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these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard. This is not intended to be a “news and events” digest.


Governance

Statement by Mr. António Guterres on his appointment by the General Assembly to the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations
[excerpt]
13 October 2016

Mr. President of the General Assembly,
Mr. Secretary-General,
Excellencies,
Ladies and gentlemen,
When I heard the Security Council’s decision to recommend me to the General Assembly, my feelings could be described by just two words: gratitude and humility.

It is with the same gratitude and humility that I stand before you today, now joined by a profound sense of responsibility.
I am grateful, first of all, to the General Assembly and the Security Council for entrusting me with the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

I am also grateful for the transparency and openness of the selection process and to the many competent, thoughtful and dedicated candidates who came forward. I believe this process means that the true winner today is the credibility of the UN. And it also made very clear to me that, as Secretary-General, having been chosen by all Member States, I must be at the service of them all equally and with no agenda but the one enshrined in the UN Charter.

I am fully aware of the challenges the UN faces and the limitations surrounding the Secretary-General. The dramatic problems of today’s complex world can only inspire a humble approach – one in which the Secretary-General alone neither has all the answers, nor seeks to impose his views; one in which the Secretary-General makes his good offices available, working as a convener, a mediator, a bridge-builder and an honest broker to help find solutions that benefit everyone involved.

Excellencies,
Ladies and gentlemen,
Over the last 10 years, I have witnessed, first hand, the suffering of the most vulnerable people on earth. I have visited war zones and refugee camps where one might legitimately ask: what has happened to the “dignity and worth of the human person”?

What has made us immune to the plight of those most socially and economically underprivileged? All this makes me feel the acute responsibility to make human dignity the core of my work- and I trust, the core of our common work.
This also underscores the importance of gender equality. I have long been aware of the hurdles women face in society, in the family and in the workplace just because of their gender. I have witnessed the violence they are subject to during conflict, or while fleeing it, just because they are women. I have tried to address this through every public office I have ever held. The protection and the empowerment of women and girls will continue to be a priority commitment for me.

I have faith in the United Nations because I believe in the universal values it stands for: peace, justice, human dignity, tolerance and solidarity. Based on these values, I believe that diversity in all its forms is a tremendous asset, and not a threat; that in societies that are more and more multi-ethnic, multi-cultural and multi-religious, diversity can bring us together, not drive us apart...

António Guterres (Secretary-General designate) on his appointment by the General Assembly to the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations - General Assembly, 27th plenary meeting, 71st session
[Video: 11:23]
13 Oct 2016 – Statement by Secretary-General designate H.E. António Guterres on his appointment by the General Assembly to the position of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Haiti

Appeal for $9 million for emergency health operations in Haiti
October 2016 -- WHO has issued an appeal to donors for emergency health response operations in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew. Of the more than 2.1 million Haitians who have been affected by the Hurricane, there are estimated 750,000 persons in urgent need of humanitarian assistance.

New United Nations approach on the cholera in Haiti (Opening remarks)
[Video: 17:22]
The opening comments by Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson, and via VTC from Haiti, Sandra Honoré, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General and head of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) and Mourad Wahba, Deputy Special Representative for the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), who also serves as UN Resident Coordinator, on the cholera in Haiti.
Briefing organized by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG).

Gavi provides support for emergency cholera vaccine campaign in Haiti
One million doses of cholera vaccine will be drawn from the Gavi-supported global cholera vaccine stockpile
Geneva, 13 October 2016 - Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance today announced funding support for a vaccination campaign to protect Haitians against the growing threat of cholera outbreaks in the wake of Hurricane Matthew.
Public health authorities in Haiti are preparing to distribute one million doses of oral cholera vaccine (OCV) as soon as they reach Port-au-Prince. The shipment was approved on Monday by The Global Task Force on Cholera Control (GTFCC).

“Our concern is that cholera could cut a deadly swath through Haiti, as it did following the devastating earthquake in 2010,” said Dr. Seth Berkley, CEO of Gavi. “There is tremendous need to prevent another disaster adding to the nightmare of Hurricane Matthew by providing vulnerable Haitians with comprehensive disease-control interventions that includes vaccination and access to safe and clean water.”

WHO, together with other technical partners, has deployed teams across Haiti to investigate the scale and nature of several cholera outbreaks that have occurred since Hurricane Matthew struck on 4 October. This assessment will help shape an effective strategy for the emergency vaccination programme.

Provisional data indicates 303 suspected cases of cholera in the worst-hit departments of Grande Anse and South. Public health officials agree that there is a high risk of increased cholera transmission in these regions, and possibly beyond.

The one million doses of cholera vaccine approved by the GTFCC for Haiti’s campaign will be drawn from the Gavi-supported global cholera vaccine stockpile. Since 2013, Haiti has conducted small-scale OCV campaigns on an annual basis, vaccinating approximately 480,000 people through the stockpile.

“The global OCV stockpile is specifically designed for rapid responses to fast-moving crises like the one we’re trying to prevent right now in Haiti,” Dr. Berkley said. “Gavi will continue to work closely with the Government of Haiti and with our global health colleagues to stave off the potential threat of cholera outbreaks and enable the Haitian people to stay healthy and focused on repairing the damage caused by Hurricane Matthew.”

Refugees

Dadaab’s broken promise – A call to reinstate voluntary, safe and dignified returns for the Dadaab refugee community
Norwegian Refugee Council
Position Paper - October 2016 :: 8 pages

[Overview]
The 2013 Tripartite Agreement promised that refugees from Somalia would be assisted to return home in safety and dignity. The sudden announcement in May to close Dadaab camps breaks this promise, and the Tripartite Agreement process now fails to meet international standards for voluntary return. This paper argues why the deadline to close the camps should be lifted, to better protect vulnerable Somalia refugees who remain in need of international protection.

Recommendations
To the Kenyan and Somali governments:
:: Return to the process of organized and planned repatriation process as per the Tripartite Agreement, to ensure a safe, dignified, sustainable and voluntary return process.
:: Remove the November deadline imposed by the Kenyan government for the closure of the Dadaab camps.

To UN and NGO organizations:
:: Strengthen cross-border coordination mechanisms to ensure that the governments of Kenya and Somalia are supported to meet international obligations for voluntary repatriation.
:: Enhance protection monitoring on both sides of the Kenyan-Somali border, to resolve complaints related to protection, return assistance and information.
:: Ensure that monitoring and follow up is in place to understand the root causes behind Somali refugees are spontaneously returning outside of the repatriation process, and to appropriately support them.
:: Establish grievance redress mechanisms to resolve refugee issues related to protection, return assistance and information.
:: Re-adjust aid programming in Kenya and Somalia to incorporate the three-tier approach to returns: repatriation, reintegration and resilience.
:: Scale up local level coordination in areas of returns supporting the Government of Somalia to meet returnees needs through a resilience lens.

To the donor community:
:: Commit and release sufficient funding for reintegration and development programming in areas of return in Somalia.
:: Provide technical support to the Government of Somalia and local authorities to manage the returns process.

New report criticizes closure of world’s largest refugee camp
"The deadline to close the world’s largest refugee camp must be lifted," said Jan Egeland, Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC).
A new report released today by NRC criticizes the returns process from Dadaab camp in Kenya to Somalia, as no longer being voluntary, safe or dignified.
The report, titled Dadaab’s Broken Promise, says that the decision by the Government of Kenya in May to close the Dadaab refugee camps in November has led to a situation where the voluntary returns process does not meet international standards, and breaks the agreement that Somalis would be assisted to return home safely and voluntarily...

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Climate

Countries agree to curb powerful greenhouse gases in largest climate breakthrough since Paris
Sat, Oct 15, 2016
:: Reducing emissions of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) under the Kigali Amendment can prevent up to 0.5°C of global warming, while continuing to protect the ozone layer.
:: HFCs consumption to be reduced in 2019 in developed countries and frozen in 2024 and 2028 in developing countries.
Kigali, 15 October 2016 - Nearly 200 countries struck a landmark deal today to reduce the emissions of powerful greenhouse gases, hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), in a move that could prevent up to 0.5 degrees Celsius of global warming by the end of this century.

:: Download full text of the Kigali Amendment (pt. 1)
:: Download full text of the Kigali Amendment (pt. 2)

The amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer endorsed in Kigali today is the single largest contribution the world has made towards keeping the global temperature rise "well below" 2 degrees Celsius, a target agreed at the Paris climate conference last year.

"Last year in Paris, we promised to keep the world safe from the worst effects of climate change. Today, we are following through on that promise," said UN Environment chief Erik Solheim.

"This is about much more than the ozone layer and HFCs. It is a clear statement by all world leaders that the green transformation started in Paris is irreversible and unstoppable. It shows the best investments are those in clean, efficient technologies."

Commonly used in refrigeration and air conditioning as substitutes for ozone-depleting substances, HFCs are currently the world's fastest growing greenhouse gases, their emissions increasing by up to 10 per cent each year. They are also one of the most powerful, trapping thousands of times more heat in the Earth's atmosphere than carbon dioxide (CO2).
"The faster we act, the lower the financial costs will be, and the lighter the environmental burden on our children," said President of Rwanda Paul Kagame.

"That begins with a clear signal that change is coming and it is coming soon. In due course, new innovations and products will allow us to phase out HFCs even faster, and at lower cost." The rapid growth of HFCs in recent years has been driven by a growing demand for cooling, particularly in developing countries with a fast-expanding middle class and hot climates. The Kigali amendment provides for exemptions for countries with high ambient temperatures to phase down HFCs at a slower pace.

"It is not often you get a chance to have a 0.5-degree centigrade reduction by taking one single step together as countries - each doing different things perhaps at different times, but getting the job done," said US Secretary of State John Kerry. "If we continue to remember the high stakes for every country on Earth, the global transition to a clean energy economy is going to accelerate."

**Phase down schedule**
Following seven years of negotiations, the 197 Montreal Protocol parties reached a compromise, under which developed countries will start to phase down HFCs by 2019. Developing countries will follow with a freeze of HFCs consumption levels in 2024, with some countries freezing consumption in 2028.

By the late 2040s, all countries are expected to consume no more than 15-20 per cent of their respective baselines.
Financing and alternatives to HFCs
Countries also agreed to provide adequate financing for HFCs reduction, the cost of which is estimated at billions of dollars globally. The exact amount of additional funding will be agreed at the next Meeting of the Parties in Montreal, in 2017. Grants for research and development of affordable alternatives to hydrofluorocarbons will be the most immediate priority...

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Development

Delivering on the 2030 Agenda
News Release | 9 October 2016
Statement by the Heads of the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the European Investment Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank Group, the International Finance Corporation, the Islamic Development Bank, the New Development Bank, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund

1. Last year, the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, the UN Sustainable Development Summit, and the 21st Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change yielded some of the most ambitious global commitments ever made—commitments that are critical to improving lives and protecting the planet. The adoption of the 17 SDGs by the international community launched an ambitious 15-year global agenda to end poverty, fight inequality, and tackle climate change, while leaving no one behind.

2. MDBs and the IMF play a critical role in supporting their member countries’ efforts to translate the SDGs that underpin this agenda into meaningful country-level targets, policies, programs, and projects needed to achieve them. They provide not only the necessary financing—either directly or by helping to “unlock” and catalyze additional public and private resources—but also policy advice and technical assistance supporting countries to build domestic capacity and to identify needed priority investments with the right standards. At the same time, the IMF and the World Bank are strengthening their debt sustainability assessment tools to ensure that investment scaling-up does not threaten the sustainability of public finances. To address the challenges of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, we are stepping up efforts—within our respective mandates and governance structures—to make the best possible use of our respective business models, enhance the multiplier effect of our financing, expand our technical assistance, disseminate and share our knowledge and best practices, and provide innovative and integral solutions to multidimensional development problems.

3. Throughout 2016 we have continued to enhance our coordination and collaboration, and came together to agree on common actions to address critical issues of the 2030 Agenda such as forced displacement, infrastructure, urbanization, climate finance and private investment. We launched the first Global Infrastructure Forum in April, which brought together public and private partners to highlight opportunities for investment in order to bridge the infrastructure gap, and have already begun working on preparing the second Forum to be held at the same time as the IMF-World Bank Group Spring Meetings in April 2017, focusing on inclusive, sustainable infrastructure. Likewise, we committed to tackle forced displacement at the World
Humanitarian Summit in Istanbul in May and we have started launching new facilities to address its root causes. Furthermore, through a special joint Task Force, the MDBs advanced on harmonizing methodologies and common metrics to quantify private finance catalyzed by our institutions. We intend to start jointly reporting measures of private direct mobilization and private cofinancing in 2017, building on existing joint MDB reporting of private climate cofinancing. We will encourage other Development Finance Institutions and OECD to adopt the same methodology, facilitating greater global transparency on the development community’s efforts to catalyze private finance. And finally, for the Habitat III Conference in Quito in October, MDBs will be joining forces to mainstream and implement the UN New Urban Agenda to promote equitable, sustainable, and productive urbanization.

4. In Paris, countries committed to make a leap forward towards achieving climate resilience and net-zero emissions from 2050 onwards. MDBs are deeply committed to this agenda and are aligning our organizations and our joint actions with it. We are developing together a joint climate action partnership aimed at developing a more collaborative and coherent approach, within our respective institutional mandates, to working with countries to implement their NDCs and develop their adaptive capacities. We will focus on scaling up low-carbon and climate-resilient investments for sustainable infrastructure, including in particular speeding the energy transition consistent with the Paris Agreement. We will do this by aligning our financial flows with the countries’ pathways to low-carbon and climate-resilient development, by increasing the predictability and ease of access to concessional resources, such as the Green Climate Fund, and by leveraging private finance for climate investments. In addition, the IMF and the World Bank Group will provide technical assistance to countries seeking to implement carbon taxation as an efficient tool for containing emissions.

