high, with ‘upcycling’ hitting almost all the top food trend lists for 2021. However, while there are hundreds of brands available in the USA, in NZ there are only several ranges. Advancing the idea that consumer-led new product development is the key to market success, 4 focus groups and a representative survey of 1000 consumers was carried out to assess consumers’ perceptions of upcycled foods. While most consumers were positive about the approach’s potential to reduce waste, they were reluctant to pay a premium and believed that the food’s origin needed to be stated. Findings will guide manufacturers’ efforts in development and marketing of foods from waste streams.

Speaker: **Miranda MIROSA**, Associate Professor Department of Food Science University of Otago and Director of Food Waste Innovation Research Group



Miranda is a Consumer Food Scientist with a background in agri-food marketing and consumer behaviour. She leads a Sustainable Food Systems Behavioural Research Group whose mission is catalysing change for a more sustainable food future. She conducts fundamental and translational behavioural research focused on improving people and planetary health.

Miranda is the Director of the University of Otago Food Waste Innovation Research Theme <https://foodwaste-otago.org/> which measures food waste, develops reduction strategies, applies innovative technology, and works to modify producer and consumer behaviour. As NZ's leading provider of food waste-related research, this group of interdisciplinary researchers harnesses the best scientific expertise at the University and nationwide to provide effective solutions to food waste problems.

She is also Co-Chair of the New Zealand Champions 12.3 initiative, a coalition of Champions from our food supply chain who are committed to halving food waste by 2030 and achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Target 12.3.