**Access to Nutrition Initiative**

**Investors in Nutrition and Health Newsletter**

**September 2023**

Welcome to the latest ATNI Newsletter, which features updates on our work and investment-relevant nutrition news. All previous Investor Newsletters are available on the ATNI website [here](https://accesstonutrition.org/newsletters/).

Please get in touch via info@accesstonutrition.org if you have any questions about ATNI’s work would like to join the growing group of ATNI’s Investors in Nutrition and Health (AINH) – 81 investors representing USD 19.9 trillion AUM as of 2022 – and gain access to the ATNI Investor Portal.

**ATNI’s Work**

**India Index 2023 Launch and Collaborative Engagement**

The 2023 India Index will be launched to investors on November 21st with a hybrid event hosted in Mumbai by ATNI investment partner Avendus Spark. A multistakeholder launch event will be held the following day and will be attended by key figures from the Securities & Exchange Board of India and the Indian Government.

The Investor and multistakeholder events will both be in hybrid format and ATNI will circulate invitations to AINH members in October.

ATNI is scoping investors’ interest in engaging with the companies assessed following the launch of the India Index 2023. A list of companies can be found here. A list of companies can be found [here](https://accesstonutrition.org/news/india-index-2023-progress-update/). If you wish to participate or you have any questions about the India Index 2023, please contact investor.support@accesstonutrition.org.

**Nutrient Profiling Model Project**

ATNI is organizing a series of stakeholder surveys to build consensus on the use and reporting of nutrient profile models (NPMs), with support from the Pictet Foundation. ATNI and partners will organize a series of stakeholder consultations using a modified Delphi approach, including sequential questionnaires and online roundtables to structure the communication process and build consensus around the use and reporting of existing NPMs. All relevant stakeholders from the research community, food industry, policy, NGO/civil society, and other actors in the Nutrient Profiling ecosystem will be invited to participate.

The result of the convenings will be a framework for harmonizing the selection, use, and reporting on NPMs to measure the healthiness of portfolios, facilitate comparison, and track progress of companies’ commitments.

**Global Index 2024**

ATNI will be launching its next iteration of the Global Index 2024 in Q2 2024. This Index will assess 30 of the world’s largest F&B manufacturers on their policies, practices and transparency related to nutrition. ATNI is currently finalizing its methodology and list of companies to be assessed.

**ATNI Celebrates 10 Years**

ATNI will celebrate its ten-year anniversary in on World Food Day (16 October) 2023. The celebration will look at the impact ATNI and partners, including investors, have had on improving private sector performance on nutrition, and to discuss what it will take to galvanize new efforts to transform markets for nutrition.

Find out more about ATNI’s ten-year anniversary [here](https://tracking.accesstonutrition.org/tracking/click?d=viKk9LgVpEJDfrR4zhPZ3IA4t5SFlvhCi5NXlxYu9SKx7brBH-TRSHBTUPXEnidJpxDTWagtoJjeM-5zOTM7qRf21lY3bAVX_0JsX4PzoDczv5xhCCPRuGQ0Yth9pmc_glzF4NJaOE20SPaC4tp4We6kcO3yzMRwFW-CT9g528AAnV7gCUYLaaWiMHpKI-W_cQFuxkWkQOk60VqCOYkAUowfw5wp3IjZCViTvfD6gnvjk30G-OQM25C2wofsN3ouk3KM9nnTKAlvGcHtDjRqtNIyc5mI7nWMmWl3iN-ef-o8wL7koCenL97uQARfuSJfgPr-my3ux-IHhGntrIuM1BMX4Z5O5fQlXiZzHRqj72207po_WQYZE_rW6cVhIE6-8sRmpXth3oymtqegljw4XsFl4hdB4Leop560r1UC3dSzxzu-WSGMgYvp6b2a0RTvEX7B6_cAGUhUtJLZjYF06Uc1)

**Breastmilk Substitute & Complimentary Foods**

ATNI will be launching its next iterations of the BMS and CF Marketing Indexes early in 2024, with the support of the Pictet Foundation. The Indexes will assess the 20 largest global baby food companies, and 6 of the largest CF manufacturers.

For more information about these projects, please reach out to marina.plyta@accesstonutrition.org.

**The Year Ahead**

• 5-19 September – 78th UN General Assembly

• 16 October – World Food Day

• 15-16 November – Responsible Investor USA

• 30 November-12 December – COP 28

• 15-19 January – World Economic Forum

**Upcoming ATNI Publications and Activities**

Q3 2023

• ATNI/Rockefeller Foundation CEO Initiative

• Global Index Methodology

Q4 2023

• Project Aligning on Nutrient Profile Models

• India Index 2023

• ATNI Ten Year Anniversary

Q1 2024

• BMS and CF Indexes 2023

**News**

24 July | Big food should be ESG’s next target

This article from Bloomberg outlines the case for holding the world’s largest manufacturers to account for the impact their ultra-processed products have on consumer health, signaling that nutrition is rising on the ESG agenda.

24 July | How the long shadow of food giants pushes public health and sugar labeling into the shade

This article outlines the conversation around food & beverage industry lobbying in Australia and its impact on public health measures to improve healthy diets, including sugar taxes and product labeling.

20 July | Call to embed corporate accountability in the UN food systems stocktaking process

The UN Food Systems +2 Stocktaking process took place in July 2023, calling on all food systems actors to do their part to drive food systems transformation for sustainable, equitable, healthy and resilient outcomes. ATNI, along with the Food Foundation, World Benchmarking Alliance, and the SUN Civil Society Network, call for corporate accountability to be part of Summit processes.

7th August | What makes ultra-processed foods so bad for your health?

The Economist breaks down the evolving consensus on ultra-processed food consumption and its health impacts, particularly in emerging markets.