5. Forced displacement poses a significant challenge to progress on the SDGs, and we have committed to work together on a new humanitarian-development partnership. Concessional financing and support for building institutional capacity for fragile and conflict-affected states are as important as ever. Additionally, we are working to bridge the gap between humanitarian and development assistance by ensuring support to countries hosting large numbers of refugees. Two new facilities are helping to do this: the World Bank’s Global Concessional Financing Facility, part of its Global Crisis Response Platform, and the European Investment Bank’s new Resilience Initiative for EU’s Southern Neighborhood and Western Balkans. Those complement other efforts already in place, such as IDB’s Alliance for Prosperity Plan in the Northern Triangle.

6. In line with the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and the G20 call, MDBs have been individually and collectively implementing several measures to optimize our balance sheets, from exposure exchange agreements that diversify our portfolio concentration to merging and leveraging concessional windows with accumulated equity and increased liquidity. Furthermore, we are stepping up internal revenue and expenditure actions to increase available medium-term capital as part of a Value-for-Money agenda. Given the growing financing demands that the 2030 Agenda entails and the financial capacity limits which many of our institutions are reaching, efforts to optimize capital will continue. These efforts should be complemented by other mechanisms to reinforce MDB resources, including through necessary shareholder support.

7. Going forward, we will redouble our efforts to scale-up financing for development as well as the capacity to achieve the SDGs by leveraging, mobilizing, and catalyzing resources at all levels. To that end, we are stepping up our efforts to further build up our range of instruments.
that share risk in non-sovereign operations with private investors, including syndications, structured finance, mezzanine financing, credit guarantee programs, hedging structures, and equity exposure. Moreover, we are working with our public and private sector clients, helping them create an enabling environment conducive to increased domestic and international investments. Likewise, MDBs and the IMF are expanding our policy guidance and technical assistance to support country efforts to increase their domestic resource mobilization. Furthermore, we are ramping up our support to countries to build data capacity to measure and monitor progress towards their global commitments. To build up a pipeline of well-prepared projects, in recent years, many of our institutions have launched new project preparation facilities. On the capacity building front, MDBs continue to collaborate across a number of joint platforms.

8. The 2030 Agenda is a trillion-dollar one, and official assistance flows will be nowhere near enough to finance it. Meeting the SDGs will require building a financing framework that channels more resources from more sources, particularly the private sector. This requires enhancing existing partnerships and building new ones with the private sector—including institutional investors—to mobilize financing for development. With our country clients in the lead, we reaffirm our commitment as development institutions to deepen and widen our partnerships with both the private and public sectors. We will individually and collectively bring in emerging and existing global, regional, sub-regional and national partner institutions and, together, contribute to the success of the 2030 Agenda, helping countries to leverage the financing and knowledge of the MDBs and the IMF to address their most pressing development challenges and, as such, contribute to achieving the transformative outcomes that the SDGs entail.

 Health

 Global tuberculosis report - 2016
WHO
October 2016 :: 21 pages
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Pdf: http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/250441/1/9789241565394-eng.pdf?ua=1

Executive Summary

Background
The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for 2030 were adopted by the United Nations in 2015. One of the targets is to end the global TB epidemic. The WHO End TB Strategy, approved by the World Health Assembly in 2014, calls for a 90% reduction in TB deaths and an 80% reduction in the TB incidence rate by 2030, compared with 2015.

This global TB report is the first to be produced in the era of the SDGs and the End TB Strategy. It provides an assessment of the TB epidemic and progress in TB diagnosis, treatment and prevention efforts, as well as an overview of TB-specific financing and research. It also discusses the broader agenda of universal health coverage, social protection and other SDGs that have an impact on health. Data were available for 202 countries and territories that account for over 99% of the world's population and TB cases.

Main findings and messages

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Status of the TB epidemic and MDR-TB crisis The TB epidemic is larger than previously estimated, reflecting new surveillance and survey data from India. However, the number of TB deaths and the TB incidence rate continue to fall globally and in India.

In 2015, there were an estimated 10.4 million new (incident) TB cases worldwide, of which 5.9 million (56%) were among men, 3.5 million (34%) among women and 1.0 million (10%) among children. People living with HIV accounted for 1.2 million (11%) of all new TB cases.

Six countries accounted for 60% of the new cases: India, Indonesia, China, Nigeria, Pakistan and South Africa. Global progress depends on major advances in TB prevention and care in these countries. Worldwide, the rate of decline in TB incidence remained at only 1.5% from 2014 to 2015. This needs to accelerate to a 4–5% annual decline by 2020 to reach the first milestones of the End TB Strategy.

In 2015, there were an estimated 480,000 new cases of multidrug-resistant TB (MDR-TB) and an additional 100,000 people with rifampicin-resistant TB (RR-TB) who were also newly eligible for MDR-TB treatment. India, China and the Russian Federation accounted for 45% of the combined total of 580 000 cases.

There were an estimated 1.4 million TB deaths in 2015, and an additional 0.4 million deaths resulting from TB disease among people living with HIV. Although the number of TB deaths fell by 22% between 2000 and 2015, TB remained one of the top 10 causes of death worldwide in 2015.

**TB care and prevention results**

TB treatment averted 49 million deaths globally between 2000 and 2015, but important diagnostic and treatment gaps persist.

In 2015, 6.1 million new TB cases were notified to national authorities and reported to WHO. Notified TB cases increased from 2013–2015, mostly due to a 34% increase in notifications in India. However, globally there was a 4.3 million gap between incident and notified cases, with India, Indonesia and Nigeria accounting for almost half of this gap.

The crisis of MDR-TB detection and treatment continues. In 2015, of the estimated 580,000 people newly eligible for MDR-TB treatment, only 125 000 (20%) were enrolled. Five countries accounted for more than 60% of the gap: India, China, the Russian Federation, Indonesia and Nigeria. Globally, the MDR-TB treatment success rate was 52% in 2013.

In 2015, 55% of notified TB patients had a documented HIV test result. The proportion of HIV-positive TB patients on antiretroviral therapy (ART) was 78%.

Access to TB preventive treatment needs to be expanded. A total of 910,000 people living with HIV were started on such treatment in 2015, as well as 87,000 children under five (7% of those eligible).

**TB financing, universal health coverage, social protection and social determinants**

US$ 6.6 billion was available for TB care and prevention in low and middle-income countries in 2016, of which 84% was from domestic sources. Nonetheless, national TB programmes (NTPs) in low-income countries continue to rely on international donors for almost 90% of their funding.
financing. Investments in low and middle-income countries fall almost US$ 2 billion short of the US$ 8.3 billion needed in 2016. This annual gap will widen to US$ 6 billion in 2020 if current funding levels do not increase.

Improvements are also needed in overall health financing. Government expenditures on health in 2014 were less than the WHO benchmark of at least 6% of gross domestic product (GDP) in 150 countries. Out-of-pocket expenditures exceeded 45% of total health expenditures in 46 countries, including 11 of the 30 high TB burden countries.

**TB research and development**

Despite some progress in the pipeline for new diagnostics, drugs and regimens, and vaccines, TB research and development remains severely underfunded...

Media Release

WHO report warns global actions and investments to end tuberculosis epidemic are falling far short

News release

13 October 2016 | GENEVA / WASHINGTON - New data published by WHO in its 2016 "Global Tuberculosis Report" show that countries need to move much faster to prevent, detect, and treat the disease if they are to meet global targets.

Governments have agreed on targets to end the tuberculosis (TB) epidemic both at the World Health Assembly and at the United Nations General Assembly within the context of the Sustainable Development Goals. They include a 90% reduction in TB deaths and an 80% reduction in TB cases by 2030 compared with 2015.

"We face an uphill battle to reach the global targets for tuberculosis," said Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director General. "There must be a massive scale-up of efforts, or countries will continue to run behind this deadly epidemic and these ambitious goals will be missed."...

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**Over 300,000 children under five died from diarrhoeal diseases linked to limited access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene in 2015 - UNICEF**

NEW YORK, 14 October 2016

With cholera spreading fast in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti, and with a new outbreak in war-ravaged Yemen, UNICEF urges children, families and communities to make washing hands with soap a habit to help prevent the spread of diseases.

On the eve of Global Handwashing Day, UNICEF says that, in 2015, more than 300,000 children under the age of five died globally from diarrhoeal infections linked to poor access to safe drinking water and sanitation – a rate of more than 800 per day. Yet many of these deaths could have been prevented through the simple act of handwashing with soap...

Facts on Handwashing:
- 1 gram of faeces contains 100 billion bacteria.
- Approximately 1 in 5 people globally wash their hands after using the toilet.
- Each year, 1.7 million children do not live to celebrate their fifth birthday because of diarrhoea and pneumonia.
- When children wash their hands with soap after going to the toilet or before eating, they :
reduce their risk of getting diarrhoea by more than 40 per cent.
- Acute respiratory infections like pneumonia are the leading cause of death in children under
the age of five.
- Evidence suggests that handwashing with soap after using the toilet and before eating could
reduce the pneumonia infection rate among children by around a quarter.

Emergencies / Disasters

**WHO Grade 3 Emergencies** [to 15 October 2016]
- Iraq - No new announcements identified.
- Nigeria - No new announcements identified.
- South Sudan - No new announcements identified.
- The Syrian Arab Republic - No new announcements identified.
- Yemen:: The silent impact of war in Yemen - 10 October 2016

**WHO Grade 2 Emergencies** [to 15 October 2016]
- Cameroon - No new announcements identified.
- Central African Republic - No new announcements identified.
- Democratic Republic of the Congo:: Health assessment on cholera in Mai-Ndombe health province in French 6 October 2016
- Ethiopia - No new announcements identified.
- Libya - No new announcements identified.
- Myanmar - No new announcements identified.
- Niger - No new announcements identified.
- Ukraine - - No new announcements identified.

**UN OCHA - Emergencies**
The UN and its humanitarian partners are currently responding to three ‘L3’ emergencies. This
is the global humanitarian system’s classification for the response to the most severe, large-
scale humanitarian crises.
- Iraq - No new announcements identified.
- Syria:: Turkey | Syria: Flash Update - Developments in Aleppo (as of 13 October 2016) [EN/AR]
14 Oct 2016
:: Statement attributable to Hanaa Singer, UNICEF Representative in Syria, on children killed
in Aleppo [EN/AR]
:: Syria Crisis: CERF-funded response 2011-2016 (as of 07 October 2016)
- Yemen:: Yemen: Cholera Outbreak Situation Report No. 1 (as of 13 October 2016)
:: Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan - Funding Status (As of 11 October 2016) [EN/AR]
:: Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator,
Stephen O’Brien: Statement on Yemen, 8 October 2016 [EN/AR]

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World Disasters Report
Resilience: saving lives today, investing for tomorrow
IFRC
October 2016 :: 282 pages

Press Release
World Disasters Report 2016 - Resilience: Saving lives today, investing for tomorrow
13 October 2016
New report calls for a major shift in international aid financing
Geneva/Dakar, 13 October 2016 - A lack of global investment in strengthening community resilience is leaving tens of millions of people exposed to predictable, preventable and catastrophic disaster risks, stresses the World Disasters Report 2016, launched today by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).

According to the report, despite broad recognition that investing in resilience before a disaster can save lives and money, only 40 cents in every 100 US dollars spent on international aid is invested in preparedness and measures to reduce disaster risk.

"Investing in resilience is the best method we have for protecting the lives, livelihoods and dignity of the world’s most vulnerable people," said IFRC Secretary General, Elhadj As Sy. “Business as usual is no longer acceptable. It will only lead to more silent suffering and deeper poverty.

“We must work along a continuum – of preparedness, early response, recovery and resilience building.”

The World Disasters Report 2016 paints a picture of a world facing complex challenges that cannot be comprehensively addressed through post-disaster response or emergency interventions.

Forced migration is at its highest level since the Second World War. The number and scale of disasters triggered by natural hazards are increasing. Globalization and urbanization means outbreaks and other health crises are harder to contain, and the impact of climate change is taking its toll – 2015 was the hottest year on record with 32 major droughts, double the ten-year average.

Between 1991 and 2010, the impact of recorded disaster events in poor countries resulted in over 840 billion US dollars of financial losses. Yet, over the same period, only 0.4 per cent of the 3.3 trillion US dollars spent on aid was dedicated to prevention or risk reduction.

“It is clear that something must change,” said co-editors David Sanderson and Anshu Sharma. “But responding to today’s humanitarian challenges is not just a question of finance. We must invest in solutions and partnerships that produce future resilience – livelihoods and social cohesion, health and psychosocial well-being, supporting communities to withstand future shocks and adversity.”
From forecast-based financing and preparedness activities in Bangladesh to seed bank building in Senegal, the World Disasters Report outlines numerous examples showing how more resilient communities cope better with risks and hazards.

Building on the report, the IFRC is also calling on partners to support and join the One Billion Coalition for Resilience – a global initiative to support communities around the world to take action to strengthen their safety, health and well-being. Launched in late 2015, the 1BC seeks to build a broad coalition of partners from across all sectors to support 1 billion people by 2025.

:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch
We will monitor a growing number of relevant agency, government and IGO organizations for key media releases, announcements, research, and initiatives. Generally, we will focus on regional or global level content recognizing limitation of space, meaning country-specific coverage is limited. Please suggest additional organizations to monitor.

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly
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Selected Press Releases/Meetings Coverage
14 October 2016
DSG/SM/1023-DEV/3250
Elevated Risk of Cholera Makes New United Nations Approach to Epidemic ‘All the More Urgent’, Deputy Secretary-General Tells Member States

14 October 2016
DEV/3248
United Nations Haiti Cholera Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund Launched to Help Country Overcome Epidemic, Build Sound Systems, Strengthen Resilience
United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has established the United Nations Haiti Cholera Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund to finance critical priorities of the new United Nations system approach to cholera in Haiti designed to support the country in overcoming the epidemic and building sound water, sanitation and health systems.

14 October 2016
GA/SHC/4170
Child Migrants, Refugees Especially Vulnerable to Violence during Humanitarian Crises, Speakers Tell Third Committee, as Debate on Children Concludes
The Third Committee (Social, Humanitarian and Cultural) concluded its general discussion on the rights of children today, with delegates describing progress and challenges on a range of issues pertaining to child health, education and protection.

13 October 2016
GA/SHC/4169
Urgent Action Needed to Protect Children from Forced Labour, Other Forms of Exploitation, Special Mandate Holders Tell Third Committee
The migration crisis, forced marriage, forced labour and sexual slavery were only some of the problems facing the children around the world, speakers told the Third Committee (Social, Humanitarian and Cultural) today as it moved into its second day of discussion on the rights of children.
13 October 2016
GA/11838

General Assembly Appoints António Guterres of Portugal, Former High Commissioner for Refugees, as Ninth United Nations Secretary-General

On the heels of what had been hailed as a historically transparent and inclusive selection process, the General Assembly this morning, for the ninth time since 1946, chose its next Secretary-General, appointing by acclamation António Guterres of Portugal for a five-year term starting 1 January 2017.
13 October 2016
SC/12551

The Security Council this morning renewed the mandate of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) without major changes in its configuration or objectives for six months, until 15 April 2017.
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Urgent Action Needed to Address Impact of Conflict on Children, Ensure None Left Behind, Special Representatives Tell Third Committee

Urgent action would be required of Member States, the United Nations system and all stakeholders in order to avoid losing future generations and to address the devastating impact of conflict and other crises on children, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict told the Third Committee (Social, Humanitarian and Cultural) today.
12 October 2016
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UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 15 October 2016]
Selected Press Releases – “TOP NEWS”
Press briefing note on Viet Nam, CAR and Burundi
UN Human Rights Chief urges Viet Nam to halt crackdown on bloggers and rights defenders

UN report urges Liberia to act on rape

Ethiopia / South Sudan: Bring back the missing abducted children from the Gambella region

Outrageous attack on funeral makes international investigation into Yemen even more vital – Zeid

UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances issues findings on Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Colombia

Ethiopia: UN experts call for international commission to help investigate systematic violence against protesters

“Stop denying the cultural heritage of others,” UN expert says after first fact-finding visit to Serbia and Kosovo*

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRC/Pages/CRCIndex.aspx
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Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx
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Ethiopia / South Sudan: Bring back the missing abducted children from the Gambella region

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 15 October 2016]
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Daunting Task to Reduce Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict Tells General Assembly

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Health/Pages/SRRightHealthIndex.aspx
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Habitat III: “Cities for people, with people”, UN rights experts urge

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Open statement Habitat III: Shift towards a New Urban Agenda based on human rights
SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 15 October 2016]
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UN OCHA [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.unocha.org/media-resources/press-releases
Selected Press Releases
14 Oct 2016
Myanmar: UN Humanitarian Chief calls for strengthened humanitarian action to support the people of Myanmar
Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs Country: Myanmar (Yangon, 14 October 2016) - Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Stephen O'Brien, concluded his three-day mission to Myanmar today. His trip took place shortly after the outbreak of violence in the northern part of Rakhine State and at a time of escalating armed clashes in Kachin. He expressed deep concern regarding recent developments and called for all sides to find...

14 Oct 2016
Central African Republic: Joint press release of the Minister of Social Affairs and National Reconciliation and the Humanitarian Coordinator on the upsurge of violence in Kaga Bandoro

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Central African Republic: The Humanitarian Coordinator Condemns the Relapse of Violence In Kaga Bandoro
Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for the Central African Republic Country: Central African Republic Bangui, 12 October 2016 – The acting Humanitarian Coordinator for the Central African Republic, Mohamed Malick Fall, strongly condemns the relapse of violence that hit Kaga Bandoro, Nana Gribizi Prefecture, on Wednesday 12th October.

11 Oct 2016
World: UN Humanitarian Chief Opens Second Regional Consultative Group on Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination for Asia and The Pacific
Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs Country: World (Bangkok, 11 October 2016): Humanitarian, civilian and military actors today came together to find joint solutions to improve the response to the natural disasters that affect Asia-Pacific. Representatives from militaries from across the region are meeting with humanitarian counterparts at the Second Session of the Regional Consultative Group on Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination for Asia and the Pacific, to...

10 Oct 2016
Haiti: Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Stephen O'Brien Statement on urgent appeal for Haiti following Hurricane
Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs Country: Haiti Hurricane Matthew has precipitated the worst humanitarian crisis in Haiti since the 2010 earthquake. Since the Category 4 storm rolled across south-western Haiti with winds of 235 kilometres per hour on 4 October, Haitian authorities have reported a death toll of well over 300. Hundreds
more people are feared dead as rescue workers access more areas. The widespread devastation, flooding, displacement and crop loss...

UNICEF [to 17 September 2016]
http://www.unicef.org/media/media_89711.html
DAMASCUS, 14 October 2016
Statement attributable to Hanaa Singer, UNICEF Representative in Syria, on children killed in Aleppo

“Yesterday’s attack near the Hatem Al Taai primary school in Aleppo city killed four children and injured three others. The children were on their way to school in the morning hours when mortars hit the area.

Over 300,000 children under five died from diarrhoeal diseases linked to limited access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene in 2015 - UNICEF

NEW YORK, 14 October 2016 – With cholera spreading fast in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti, and with a new outbreak in war-ravaged Yemen, UNICEF urges children, families and communities to make washing hands with soap a habit to help prevent the spread of diseases.

Five in six children under two not getting enough nutrition for growth and brain development - UNICEF

NEW YORK, 14 October 2016 – Five in six children under two years old are not fed enough nutritious food for their age, depriving them of the energy and nutrients they need at the most critical time in their physical and cognitive development, according to a new UNICEF report.

UNICEF condemns attacks on teachers in Kaga-Bandoro, Central African Republic

BANGUI, Central African Republic, 13 October 2016 - Three teachers in training and the director of the Regional Pedagogical Centre were violently killed in Kaga-Bandoro on Wednesday the 12th of October, according to accounts by the Ministry of Education. The Vice President of the Association of Parents was also killed.

Statement on Calais camp attributed to UNICEF special coordinator for the Refugee and Migrant crisis in Europe Marie-Pierre Poirier

GENEVA, 12 October 2016 – The commitment by the UK and France to find urgent solutions for all the hundreds of refugee and migrant children languishing in Calais for months, could not come a minute too soon, said Marie Pierre Poirier, UNICEF Special Coordinator for the Refugee and Migrant Crisis in Europe.

Statement attributable to Hanaa Singer, UNICEF Representative in Syria, on attack on a school in Daraa

DAMASCUS, 12 October 2016 - “UNICEF deplores yesterday’s attack on the “That al-Netaqueen” primary school in the city of Daraa which killed five school children, aged between four and 16, and left 15 other children injured. The conflict in Syria has plummeted to such lows that children are now risking their lives just to attend school.

Massive immunization campaign to reach 41 million children in Nigeria and region to contain polio outbreak

DAKAR, Senegal – 11 October 2016 – A major health campaign is underway in the Lake Chad
Basin area to vaccinate over 41 million children against polio to contain the recent outbreak of the disease in north-east Nigeria.

One week after Hurricane Matthew, at least 300 schools damaged in Haiti, over 100,000 children miss out on learning – UNICEF
PORT-AU-PRINCE/NEW YORK, 10 October 2016 – One week after Hurricane Matthew slammed into Haiti, and as schools re-open across the country, more than 100,000 children will be missing out on learning after their schools were either damaged or converted into shelters.

Race against time to prevent spread of waterborne diseases in hurricane-hit areas as rainy season starts in Haiti – UNICEF
PORT-AU-PRINCE/NEW YORK, 8 October 2016 – With the start of the rainy season, and as the death toll from Hurricane Matthew continues to rise, UNICEF is sounding the alarm on the threat of waterborne diseases to children living in the worst-affected areas.

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.unhcr.org/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/search?page=&comid=4a0950336&cid=49aea93a7d&scid=49aea93a40
Selected Press Releases
7 Oct 2016
UNHCR warmly congratulates President Manuel Santos of Colombia on his receipt of the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 15 October 2016]
10/07/16
IOM to Issue Urgent Appeal to Confront Unfolding Migration Crisis in Horn of Africa
Switzerland - IOM is preparing an urgent appeal to donors in response to a migration/refugee emergency unfolding in Yemen and Djibouti, impacting across the Horn of Africa

IOM Haiti Truck Convoy Reaches Areas Worst Hit by Hurricane Matthew
10/14/16
Haiti - A 26-truck IOM convoy carrying 28,500 NFI kits has reached the areas worst hit by the hurricane.

IOM Iraq Prepares to Build Emergency Sites for Expected Mosul Displacement
10/14/16
Iraq – IOM has agreed to build displacement sites for people expected to flee impending conflict in Mosul.

Massive Counter-Trafficking Programme Launched in Afghanistan
10/14/16
Afghanistan - As the Afghanistan government prepares tough and comprehensive legislation to crack down on human trafficking, IOM and USAID have launched a USD 10 million, multi-year project to help to end the suffering of men, women and children subjected to forced labour and...
Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 317,209; Deaths at Sea: 3,632
10/14/16
Switzerland - IOM reports that 317,209 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea in 2016 through 12 October, arriving mostly in Greece and Italy. Some 168,427 people have arrived in Greece and 144,950 in Italy during 2016. The total is well below the number of arrivals at this...

Agencies Complete Biometric Registration of Nearly 40,000 in Juba Displacement Sites
10/14/16
South Sudan - Over 38,800 internally displaced persons (IDPs) are sheltering at the UN protection of civilian (PoC) sites in Juba, the capital of South Sudan, according to a recently completed biometric registration exercise.

WHO & Regional Offices [to 15 October 2016]
Better working conditions needed for midwives
13 October 2016 – WHO and partners are calling for an end to the discrimination, harassment and lack of respect that hinder midwives’ ability to provide quality care to women and newborns. Based on findings from 2400 midwives in 93 countries, the first global survey of midwifery personnel reveals that too often midwives are constrained by unequal power relations and face cultural isolation, unsafe accommodation, and low salaries.
:: Read the news release
:: Read the report

:: WHO Regional Offices
Selected Press Releases, Announcements
WHO African Region AFRO
:: Response to rift valley fever outbreak in Niger gains momentum
14 October 2016, Brazzaville/Niamey – The World Health Organization has deployed a team of experts to Niger in an effort to strengthen the coordination of response and stop the spread of the rift valley fever (RVF) that is affecting people and livestock in a district in the north-western part of the country.

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO
:: PAHO/WHO issues appeal for $9 million for emergency health operations in Haiti (10/14/2016)
:: PAHO/WHO anticipates cholera outbreaks, sets up field operations in Haiti towns affected by Hurricane Matthew (10/12/2016)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO
:: Accelerate efforts to End TB 13 October 2016

WHO European Region EURO
:: Ministers endorse joint statement on climate change and health at high-level meeting of small countries 12-10-2016
:: World Mental Health Day – focus on depression 10-10-2016

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO
:: Agreements aim to develop the health sector in Yemen 13 October 2016

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:: 11th Revision of the International Classification of Diseases 12 October 2016
:: The silent impact of war in Yemen

WHO Western Pacific Region
:: Walking the talk: WHO takes a bold step to stop the sale and service of sugary drinks in its cafeteria 14 October 2016
:: WHO Regional Committee for the Western Pacific notes progress on healthy newborn infants, antimicrobial resistance and essential medicines
  MANILA, 13 October 2016 – On the fourth day of its annual meeting, the WHO Regional Committee for the Western Pacific updated participants on progress made in the Region with regard to reducing child deaths, preparing Member States to respond to antimicrobial resistance (AMR), and improving access to quality medicines.
:: Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals: Member States commit to leave no one behind
MANILA, 12 October 2016

UNAIDS [to 15 October 2016]
Press statement
Empowering girls advances HIV response
  GENEVA, 11 October 2016—On this International Day of the Girl Child, UNAIDS strongly supports the call by the United Nations for better age- and sex-specific data that can be used to improve the health and well-being of girls aged 10–19 years old.
  Discrimination and disadvantage have held back the potential of girls and women for centuries. This generation of girls—an estimated 1.1 billion globally in 2016, the largest in history—has the power to change the world, but only if they can advance their knowledge, agency and freedom to make their own life-defining choices and reach their full potential.
  “Girls count! We need to know what counts for girls, to make sure that they start life HIV-free, stay HIV-free or remain AIDS-free,” said UNAIDS Executive Director, Michel Sidibé...

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 15 October 2016]
14 October 2016
Press Release
UNFPA on standby to provide urgent psychosocial support, reproductive health care to rescued Chibok girls
  UNITED NATIONS, New York/ABUJA — UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, welcomes the release of 21 Chibok schoolgirls who were captured by Boko Haram. UNFPA commends the Nigerian Government’s commitment to the...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/presscenter.html
Selected Press Releases/Announcements
No new digest content identified.
**UN Division for Sustainable Development** [to 15 October 2016]
http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/
No new digest content identified.

**UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)** [to 15 October 2016]
http://unsdsn.org/news/
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**UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division** [to 15 October 2016]
http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm
http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm
http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/
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**UNEP** United Nations Environment Programme [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.unep.org/newscentre/?doctypeID=1

*Selected Press Releases/Announcements*
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*Countries agree to curb powerful greenhouse gases in largest climate breakthrough since Paris*
- Reducing emissions of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) under the Kigali Amendment can prevent up to 0.5°C of global warming, while continuing to protect the ozone layer
- HFCs consumption to be reduced in 2019 in developed countries and frozen in 2024 and 2028 in developing countries
[See Week in Review above for more detail]

**UNISDR** UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.unisdr.org/archive
13 Oct 2016

*IDDR2016: Ban Ki-moon says new disaster mortality report a "damning indictment of inequality"*
Analysis of twenty years of data on 7,056 disaster events in which 1.35 million people died, shows that earthquakes and tsunamis are the biggest killers overall, followed closely by climate-related disasters, and 90% of disaster deaths occur in low and middle-income countries

**UN DESA** United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 15 October 2016]
14 October 2016, New York

*Role of governments and stakeholders in mobilizing ICTs for sustainable development*
Panellists from the World Bank, Colombia University, Microsoft, Artificial Intelligence in Medical Epidemiology (AIME) and Socrata came together for a Second Committee side event on 13 October organized by UN DESA’s Division for Public Administration and Development Management, to discuss the role ICTs can play for achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
Speakers underlined that ICT have a huge potential to help accelerate progress towards the SDGs, even though they are not a short cut to development. They shared examples showing that technology can save lives and protect people, countries and their economies. One such example relates to predicting future disease outbreaks by compiling multiple variable through ICT. This can allow more proactive health measures.

SDGs also require sustainable public services delivery. ICTs can allow reliable service delivery as well as lower transaction costs. Measures can be implemented in this area without waiting for everyone to have access to smart phones for example.

At the same time, while digital technologies have spread rapidly globally, the broader development benefits from using these technologies have lagged behind. To get the most out of the digital revolution, countries need to work not only through ICT policies, but also by targeting "analog complements", as highlighted by a recent World Bank report...

UNESCO [to 15 October 2016]
http://en.unesco.org/news
Selected Press Releases/News
15 October 2016
UNESCO appoints international Jury of the UNESCO/Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah Prize for Digital Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities

Statement by the Director-General of UNESCO on the Old City of Jerusalem and its Walls, a UNESCO World Heritage site
Paris, 14 October—As I have stated on many occasions, and most recently during the 40th session of the World Heritage Committee, Jerusalem is the sacred city of the three monotheistic religions - Judaism, Christianity and Islam. It is in recognition of this exceptional diversity, and this cultural and religious coexistence, that it was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list. “The heritage of Jerusalem is indivisible, and each of its communities has a right to the explicit recognition of their history and relationship with the city. To deny, conceal or erase any of the Jewish, Christian or Muslim traditions undermines the integrity of the site, and runs counter to the reasons that justified its inscription on the UNESCO World Heritage list.

“Nowhere more than in Jerusalem do Jewish, Christian and Muslim heritage and traditions share space and interweave to the point that they support each other. These cultural and spiritual traditions build on texts and references, known by all, that are an intrinsic part of the identities and history of peoples. In the Torah, Jerusalem is the capital of King David, where Solomon built the Temple and placed the Ark of the Covenant. In the Bible, Jerusalem is the city of the passion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the Quran, Jerusalem is the third holiest site in Islam, where Muhammad arrived after his night journey from Al Haram Mosq (Mecca) to Al Aqsa.

“In this microcosm of humanity’s spiritual diversity, different peoples worship the same places, sometimes under different names. The recognition, use of and respect for these names is paramount. The Al Aqsa Mosque / Al-Haram al-Sharif, the sacred shrine of Muslims, is also the Har HaBayit – or Temple Mount – whose Western Wall is the holiest place in Judaism, a few steps away from the Saint Sepulcher and the Mount of Olives revered by Christians.

“The outstanding universal value of the City, and the reason why it was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list, lies in this synthesis, which is an appeal for dialogue, not
confrontation. We have a collective responsibility to strengthen this cultural and religious coexistence, by the power of acts and also by the power of words. This requirement is stronger than ever, to bridge the divisions that harm the multi-faith character of the Old City.

“When these divisions carry over into UNESCO, an Organization dedicated to dialogue and peace, they prevent us from carrying out our mission. UNESCO’s responsibility is to foster this spirit of tolerance and respect for history, and this is my absolute daily determination as Director-General, with all Member States. I am committed to this under all circumstances, because this is our raison d’être -- to recall that we are one single humanity and that tolerance is the only way forward in a world of diversity.”

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 15 October 2016]
14/10/2016 –
Experts gather in Vienna to promote global cooperation against transnational organized crime

13/10/2016 –
UNODC presents campaign to fight migrant smuggling to the AIAMP Assembly of the Ibero-American Association of Public Prosecutors Offices (AIAMP).

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 15 October 2016]
http://unhabitat.org/media-centre/news/
Posted October 15, 2016
Young people create Youth DeclaRACTION for New Urban Agenda

Quito, 14 October 2016 – Young people participating at the YouHab Conference have gathered in Quito, Ecuador, to develop a “DeclaRACTION” to seek local authorities’ commitment to youths within the framework of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) and strengthen...

Medellin Collaboration expands commitment to resilience beyond 4,000 cities

Nairobi, 13 October 2016 – It has been twenty-seven years since the United Nations General Assembly felt the urgency to call for an International Day for Disaster Reduction; established with the long-term objective of raising global awareness...

Posted October 14, 2016

Indigenous peoples call for a seat at the urban table

Otavalo, Ecuador, 13 October 2016 – With just days to go until the opening of the Habitat III conference in Quito, stakeholders have come to together to discuss the importance of including indigenous peoples, and especially youth...

Posted October 13, 2016

UN-Habitat Goes Global with New Arabic Website

Cairo, 12 October 2016 – Today UN-Habitat launches its global website in Arabic, ar.unhabitat.org, as well as two new social media channels on Twitter and Facebook reporting globally on UN-Habitat’s updates and activities in Arabic. Posted October 12, 2016

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 15 October 2016]
World Food Day highlights that climate is changing and that food and agriculture must too

The World Food Day 2016 slogan: Climate is changing. Food and agriculture must too underscores the fact that to feed a global population expected to reach more than 9 billion by 2050, humanity needs to produce more food, but in ways that use up less natural resources and that drastically reduce loss and waste.

Feeding the cities of the future

All cities, big and small, can and must help build the sustainable, resilient food systems of the future, FAO Director-General José Graziano da Silva stressed during the second meeting of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, a collaboration between mayors of 130 cities from around the world.

Italy and FAO team up to promote agricultural heritage systems in Italy and other European areas

The Italian Ministry for Agricultural Food and Forestry Policies and FAO will work closely together to identify and increase the number of ecosystems that play an important role as repositories of agricultural biodiversity, traditional knowledge, cultural heritage and landscapes.

Parliaments must work together in the final stretch against hunger

Building strong alliances among legislators across the world is vital to making headway on hunger eradication, FAO Director-General Jose Graziano da Silva said on Monday, as he underscored the agency's continued support to fostering global exchanges between lawmakers.

 Putting indigenous peoples’ rights at the center of development

Indigenous Peoples’ right to give or withhold consent to development projects that affect their natural resources and ways of life has become stronger thanks to a new manual that guides development actors in designing and implementing such projects.

ILO  International Labour Organization [to 15 October 2016]

Rural employment

ILO: 52 million people working in rural areas in Latin America and the Caribbean

14 October 2016

Greater efforts required to improve working conditions in the countryside, a new ILO regional report on rural employment says.

Foreign investment

ILO and WAIPA sign agreement to assist IPAs in attracting sustainable FDI that promotes decent jobs

14 October 2016

Business and persons with disabilities

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Two more companies sign the Global Business and Disability Charter
12 October 2016
Annual meeting of the ILO Global Business & Disability Network welcomes new Charter signatories and discusses future of work issues.

Freedom of Association
Towards Trade Union Unity in Uganda
12 October 2016
With the support of the ILO's Bureau for Workers' Activities (ACTRAV), 42 unions adopted a resolution to enhance trade union unity in Uganda.

Press release
IFC, ILO join forces to support entrepreneurship, boost youth employment in MENA
10 October 2016
Partnership aims to develop policies that support entrepreneurship, ensure youth have skills that are required by the market, and encourage more young people to become entrepreneurs.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.icao.int/Newsroom/Pages/pressrelease.aspx
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IMO International Maritime Organization [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx
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WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 15 October 2016]
http://public.wmo.int/en/search?sort_by=changed&f[0]=type%3Anews
Publish Date: 14 October 2016
World Food Day: Focus on Climate Change
News
The global message for World Food Day 2016 on 16 October is “Climate is changing. Food and agriculture must too.” Food security is increasingly challenged by climate change, which is causing higher temperatures, more unpredictable growing seasons and more frequent weather-related disasters.

Publish Date: 13 October 2016
International Day for Disaster Reduction: Live to Tell
News
Live to Tell is the theme of this year’s International Day for Disaster Reduction, held every 13 October. This year marks the launch of the new “Sendai Seven” campaign, an advocacy initiative to encourage implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction with the goal of saving lives, reducing disaster losses and improving management of disaster risk. The World Meteorological Organization supports the Sendai Seven campaign as a vital part of the international agenda to reduce disasters, curb losses from extreme weather linked to climate change and contribute to sustainable...
UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 15 October 2016]
Friday, 14 October 2016
UNIDO marks World Standards Day
VIENNA – The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), together with its partners worldwide, today marks World Standards Day. The aim of World Standards Day is to raise awareness among...

EU Caribbean Forum pledge EUR 11 million for Caribbean Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
BRIDGETOWN, 10 October 2016 - The European Union (EU) and the Caribbean Forum will contribute EUR 11 million to support the institutional capacity-building and technical activities of the Caribbean Centre for Renewable Energy and...

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.iso.org/iso/home/news_index.htm
15 October 2016
ISO standards support World Food Day
Climate is changing. Food and agriculture must too" reads the message of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) on World Food Day celebrated on 16th October

14 October 2016
ISO publishes powerful new tool to combat bribery
A new business tool designed to fight bribery is now published. ISO 37001 is the first international anti-bribery management system standard designed to help organizations combat bribery risk in their own operations and throughout their global value chains. It has the potential to reduce corporate risk and costs related to bribery by providing a manageable business framework for preventing, detecting and addressing bribery.

11 October 2016
The price is right
In an increasingly price-conscious world, being able to compare prices of equivalent products in order to make an informed choice is a consumer right. But with the explosion of pre-packaged goods in different types of packaging and product sizes that has hit our shop shelves, making that choice is no easy task. To get around this, an ISO standard is being developed that aims to improve the way quantities are displayed.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 15 October 2016]
http://media.unwto.org/news
No new digest content identified.

ITU International Telecommunications Union [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.itu.int/en/mediacentre/Pages/default.aspx
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ITU standardises universal charger for laptops
- Eco-friendly charger to improve energy efficiency and reduce e-waste

WIPO  World Intellectual Property Organization [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/
Oct 11, 2016 PR/2016/797
Member States Close Assemblies Meetings with Agreement to Expand External Network by Opening Two New WIPO Offices in Africa
  Member states agreed to expand a network of overseas offices that promote WIPO services and cooperation around the world, ending the 2016 Assemblies meetings by approving new external offices in Algeria and Nigeria while agreeing to continue discussions on the opening four other offices by end of 2019.

CBD  Convention on Biological Diversity [to 15 October 2016]
14 October 2016
Message from the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity on the occasion of World Food Day
Nagoya Protocol to the Convention on Biological Diversity celebrates two-year anniversary of entry into force
  14 October 2016 – This week marks the two-year anniversary of the entry into force of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

USAID  [to 15 October 2016]
October 13, 2016
USAID Announces $12 million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for Hurricane Matthew Response
  The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) today announced more than $12 million in additional humanitarian assistance to help communities affected by Hurricane Matthew. With this funding, the United States is providing nearly $14 million for immediate Hurricane Matthew relief efforts in Haiti, Jamaica, and The Bahamas.

U.S. Unveils New Impacts Against Global Poverty and Malnutrition and Outlines Five-year Strategy to Attack World Hunger
October 13, 2016
  Today as leaders and experts from around the world gather in Des Moines, Iowa, for the annual World Food Prize, the U.S. Agency for International Development announced impressive progress toward achieving the goals of Feed the Future, the U.S. Government’s global hunger and food security initiative. The initiative’s annual progress report notes that since the start of the initiative, poverty has dropped up to 36 percent in many areas where Feed the Future works and child stunting -- a measure of malnutrition -- has dropped by as much as 40 percent.
USAID Funds New Innovations to Fight Future Disease Outbreaks
October 12, 2016
The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) today announced $3.3 million for five more winners of the Combating Zika and Future Threats Grand Challenge, bringing the total investment to $30 million. From unmanned aerial vehicles delivering critical medical supplies in remote areas to the use of big data and machine learning to prevent future disease outbreaks, innovators across the globe are responding with solutions to better address and manage outbreaks of Zika and other infectious diseases.

USAID Awards More Than $6 Million for Innovative Approaches to Fighting Extreme Poverty
October 12, 2016
12 Organizations Supported Through the Development Innovation Ventures Program
The U.S. Agency for International Development’s (USAID) U.S. Global Development Lab has announced $6.2 million in new grants to 12 organizations from around the world. The awards are funded through the Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) program, an open innovation fund that sources, tests, and scales breakthrough ideas that address global development challenges.

Statement by USAID Administrator Gayle Smith on International Day of the Girl Child
October 11, 2016
Today, on International Day of the Girl Child, we celebrate girls’ unique contributions to our societies and reflect on the challenges they continue to face around the world. This year’s theme - Girls' Progress = Goals' Progress: A Global Girl Data Movement - reminds us that gathering gender-sensitive data is critical to achieving gender equality. That means it's critical to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, too.

Statement by USAID Administrator Gayle Smith on Escalating Humanitarian Response to Hurricane Matthew
October 8, 2016
As countries throughout the Caribbean and humanitarian agencies on the ground begin to assess casualties and damage caused by Hurricane Matthew, USAID joins millions of Americans and people around the world in expressing our deepest condolences to those who have lost loved ones. The United States is committed to supporting our neighbors in the aftermath of this disaster, and we are working around the clock to save lives and meet urgent needs.

DFID [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development
Selected Press Releases
New ministerial appointment: Lord Bates
Lord Bates has been appointed Minister of State at the Department for International Development.
14 October 2016
DFID and Number 10 Press release
UK Aid and partners launch 'Girls Access to Education' in Sierra Leone
12 October 2016
DFID and FCO Press release
**ECHO** [to 15 October 2016]
10/10/2016
The European Union steps up support for victims of deadly hurricane Matthew
The European Commission has stepped up its support with a further €1.5 million in emergency aid for those most affected by hurricane Matthew in Haiti to cover basic immediate needs. The funding comes in addition to the initial EU humanitarian...

**African Union** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.au.int/en/
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]
October 11, 2016 to October 15, 2016
Extraordinary Summit of the Assembly of the African Union on Maritime Security, Safety and Development

October 13, 2016  |  Press Releases
African Union Commission Chairperson Launches African Union Campaign to Restore the Dignity of Women and to Ensure Accountability in South Sudan

October 12, 2016
African Union commends the private sector for historic launch of the Africa Healthcare Federation

October 10, 2016  |  Press Releases
African Union Signs Agreement on Africa's High-Speed Railway Network

**ASEAN** Association of Southeast Asian Nations  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.asean.org/news
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]
ASEAN moves towards a disaster-resilient ASEAN Community
MANADO, INDONESIA, 13 OCTOBER 2016 — ASEAN Ministers in charge of disaster management along with the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre gathered in Manado, Indonesia from 11 – 13 October for various meetings to solidify efforts towards a disaster-resilient ASEAN Community.

ASEAN establishes Coordinating Centre to address trans-boundary animal and zoonotic diseases
SINGAPORE, 7 October 2016 — In Southeast Asia, meat consumption has almost doubled since the early 1980s, and the demand for livestock products is projected to grow by at least 3.5 percent annually by the year 2020.

**European Commission** [to 15 October 2016]
http://europa.eu/rapid/search-result.htm?query=18&locale=en&page=1
We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives.

No new digest content identified.

**OECD** [to 15 October 2016]

http://www.oecd.org/newsroom/publicationsdocuments/bydate/

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14-October-2016

OECD Secretary-General Angel Gurría presents new OECD studies with economic and social recommendations to Peruvian President Pedro Pablo Kuczynski

Economic and social reforms undertaken over the past two decades have driven Peruvian efforts to achieve sustainable economic growth and important reductions in poverty. Against a context of weak global growth, Peru will need to diversify its economy, boost skills, reinforce productivity across the labour force and unleash the potential of all regions in order to spur more inclusive national growth.

13-October-2016

**Cities will become inequality traps without better housing, transport policies**

Governments should rethink city housing, transport and other urban systems to ensure that fast-growing cities do not become inequality traps, according to a new OECD report showing that a majority of cities have higher levels of inequality than the national average.

10-October-2016

**OECD-FAO-UNODC conference to improve global co-operation in the fight against fisheries crime, 13 October in Paris, France**

Crimes that take place in the fisheries sector cause substantial losses to the global economy, with illegal fishing alone estimated to cost $23 billion annually. This figure does not include the cost of associated criminality and fraud, or the human misery caused by human trafficking and drug smuggling on fishing boats. These crimes too often slip through the net of international, regional and national-level enforcement.

**Organization of American States (OAS)** [to 15 October 2016]


October 13, 2016

**OAS and UNFPA to Cooperate in the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in the Americas**

October 11, 2016

**Letter of the OAS Secretary General to the President of Haiti Jocelerme Privert**

October 11, 2016

**OAS Secretary General Welcomes Resumption of Peace Talks between the Government of Colombia and the ELN**

**Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)** [to 15 October 2016]

[Selected Press Releases, Announcements]

**OIC welcomes UNESCO resolution on Al Aqsa Mosque**

The General Secretariat of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation the adoption by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) of a resolution that acknowledges Al-Aqsa Mosque/Al-Haram Al Sharif to be an exclusively Islamic holy site. The General Secretariat stressed that this resolution was an expression of the condemnation and rejection by the international community of all Israeli occupation policies and actions, designed to cover up historical facts and deny the inalienable political, cultural and religious rights of the Palestinian people in Jerusalem, the capital of the State of Palestine.

15/10/2016

**Final Communiqué of the Executive Committee at the level of Permanent Representatives on the Situation in Syria Especially in the City of Aleppo**

Excerpt

…..4. The meeting condemned the Syrian regime for stepping up military operations and aerial bombing through systematic and arbitrary use of barrel bombs and incendiary materials and heavy bunker-buster bombs in residential areas, continued ground operations across Syria and reported use of chemical weapons, crimes committed against unarmed civilians, particularly in the city of Aleppo, which led to the death and injury of hundreds of civilians and the aggravation of the humanitarian situation in the city. It also condemned the heinous assaults on hospitals, health facilities, water plants, schools, and humanitarian convoys and the continued use of siege and starvation and forced displacement as a tactic of war, which are considered as war crimes for which the Syrian regime must be held accountable and the Russian Federation and other states supporting the regime must be held responsible for the continuation of these violations, as such massacres and crimes constitute serious violations of the UN Charter, the OIC Charter, the international law and international humanitarian law.

.5. The meeting stressed the need for the Security Council to assume its responsibilities under the UN Charter, through the implementation of its resolutions on the situation in Syria, calling for the implementation of the ceasefire, for putting an end to hostilities and providing humanitarian aid. It further called on the international parties having pledged to impose a cessation of hostilities and consolidate the humanitarian truce for rapid intervention to stop the killings to which residential areas are subjected, lift the blockade on besieged civilians while providing protection to them and to children, women and to Syrian civilians in general as well as humanitarian workers, and withdraw foreign militia, particularly from the city of Aleppo or provide safe corridors to civilians and impose an immediate humanitarian ceasefire at least for sufficient time.

.6. The meeting called on the UN General Assembly to shoulder its responsibility in line with the provisions of the UN Charter, should the UN Security Council continue its failure to fulfill its duty in the maintenance of international peace and security in Syria

.7. The meeting underlined the need for the peaceful resolution of the Syrian crisis through the resumption of the negotiating process within the framework of the implementation of the Geneva Declaration 1 and relevant Security Council resolutions...

09/10/2016
Group of 77 [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.g77.org/
No new digest content identified.

UNCTAD [to 15 October 2016]
14 Oct 2016 –
New EU-UNCTAD agreement to help Central Africa cut its trade costs

13 Oct 2016 –
Competition and consumer protection regulators must up their game in the big data era

12 Oct 2016 –
Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals will need healthy competition and consumer protection too

10 Oct 2016 –
African business must create jobs, support regional integration

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news_e.htm
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]
No new digest content identified.

IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.ipu.org/english/news.htm
13 October 2016
IPU Secretary General congratulates Egyptian Parliament on its 150th anniversary

IPU Secretary General Martin Chungong congratulated the Egyptian Parliament on its 150th anniversary and called on all political stakeholders to reflect in this historical moment on the need to build a stronger and more democratic parliament.

International Court of Justice [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 15 October 2016]
Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity
https://www.icc-cpi.int/
13 October 2016
Statement of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, Fatou Bensouda concerning the situation in the Republic of the Philippines
My Office is aware of worrying reported extra-judicial killings of alleged drug dealers and users in the Philippines, which may have led to over 3,000 deaths in the past three months. I am deeply concerned about these alleged killings and the fact that public statements of high officials of the Republic of the Philippines seem to condone such killings and further seem to encourage State forces and civilians alike to continue targeting these individuals with lethal force.

Extra-judicial killings may fall under the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court ("ICC" or "Court") if they are committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack against a civilian population pursuant to a State policy to commit such an attack.

The Republic of the Philippines is a State Party to the ICC and as such, the Court has jurisdiction over genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes committed on the territory or by nationals of the Philippines since 1 November 2011, the date when the Statute entered into force in the Philippines.

Let me be clear: any person in the Philippines who incites or engages in acts of mass violence including by ordering, requesting, encouraging or contributing, in any other manner, to the commission of crimes within the jurisdiction of the ICC is potentially liable to prosecution before the Court.

My Office, in accordance with its mandate under the Rome Statute, will be closely following developments in the Philippines in the weeks to come and record any instance of incitement or resort to violence with a view to assessing whether a preliminary examination into the situation of the Philippines needs to be opened...

World Bank [to 15 October 2016]
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Medellin Collaboration Expands Commitment to Resilience Beyond 4,000 Cities

It has been 27 years since the United Nations General Assembly felt the urgency to call for an International Day for Disaster Reduction, established with the longterm objective of raising global awareness...
Date: October 13, 2016 Type: Press Release

World Bank Launches Global Task Force to Tackle Gender-Based Violence

WASHINGTON, October 13, 2016—The World Bank today launched a Global Gender-Based Violence (GGBV) Task Force to strengthen the institution’s response through its projects to issues involving sexual...
Date: October 13, 2016 Type: Press Release

World Bank: Investing in Urban Resilience Can Save the World’s Cities Billions Each Year and Keep Millions out of Poverty

WASHINGTON, October 12, 2016 – Natural disasters – such as Hurricane Matthew – and climate change are having devastating effects on cities and the 4 billion people who live in them today. By 2030,...
Date: October 12, 2016 Type: Press Release

Statement by Multilateral Development Banks: Delivering on the 2030 Agenda
WASHINGTON, October 9, 2016 – The Heads of the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development,

Date: October 9, 2016 Type: Press Release

IMF  [to 15 October 2016]
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October 13, 2016
IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde Congratulates Antonio Guterres on Appointment as UN Secretary General

October 10, 2016
The Role of Business in Supporting a More Inclusive Global Economy
By Christine Lagarde
The Conference on Inclusive Capitalism, New York

African Development Bank Group  [to 15 October 2016]
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10/10/2016
AfDB to launch an Africa Investment Forum
The Board of the African Development Bank (AfDB) has approved the institution’s proposal to launch an ‘Africa Investment Forum (AIF)’—a meeting place for investors interested in Africa. The AIF will showcase bankable projects, attract financing, and provide platforms for investing across multiple countries. It will also serve as a unique forum for international business and social impact investors looking to transact and deploy funds in Africa and act as an avenue for connecting investors with both public and private sector projects throughout the continent.

Asian Development Bank  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.adb.org/news/releases
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News Releases
9 October 2016
Delivering on the 2030 Agenda
Statement by the Heads of the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the European Investment Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank Group, the International Finance Corporation, the Islamic Development Bank, the New Development Bank, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund.
[See Week in Review above for more detail]

9 October 2016
Joint statement by Heads of Regional Development Banks on the Report of the Center for Global Development’s High-Level Panel on Multilateral Development Banking

The Center for Global Development in Washington, DC on 7 October released a report by a high-level panel on multilateral development banking which was co-chaired by Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Lawrence H. Summers, and Andrés Velasco. The report identifies five recommendations to shareholders of the existing and new multilateral development banks.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.aiib.org/html/NEWS/
[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of • No new digest content identified.

IFAD  International Fund for Agricultural Development  [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We will monitor media releases and other announcements around key initiatives, new research and major organizational change from a growing number of global NGOs, collaborations, and initiatives across the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action.

This Watch section is intended to be indicative, not exhaustive. We will not include fund raising announcements, programs events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Amref Health Africa  [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.aravind.org/default/currentnewscontent
No new digest content identified.

BRAC  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.brac.net/#news
Tuesday, 11 October 2016 00:00
Australia, BRAC and UK reiterates their commitment to work with the Government of Bangladesh in ending child marriage

As the world celebrates the International Day of the Girl Child on 11 October, BRAC, Australia, and the UK reiterated their commitment to investing in girls’ empowerment and working with the Government of Bangladesh to end child marriage. This joint statement is

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released as part of the activities undertaken by the partners with the Government of Bangladesh.

In issuing the statement, BRAC’s Executive Director, Dr Muhammad Musa said, “Every day, BRAC helps girls in Bangladesh reach their full potential through a comprehensive approach which includes creating economic, health-related, educational and leadership opportunities. After over 40 years of experience in advancing women and girls’ rights, we are determined now more than ever, to ensure that no girl is born into a community where she isn’t given the chance to learn and become a leader.”...

**CARE International** [to 15 October 2016]
13th Oct 2016
**CARE finds dire humanitarian situation in previously unaffected areas of South Sudan**
13th Oct 2016
CARE is worried about the new spread of fighting and insecurity to the Greater Equatoria region, an area previously largely unaffected by the conflict that has engulfed the country since December 2013.

**Women and girls urge EU leadership to help end gender-based violence**
12th Oct 2016
Multi-sectoral experts will meet in Brussels today to discuss the urgent issue of gender-based violence that is prevalent worldwide, and gets particularly worse in conflict and among displaced populations. For example, in camps and host communities, lack of security and inadequate protection leave women and girls vulnerable to rape and ...

**CARE Accelerates Hurricane Matthew Relief Efforts**
11th Oct 2016
CARE teams are on the ground in hard-hit areas scaling up the response, which includes distributing hot meals, clean water, tarps and hygiene kits.

**CARE statement on October 8th attack in Yemen**
11th Oct 2016
An attack at a funeral gathering in Sanaa, Yemen yesterday claimed the lives of an estimated 140 people and injured hundreds of others. This is the most devastating attack on innocent civilians in the 18 month conflict in Yemen that has so far left 14 million people in need of ...

**Clubhouse International** [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

**Danish Refugee Council** [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.drc.dk/news
No new digest content identified.
No new digest content identified.

No new digest content identified.

No new digest content identified.

On September 1st, 2016, Handicap International and the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM) renewed their partnership, enabling the humanitarian organization to continue providing assistance to Syrian refugees in Lebanon.

The goal of this new yearlong project in the Beqaa Valley and in Tripoli/Akkar (Lebanon) is to address the essential needs of the most vulnerable Syrian crisis affected persons in the country.

This project includes the delivery of various services such as rehabilitation sessions, distribution of assistive and mobility devices, prosthesis and orthotics, complementary items but also psycho-social support to injured and/or Syrian refugees with disabilities...

Experts’ advisory: World Food Day

Word Food Day will be celebrated worldwide on Oct. 16 with the theme: “Climate is changing. Food and agriculture must too.” Established in 1979, the event marks the creation of the U.N.’s Food and Agriculture Organization. Experts at Heifer International shared their thoughts about what farmers can do about climate change.

Urban development must protect and promote the rights of older people and create inclusive, welcoming and supportive cities for all ages, HelpAge International argues in a new report launched ahead of the sustainable urbanisation conference Habitat III.

Lake Chad: ICRC president calls for world to urgently address “vast human tragedy”
The president of the ICRC, Peter Maurer, completed today a two-day mission to Niger.
14-10-2016 | News release

**Weapons: ICRC statement to the United Nations, 2016**
United Nations General Assembly, 71st session, First Committee, General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items.
12-10-2016 | Statement

**A price too high: Rethinking nuclear weapons in light of their human cost**
The e-briefing you are about to enter shows the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons. These consequences have been known to the world since the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945.
12-10-2016 | Publication

**Advancement of women: ICRC statement to the United Nations, 2016**
Advancement of Women, United Nations General Assembly, 71st session, Third Committee, Statement by the ICRC.
11-10-2016 | Statement

**Philippines: Intensifying detection of tuberculosis in jails and prisons**
Manila (ICRC) – Health representatives from key government agencies gathered today for a three-day workshop organized by the ICRC with the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) and Bureau of Corrections (BuCor) to discuss the most effective w
11-10-2016 | News release

**Yemen: ICRC abhors civilian deaths in Sana’a**
Geneva/Sana’a– The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) abhors the killing today of dozens of civilians in the Yemeni capital Sana’a - the result of several attacks on a wake following a funeral attended by hundreds of people.
08-10-2016 | News release

**The rule of law at the national and international levels: ICRC statement to the United Nations, 2016**
United Nations General Assembly, 71st session, Sixth Committee, Statement by the International Committee of the Red Cross, October 2016
07-10-2016 | Statement

**IFRC** [to 15 October 2016]
15 October 2016

**Global Handwashing Day: Hand-washing essential to prevent spread of cholera in Haiti**
13 October 2016

**Stop indifference: Three-year-old boy among 17 people feared dead in the Mediterranean**
13 October 2016
World Disasters Report 2016 - Resilience: Saving lives today, investing for tomorrow
[See Week in Review above for more detail]

13 October 2016
Hurricane Matthew: Red Cross Red Crescent relief items amongst first to arrive in Haiti

11 October 2016
Haitian Red Cross scales up water, sanitation and hygiene to contain cholera outbreak

9 October 2016
Red Cross Red Crescent mourns loss of staff member in Yemen attack

IRC  International Rescue Committee  [to 15 October 2016]
Statement
Reaction from the International Rescue Committee Regarding Thwarted Attack on Refugees and Immigrants in Garden City, Kansas
October 15, 2016

Press Release
Central African Republic: Deadly violence forces suspension of aid as thousands displaced
October 14, 2016

Press Release
Hundred thousand at risk of sleeping in the open during first weeks of Mosul military operation
October 10, 2016

IRCT  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.irct.org/
News
OSCE Workshop: Challenges and ways forward in implementing the right to rehabilitation in Europe
14 October 2016

News
New Editorial Advisory Board to build on the success of Torture Journal
10 October 2016

Islamic Relief  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.islamic-relief.org/category/news/
No new digest content identified

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Landsea  [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières  [to 15 October 2016]
Press release
Dadaab, Kenya: Return of Refugees to Somalia is ‘Inhumane and Irresponsible’
October 13, 2016
As Kenya’s government-mandated closure of the Dadaab refugee camp draws nearer, MSF is urging the government of Kenya, the United Nations High Commission on Refugees (UNHCR) and donor countries to find an alternative to a policy that will send thousands of refugees back to war-ravaged Somalia.

Press release
Doctors Without Borders Statement on WHO Global TB Report
October 12, 2016
“The World Health Organization’s annual look at the global state of tuberculosis this year makes for a shockingly bad report card: countries are failing to diagnose and treat millions of people with TB, which caused 1.8 million deaths last year. Governments need to get their heads out of the sand and realize that TB is not a disease consigned to the 1800s; we see and treat TB in our clinics every day, and it’s a deadly threat to all of us.

Press release
Doctors Without Borders to Open Educational, Outdoor Exhibit on Refugee Crisis in Boston
October 12, 2016
“Forced From Home” Interactive Exhibit and Tour Opens at Long Wharf, Experienced Aid Workers Provide Firsthand Accounts of Global Refugee Crisis

Press release
East Aleppo’s Few Remaining Medics Struggle to Treat Waves of Wounded
October 09, 2016
SAFE PASSAGE IS NEEDED TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO ENTER AMMAN, JORDAN/NEW YORK, OCTOBER 9, 2016 — The few remaining medical personnel in eastern Aleppo are exhausted, working around the clock to treat daily influxes of wounded patients, even as the siege of the city prevents additional medical personnel from joining them, the international medical humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) said today.

Mercy Corps  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases
Nigeria, October 12, 2016
Mercy Corps Expanding Relief Efforts to Address Destruction Left in Boko Haram’s Wake

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In previously inaccessible areas in northeast Nigeria, 80% of shelters damaged and families unable to afford food

ABUJA, NIGERIA – The global organization Mercy Corps is expanding its assistance to people in areas of northeast Nigeria previously occupied by Boko Haram and will reach more than 15,000 families by the end of the year in communities within Damboa and other locations in south Borno.

Haiti, October 11, 2016

**Mercy Corps Delivers Urgent Assistance in Haiti, Warns of Food Crisis**

With crops wiped out and the planting season approaching, food security challenges loom

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI – Following Hurricane Matthew's devastating rampage through Haiti, the global organization Mercy Corps is delivering urgently needed supplies to people in the hard-hit southern peninsula and preparing to help farmers and other affected communities recover as long-term food security threats loom. The United Nations now estimates that 750,000 people are in severe need of assistance across the country...

**Operation Smile** [to 15 October 2016]

http://www.operationsmile.org/press-office

**Program Schedule**

Here’s what we’re doing worldwide to make a difference in the lives of children who deserve every opportunity for safe surgical care.

**Oxfam** [to 15 October 2016]


14 October 2016

**Civilians risk getting caught in crossfire as Mosul offensive intensifies**

Hundreds of thousands of Iraqi civilians risk being caught in the crossfire as the Mosul offensive gets underway, with tens of thousands of people already forced from their homes due to the recent fighting.

**Hurricane Matthew: International community must respond now to prevent more loss of life**

10 October 2016

Food, shelter and clean water are needed urgently by people in southern Haiti following the destruction caused by Hurricane Matthew last week. Oxfam fears that the current death toll of at least 800 will increase further. The international community must act immediately to mitigate the loss of entire harvests and to counter any possible spikes of cholera. Oxfam is sending 3 tons of water purifying supplies to Haiti.

**Norwegian Refugee Council** [to 15 October 2016]

http://www.nrc.no/


**New report criticizes closure of world’s largest refugee camp**

"The deadline to close the world’s largest refugee camp must be lifted,” said Jan Egeland, Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC).
A new report released today by NRC criticizes the returns process from Dadaab camp in Kenya to Somalia, as no longer being voluntary, safe or dignified.

The report, titled Dadaab’s Broken Promise, says that the decision by the Government of Kenya in May to close the Dadaab refugee camps in November has led to a situation where the voluntary returns process does not meet international standards, and breaks the agreement that Somalis would be assisted to return home safely and voluntarily...

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

**Pact**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.pactworld.org/news
No new digest content identified.

**Partners In Health**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.pih.org/blog
Oct 04, 2016
**WHO to Send 1 Million Cholera Vaccines to Haiti**

The World Health Organization announced Tuesday that it will send 1 million doses of cholera vaccine to Haiti, where hundreds of cases of the deadly diarrheal disease have been reported after Hurricane Matthew tore through the country one week ago.

Partners In Health applauds the news for a simple reason. “Cholera vaccines save lives,” says Dr. Louise Ivers, PIH’s senior health and policy advisor...

**PATH**  [to 15 October 2016]
Announcement | October 13, 2016
**PATH’s cofounder, Gordon Duncan, leaves a legacy for global health**

PATH, our board of directors, and our employees mourn the passing of our visionary cofounder, Gordon W. Duncan, PhD.

**Plan International**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre
No new digest content identified.

**Save The Children**  [to 15 October 2016]
October 14, 2016
**Children Dying of Thirst, Killed by Landmines in Flight from Mosul Offensive**
**Four Leading NGOs Call for Immediate Aleppo Ceasefire Ahead of Key Switzerland Meeting**

Save the Children Rapidly Scaling Up Operation in Haiti to Meet Critical Needs
October 14, 2016
Dakota Fanning and Save The Children Light Empire State Building in Honor of International Day of the Girl
October 12, 2016

Lives Through a Lens: New Photo Series by Delphine Diallo Marks International Day of the Girl
October 11, 2016

A Potential Cholera Catastrophe in Haiti Threatens Thousands of Children, Save the Children Warns
October 10, 2016

One Girl Under 15 Married Every Seven Seconds
Oct. 10, 2016

Save the Children Condemns Attack on Funeral in Yemen
October 10, 2016

Children Exceptionally Vulnerable in the Wake of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti
October 9, 2016

SOS-Kinderdorf International  [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

Tostan  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.tostan.org/latest-news
No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 15 October 2016]
October 12, 2016
What Does It Mean to be a Humanitarian?
This blog was originally posted by WfWI President Laurie Adams on the Huffington Post on October 12, 2016.

Freedom House [to 15 October 2016]
https://freedomhouse.org/news
Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research
No new digest content identified.

Transparency International  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.transparency.org/news/pressreleases/
Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research
No new digest content identified.

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**ChildFund Alliance**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://childfundalliance.org/news/
[Undated but current]
Employment Opportunity: Child Protection in Emergencies Specialist

**CONCORD**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://concordeurope.org/news-and-events/
[European NGO confederation for relief and development]
No new digest content identified.

**Disasters Emergency Committee**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.dec.org.uk/media-centre
[Action Aid, Age International, British Red Cross, CAFOD, CARE International, Christian Aid, Concern Worldwide, Islamic Relief, Oxfam, Plan UK, Save the Children, Tearfund and World Vision]
11/10/2016
**DEC statement on Hurricane Matthew**
Updated: 11/10/2016 - 10.00pm
Almost one week after Hurricane Matthew devastated Haiti, the death toll continues to rise and the number of people in need of assistance has increased to more than 1.4 million according to the United Nations.
DEC member agencies are on the ground delivering food, water and shelter supplies, as well as hygiene kits and water purification tablets in an urgent effort to prevent the spread of cholera.
Some of the worst-hit parts of the country can still only be reached by air or sea but many of our agencies had already pre-positioned stock in the affected area, while additional aid such as shelter and lifesaving water filters arrived in Haiti over the weekend.
The DEC is monitoring the situation closely, regularly reviewing it against our appeal criteria, but at this stage we are not launching an appeal.
Many of our members are currently responding in Haiti and you can support their work:
ActionAid
British Red Cross
CAFOD
CARE International
Christian Aid
Concern Worldwide UK
Oxfam
Plan International UK
Save the Children
Tearfund
World Vision

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The Elders [to 15 October 2016]
http://theelders.org/news-media
Press release 9 October 2016
The Elders call on US, UK to take action to stop civilian deaths in Yemen
Expressing shock and deep dismay over the latest incident of heavy civilian casualties in Yemen resulting from the Saudi-led aerial bombing campaign, The Elders call on the United States and United Kingdom to take decisive steps to prevent further needless deaths.

END Fund [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.end.org/news
Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements
No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 15 October 2016]
11 October 2016
Girl Effect and Gavi join forces with US$ 10 million commitment to fight cervical cancer in developing world
Without intervention the rising number of deaths from cervical cancer will exceed maternal mortality rates in developing countries.
:: On International Day of the Girl Child, Girl Effect and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, announce a US$ 10 million partnership to increase awareness and uptake of the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine which protects girls against 70% of cervical cancer cases.
:: Negative social norms and cultural barriers can stop girls accessing the HPV vaccine, despite its effectiveness and availability.
:: The HPV vaccination is often the first time girls are in contact with health related activities since they were infants. This represents a unique opportunity to teach them about the benefits of other health interventions.
:: Gavi will support countries in purchasing the vaccines while Girl Effect’s integrated culture brands will help address the negative social norms that hold girls back from getting vaccinated and accessing healthcare systems.

Global Fund [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 15 October 2016]
http://prizecoalition.charity.org/
An Alliance of Hilton Prize Recipients
Selected News Releases
No new digest content identified.

ICVA -International Council of Voluntary Agencies
[InterAction] [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

[Locus]
http://locusworld.org/
"Locus is a movement focused on engaging those we serve, practitioners, the private sector, donors and to drive adoption of locally owned, integrated solutions."
No new digest content identified.

[Start Network] [to 15 October 2016]
[Consortium of British Humanitarian Agencies]
No new digest content identified.

[Muslim Charities Forum] [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.muslimcharitiesforum.org.uk/media/news
An umbrella organisation for Muslim-led international NGOs based in the UK. It was set up in 2007 and works to support its members through advocacy, training and research, by bringing charities together. Our members have a collective income of £150,000,000 and work in 71 countries.

[NOW OPEN] Muslim Charities Forum Humanitarian Awards ’17 Nominations
14th October 2016
The Muslim Charities Forum’s Humanitarian Awards 2016, the first of its kind, aims to celebrate and recognise the remarkable achievements of the British Muslim charity sector. The Awards and Dinner ceremony will take place in January 2017 and we are delighted to now open applications...

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[Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP)] [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.alnap.org/
No new digest content identified.

[CHS Alliance] [to 15 October 2016]
http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news
13/10/2016
CHS Alliance welcomes new members Al-Khair Foundation and Medical Teams International
The CHS Alliance is pleased to welcome two new members: UK-based Al-Khair Foundation and Medical Teams International headquartered in Oregon, USA.

11/10/2016
**CHS Alliance takes part in project CREATE to enhance the integrity of humanitarian operations**
The CHS Alliance is engaging in a project called CREATE (Collective Resolution to Enhance Accountability and Transparency in Emergencies) that aims to better equip humanitarian stakeholders to understand and manage corruption risks in their operations in complex humanitarian contexts.

10/10/2016
**New investigations resources including 2016 PSEA Conference Report and video interviews**
We have a number of new resources on investigating allegations of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) by aid workers including the Conference Report from our 2016 Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) conference and video interviews with PSEA experts.

**EHLRA/R2HC**  [to 15 October 2016]
*No new digest content identified.*

**Global Humanitarian Assistance (GHA)**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.globalhumanitarianassistance.org/
*Crisis Briefings*
**Niger, Rift Valley Fever**
2016/10/12
On 12 October 2016 we responded to a funding alert for Niger, raised in response to a Rift Valley fever outbreak in the Tahoua region. Rift Valley fever is an acute viral disease most commonly observed in domesticated animals; it ...

**Mass displacement in Afghanistan**
2016/10/11
On 11 October 2016 we responded to a funding alert for Afghanistan raised in response to mass displacement as a result of continued violence in the country. The UN announced that as many as 10,000 people have become internally dis...

**Mali – flooding**
2016/10/10
On 10 October 2016 we responded to a funding alert for Mali, raised in anticipation of flooding in the Niger River basin in Mali. OPIDEN (Outil de Prédiction des Inondations dans la Delta Intérieur du Niger) – a tool developed...

**Hurricane Matthew: flooding in Haiti**
2016/10/10
On 7 October 2016 we responded to a funding alert for Haiti, raised in response to Hurricane Matthew, which made landfall on 4 October 2016. Hurricane Matthew has been reported as the most powerful Caribbean storm in nearly a deca...

**The Sphere Project** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.sphereproject.org/news/
No new digest content identified.

**Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP)** [to 15 October 2016]
https://phap.org/
11 October 2016
**Expert briefing to highlight lessons learned on hostile intent and civilian protection**
Join us on 8 November for an Expert Briefing on hostile intent and civilian protection with Bonnie Docherty, Lecturer on Law and Senior Clinical Instructor at Harvard Law School’s International Human Rights Clinic. In order to reduce the number of civilian causalities, military operations strive to...

**Center for Global Development** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.cgdev.org/page/press-center
No new digest content identified.

**CSIS**
https://www.csis.org/
Accessed 15 October 2016
**Report**
**Perspectives on Security and Strategic Stability**
October 11, 2016
By Kathleen H. Hicks, Heather A. Conley, Lisa Sawyer Samp, Jeffrey Rathke, Anthony Bell
As the United States and NATO allies expand their presence along the alliance’s eastern flank in response to increased Russian aggression, it has become increasingly important to engage in a dialogue with representatives from the Baltic States and Poland to better understand their perceptions of regional security and the impact of U.S. and NATO assurance efforts. To that end, CSIS conducted a Track 2 dialogue in 2016 with civil society leaders, security experts, academicians, and government representatives across the Baltic States, Poland, and the United States. This report presents key observations from this dialogue, including (1) regional perspectives on threats and vulnerabilities, (2) views on the U.S. and NATO roles in conventional deterrence in Eastern Europe, (3) regional approaches to internal defense and security, (4) the nuclear dimension on the eastern flank, and (5) future challenges to transatlantic cohesion.

**Report**
**U.S.-India Security Cooperation**
**Progress and Promise for the Next Administration**
October 11, 2016
The U.S.-India relationship has fluctuated from mutual suspicion to the current high-water mark of cooperation embodied in the seemingly close relationship between U.S. president Barack Obama and Indian prime minister Narendra Modi. This study seeks to identify the opportunities to deepen security cooperation between the two counties, while ensuring continued effort to reduce the obstacles and impediments in each system to working with the other...

**ODI** [to 15 October 2016]

*Press release* | 10 October 2016
**Alex Thier appointed new Executive Director of ODI**

The Overseas Development Institute today announced the appointment of Alex Thier, as its new Executive Director, following an extensive global recruitment search.

Alex, formerly a senior official at the US Agency for International Development (USAID), joins ODI from Triple Helix, a US-based consultancy firm which he founded to increase access to off-grid, renewable energy in Africa and Asia...

Announcing the appointment, Chair of the ODI board, James Cameron said:
‘I am delighted to announce the appointment of Alex Thier as ODI’s new Executive Director. Alex is a proven leader with extensive international experience, high-level policy work, involvement in key innovative development initiatives of the past few years, as well as a deep personal commitment to the causes of poverty eradication and sustainable development. He has managed some of the world’s largest development programmes and led think tank initiatives on critical issues, including genocide prevention and confronting the problems of failed states. Alex joins ODI at a time of great challenge and great opportunity in the global effort to end extreme poverty and deliver sustainable development for all. We are delighted that he will lead ODI at this critical time.’...

**Research reports and studies**

**Sustainable cities: internal migration, jobs and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

Briefing papers | October 2016 | Paula Lucci, Dina Mansour-Ille, Evan Easton-Calabria and Clare Cummings

This briefing presents an overview of how rural to urban migration (internal migration) impacts on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

**Urban WASH in emergencies**

Research reports and studies | October 2016 | John Bryant and Leah Campbell

This learning report captures the key messages, lessons and experiences of both course facilitators and participants on the topic of WASH in urban emergency response.

**Shelter and settlements response in urban emergencies**

Research reports and studies | October 2016 | John Bryant and Leah Campbell

This learning report captures the key messages, lessons and experiences of both course facilitators and participants on the topic of shelter in urban emergency response.
Contracts for adaptive programming
Research reports and studies | October 2016 | Kevin Bryan and Paddy Carter
Adaptive programming is an approach to development that encourages experimentation, learning & adaptation. This report examines the contractual underpinnings of this approach.

Urban Institute  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.urban.org/about/media
No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum  [to 15 October 2016]
https://agenda.weforum.org/news/
Selected Media Releases, Research
News 10 Oct 2016
New Forum Center to Advance Global Cooperation on Fourth Industrial Revolution
:: The Center will be dedicated to advancing the global conversation on science and technology governance for the benefit of society at large
:: It leverages the Forum's global multistakeholder communities of scientists, leading companies, Technology Pioneers, civil society, academia, policy-makers, international organizations and youth
:: It is the first globally active office of any international organization in the Bay Area, and a sign of the critical importance of technology in society and the global economy and the need for public-private collaboration

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch
We will primarily monitor press/media releases announcing key initiatives and new research from a growing number of global foundations and donors engaged in the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. This Watch section is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative.

Aga Khan Foundation  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.akdn.org/pr.asp
7 October 2016
Focus Humanitarian Assistance delivers tents, blankets and relief items to the Governor of Takhar Province to help internally displaced people arriving from Kunduz
Kabul, Afghanistan - Focus Humanitarian Assistance (FOCUS), an affiliate of the Aga Khan Development Network donated 125 tents and 100 Non Food Item packages to the Governor of Takhar to support 750 Internally Displaced People (IDP) in Kunduz.

BMGF - Gates Foundation  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.gatesfoundation.org/Media-Center/Press-Releases

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No new digest content identified.

**Annie E. Casey Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.aecf.org/contact/newsroom/
No new digest content identified.

**Clinton Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
October 13, 2016

*Statement from President Clinton and Secretary Clinton on the Passing of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand*

**Ford Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.fordfoundation.org/?filter=News
No new digest content identified.

**GHIT Fund**  [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.ghitfund.org/

GHIT was set up in 2012 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that devastate the world’s poorest people. Other funders include six Japanese pharmaceutical companies, the Japanese Government and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. No new digest content identified.

**Grameen Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
No new digest content identified.

**William and Flora Hewlett Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/
No new digest content identified.

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news

*Our News*

**The Lancet Launches Series on Early Childhood Development**
October 5, 2016

... The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation is pleased to support The Lancet’s 2016 Early Childhood Development Series offsite link. The series highlights the importance of early childhood development at a time when it has been universally endorsed in the SDGs. This series considers new scientific evidence for interventions, building on the findings and recommendations of previous Lancet Series on child development from 2007 and 2011, and proposes pathways for implementation of early childhood development at scale. The series emphasizes “nurturing care”, especially of children below three years of age and multi-sectoral interventions starting...
with health, which can have wide reach to families and young children through health and nutrition.

**IKEA Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
*No new digest content identified.*

**HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute**  [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.hhmi.org/news
*No new digest content identified.*

**Kellogg Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media#pp=10&p=1&f1=news
*No new digest content identified.*

**MacArthur Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.macfound.org/
October 14, 2016
*2016 President’s Essay*
**Trust, Change, and Hope**
Essay by Julia M. Stasch, President

*Announcement*
**Meet the 2016 MacArthur Fellows**
“While our communities, our nation, and our world face both historic and emerging challenges, these 23 extraordinary individuals give us ample reason for hope. They are breaking new ground in areas of public concern, in the arts, and in the sciences, often in unexpected ways. Their creativity, dedication, and impact inspire us all.”...[bios follow]

**Blue Meridian Partners**
http://www.emcf.org/capital-aggregation/blue-meridian-partners/
*Blue Meridian Partners is a new capital aggregation collaboration that plans to invest at least $1 billion in high-performance nonprofits that are poised to have truly national impact for economically disadvantaged children and youth.*
*No new digest content identified.*

**Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation**  [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.moore.org/news
October 12, 2016
**Ken Moore named chief administrative officer of Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation**
Palo Alto, Calif. – The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation appointed Ken Moore as chief administrative officer. Moore will lead facilities, finance, grants administration, human resources and information technology for the $6 billion private foundation.

“We are fortunate to be able to tap Ken’s expertise to oversee our administrative functions,” said Harvey V. Fineberg, M.D., Ph.D. “This is especially critical as we work to optimize our core operations in the year ahead.”

**Open Society Foundation** [to 15 October 2016]
https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/issues/media-information
*No new digest content identified.*

**David and Lucile Packard Foundation** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.packard.org/news/
October 14, 2016
*2016 Packard Fellowships in Science and Engineering Awarded to Eighteen Researchers*

Today, the David and Lucile Packard Foundation named 18 of the nation’s most innovative early-career scientists and engineers as recipients of the 2016 Packard Fellowships for Science and Engineering. Each Fellow will receive a grant of $875,000 over five years to pursue their research...

**Pew Charitable Trusts** [to 15 October 2016]
*No new digest content identified.*

**Rockefeller Foundation** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/newsroom
October 13, 2016
*Condolences on the passing of Thailand’s King Bhumibol Adulyadej*

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** [to 15 October 2016]
*No new digest content identified.*

**Science Philanthropy Alliance** [to 15 October 2016]
"...a group of organizations working together to increase philanthropic support for basic scientific research on a global basis…"
October 13, 2016
*Science Group Seeks to Guide Silicon Valley Philanthropists [via Nature magazine]*

Erika Hayden from Nature Magazine interviewed Marc Kastner about the Science Philanthropy Alliance’s plans to increase private funding for basic science, and the role we played in advising the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative:...
“Chan and Zuckerberg’s announcement showcases how the Science Philanthropy Alliance works. Initially, the pair considered funding translational research. But after conversations with the alliance, among other advisers, over many months, they decided to concentrate on fundamental research, especially the building of scientific tools and technologies. The alliance provided the couple with connections to scientists, as well as advice on defining basic research and how to structure and run a scientific advisory board.”

**SDG Philanthropy Platform**
http://sdgfunders.org/conversation/

SDG Philanthropy Platform is a collaboration between philanthropy and the greater international development community led by Foundation Center, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, and supported by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Ford Foundation and the MasterCard Foundation, the Brach Family Foundation, and other key organizations such as Asociación de Fundaciones Empresariales (AFE) in Colombia, Brach Family Charitable Foundation, CAF America, Council on Foundations, East Africa Association of Grantmakers (EAAG), European Foundation Centre, Filantropi Indonesia (FI), GlobalGiving, The Humanitarian Forum, World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, and Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS).

12-10-2016

**Guidelines for the Use of the SDG Logo, Color Wheel, and 17 Icons**
If your organization needs easy access to SDG images and logos for events or publications, please find useful resources inside.

**Alfred P. Sloan Foundation**
http://www.sloan.org/press-room/

No new digest content identified.

**Wellcome Trust** [to 15 October 2016]
http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/News/2016/index.htm
14 October 2016
News

**Creating a Human Cell Atlas**

Scientists are meeting at Wellcome this week to discuss an ambitious global plan to catalogue every cell type in the human body.

The International Human Cell Atlas would describe all the cell types in the human body, across all tissues and organs, to create a reference map of the healthy human body. This could revolutionise how doctors and researchers understand, diagnose and treat diseases such as Alzheimer’s, asthma and cancer.

Experts from around the world – convened by Wellcome, the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute and the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard – are meeting to agree the first phase of the Human Cell Atlas. It will be made freely available to researchers around the world... Find out more in the Sanger Institute press release.

13 October 2016

Opinion

**Engaging Science funding: an update**
Rachel Hillman, who is leading our Engaging Science refresh, explains where we're up to in our review of the way we fund public engagement projects.

:: Journal Watch
The Sentinel will track key peer-reviewed journals which address a broad range of interests in human rights, humanitarian response, health and development. It is not intended to be exhaustive. We will add to those monitored below as we encounter relevant content and upon recommendation from readers. We selectively provide full text of abstracts and other content but note that successful access to some of the articles and other content may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher. Please suggest additional journals you feel warrant coverage.

**American Journal of Infection Control**
October 2016 Volume 44, Issue 10, p1083-1196, e167-e182
http://www.ajicjournal.org/current
[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Preventive Medicine**
October 2016 Volume 51, Issue 4, p411-636, e91-e118
http://www.ajpmonline.org/current
[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Public Health**
Volume 106, Issue 10 (October 2016)
http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current
[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**
October 2016; 95 (4)
http://www.ajtmh.org/content/current
[Reviewed earlier]

**Annals of Internal Medicine**
4 October 2016, Vol. 165. No. 7
http://annals.org/issue.aspx
[New issue; No relevant content identified]

**BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation**
http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
BMC Health Services Research
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
Research article
Public accountability needs to be enforced – a case study of the governance arrangements and accountability practices in a rural health district in Ghana
Improving public accountability is currently high on the global agenda. At the same time, the organisation of health services in low- and middle-income countries is taking place in fragmented institutional lan...
Sara Van Belle and Susannah H. Mayhew
BMC Health Services Research 2016 16:568
Published on: 12 October 2016

Research article
The promise and the reality: a mental health workforce perspective on technology-enhanced youth mental health service delivery
Digital technologies show promise for reversing poor engagement of youth (16–24 years) with mental health services. In particular, mobile and internet based applications with communication capabilities can aug...
Simone Orlowski, Sharon Lawn, Ben Matthews, Anthony Venning, Kaisha Wyld, Gabrielle Jones, Megan Winsall, Gaston Antezana, Geoffrey Schrader and Niranjan Bidargaddi
BMC Health Services Research 2016 16:562
Published on: 10 October 2016

Research article
Experiences and lessons learned from 29 HPV vaccination programs implemented in 19 low and middle-income countries, 2009-2014
Joël Ladner, Marie-Hélène Besson, Etienne Audureau, Mariana Rodrigues and Joseph Saba
BMC Health Services Research 2016 16:575
Published on: 13 October 2016
Abstract
Background
Cervical cancer is the greatest cause of age-weighted years of life lost in the developing world. Human papillomavirus (HPV) infection is associated with a high proportion of cervical cancers, and HPV vaccination may help to reduce the incidence of cancer. The aim of the study was to identify barriers, obstacles, and strategies and to analyze key concerns and lessons learned with respect to the implementation of HPV vaccination program in low- and middle-income countries.
Methods
The Gardasil Access Program (GAP) is a donation program established to enable organizations and institutions in eligible low-resource countries to gain operational experience designing and implementing HPV vaccination programs. This study used an online survey to capture the experiences and insights of program managers participating in the GAP. Different factors related to HPV vaccination program management were collected. A mixed-method approach enabled the presentation of both quantitative measurements and qualitative insights.
Results

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Twenty-nine programs implemented by 23 institutions in 19 low- and middle-income countries were included. Twenty programs managers (97.7 %) reported that their institution implemented sensitization strategies about vaccination prior to the launch of vaccination campaign. The most frequently reported obstacles to HPV vaccination by the program managers were erroneous perceptions of population related to the vaccine’s safety and efficacy. Reaching and maintaining follow-up with target populations were identified as challenges. Insufficient infrastructure and human resources financing and the vaccine delivery method were identified as significant health system barriers. Coupling HPV vaccination with other health interventions for mothers of targeted girls helped to increase vaccination and cervical cancer screening. The majority of program managers reported that their programs had a positive impact on national HPV vaccination policy. The majority of institutions had national and international partners that provided support for human resources, technical assistance, and training and financial support for health professionals.

Conclusion
Local organizations and institutions can implement successful HPV vaccination campaigns. Adequate and adapted planning and resources that support information sharing, sensitization, and mobilization are essential for such success. These results can inform the development of programs and policies related to HPV vaccination in low- and middle-income countries.

**BMC Infectious Diseases**
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
[No new relevant content]

**BMC Medical Ethics**
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
[No new relevant content]

**BMC Medicine**
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
[No new relevant content]

**BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth**
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
[No new relevant content]

**BMC Public Health**
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
*Research article*
A comparison of the yield of three tuberculosis screening modalities among people living with HIV: a retrospective quasi-experimental study

The Intensified Case Finding (ICF) tool was approved for TB screening in 2011; however there is still paucity of robust data comparing yields of the different ICF screening modalities. We compared yields of th...

Michael Kakinda, Joseph K. B. Matovu and Ekwaro A. Obuku
BMC Public Health 2016 16:1080
Published on: 13 October 2016

BMC Research Notes
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content
(Accessed 15 October 2016)
[No new relevant content]

BMJ Open
2016, Volume 6, Issue 10
http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization
Volume 94, Number 10, October 2016, 709-784
http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/94/10/en/
[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development
September 2016 Volume 42, Issue 5 Pages 603–773
http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/cch.v42.5/issuetoc
[Reviewed earlier]

Complexity
September/October 2016 Volume 21, Issue S1 Pages 1–632
[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health
http://www.conflictandhealth.com/
[Accessed 15 October 2016]
[No new content]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases
October 2016 - Volume 29 - Issue 5 pp: v-vi,433-537
http://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx
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Developing World Bioethics
August 2016  Volume 16, Issue 2  Pages 61–120
[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice
Volume 24, Number 8
http://www.developmentinpractice.org/journals/volume-24-number-8
[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review
September 2016  Volume 34, Issue 5  Pages 621–757
[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology
Volume 11, Issue 8, 2016
http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness
Volume 10 - Issue 04 - August 2016
http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayIssue?jid=DMP&tab=currentissue
[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters
October 2016  Volume 40, Issue 4  Pages 589–815
[Reviewed earlier]

Emergency Medicine Journal
October 2016, Volume 33, Issue 10
http://emj.bmj.com/content/current
[New issue; No relevant content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases
Volume 22, Number 10—October 2016
http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/
[Reviewed earlier]
Epidemics
Volume 17, In Progress (December 2016)
http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/17554365
[Reviewed earlier]

End of Life Journal
2016, Volume 6, Issue 1
http://eolj.bmj.com/content/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection
Volume 144 - Issue 15 - November 2016
http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayIssue?jid=HYG&tab=currentissue
[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs
Spring 2016 (Issue 30.1) | March 10, 2016
http://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2016/spring-2016-issue-30-1/
[Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health
Volume 26, Issue 5, 1 October 2016
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content/26/5

An examination of unmet health needs as perceived by Roma in Central and Eastern Europe
DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckw004 First published online: 2 March 2016 (6 pages)

Eurosurveillance
Volume 21, Issue 41, 13 October 2016
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/Public/Articles/Archives.aspx?PublicationId=11678
[New issue; No relevant content identified]

Food Policy
Volume 64, In Progress (October 2016)
http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/03069192
[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security
Volume 8, Issue 5, October 2016

Navigation to Main Sections: :: Week in Review :: Key Agency/IGO/Governments Watch :: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch :: Foundation/Major Donor Watch :: Journal Watch
Livestock and food security in the Arab region: policy framework
Lina S. Jaber, Katharina E. Diehl, Shadi K. Hamadeh

Household food security and biofuel feedstock production in rural Mozambique and Tanzania
Stephen Thornhill, Eszter Vargyas, Tony Fitzgerald, Nick Chisholm

Food security in Tanzania: the challenge of rapid urbanisation
Hugh Wenban-Smith, Anja Faße, Ulrike Grote

From global to local, food insecurity is associated with contemporary armed conflicts
Ore Koren, Benjamin E. Bagozzi

Forum for Development Studies
Volume 43, Issue 2, 2016
http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Genocide Studies International
Volume 10, Issue 1, Spring 2016
http://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)
September 2016 | Volume 4 | Issue 3
http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health
Volume 11, Issue 9, 2016
http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health
http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/
[Accessed 15 October 2016]
Research
Empirically evaluating the WHO global code of practice on the international recruitment of health personnel’s impact on four high-income countries four years after adoption
Vivian Tam, Jennifer S. Edge and Steven J. Hoffman
Published on: 12 October 2016

Review
Eradicating polio in Pakistan: an analysis of the challenges and solutions to this security and health issue
Shoaib Fahad Hussain, Peter Boyle, Preeti Patel and Richard Sullivan
Published on: 12 October 2016
Abstract
Since the launch of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) in 1988 the global incidence of poliomyelitis has fallen by nearly 99%. From a situation where wild type poliovirus was endemic in 125 countries across five continents, transmission is now limited to regions of just three countries – Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria. A sharp increase in Pakistan’s poliomyelitis cases in 2014 prompted the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee to declare the situation a ‘public health emergency of international concern’. Global polio eradication hinges on Pakistan’s ability to address the religious, political and socioeconomic barriers to immunisation; including discrepancies in vaccine coverage, a poor health infrastructure, and conflict in polio-endemic regions of the country. This analysis provides an overview of the GPEI, focusing on the historical and contemporary challenges facing Pakistan’s polio eradication programme and the impact of conflict and insecurity, and sheds light on strategies to combat vaccine hesitancy, engage local communities and build on recent progress towards polio eradication in Pakistan.

Health Affairs
October 2016; Volume 35, Issue 10
http://content.healthaffairs.org/content/current
Issue Focus: Insurance, The ACA, Care In India & More
Quality Of Care In India
ANALYSIS & COMMENTARY: Quality Of Health Care In India: Challenges, Priorities, And The Road Ahead
Manoj Mohanan, Katherine Hay, and Nachiket Mor
Health Aff October 2016 35:1753-1758; doi:10.1377/hlthaff.2016.0676

DATAWATCH: Trends In State-Level Child Mortality, Maternal Mortality, And Fertility Rates In India
Vidit Munshi, Gavin Yamey, and Stéphane Verguet
Health Aff October 2016 35:1759-1763; doi:10.1377/hlthaff.2016.0552

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Zika Virus 6 Months Later
Thomas R. Frieden, MD, MPH; Anne Schuchat, MD; Lyle R. Petersen, MD, MPH

Abstract
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In this Viewpoint, CDC Director Thomas Frieden and colleagues provide a mid-2016 update on Zika virus infection, including advances in understanding the epidemiology, clinical manifestations, diagnosis, prevention, and public health control of the infection.

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Editorial
Protecting health in Yemen
The Lancet
The health and humanitarian situation in Yemen is desperate. As Abdulrahman A Al-Khateeb highlights in a letter in today’s Lancet, 2.8 million Yemenis have been forced to leave their homes because of the ongoing conflict. More than 80% of the population is in need of humanitarian assistance, 50% are unable to meet their food needs, and 70% have limited access to clean water and sanitation. The war is taking a considerable toll on children, including increases in child trafficking, recruitment of child soldiers, child marriage, and severe acute malnutrition.

The conflict has devastated health services; more than 1900 of 3507 health facilities in 16 governorates are currently either not functioning or partly functioning, according to WHO. The situation has left many Yemenis without access to essential medical services. Al-Khateeb notes that more than 0.5 million pregnant women in the country do not have access to reproductive health services and patients with cancer are unable to get treatment. He calls for urgent medical missions to Yemen and the establishment of an independent and neutral medical humanitarian organisation, specialised for Yemen, to be responsible for the facilitation of all international medical missions, in collaboration with medical organisations already present in the country.

Despite some media attention, including a BBC News report in September about children dying of starvation in Yemen, the crisis is largely still neglected. An independent medical organisation for Yemen could help to change this situation and, as the letter states, should work to ensure commitments from all parties involved in the war to the Geneva Conventions.
High-level attention for Yemen is also necessary. On Oct 6, the UN Security Council nominated António Guterres as the next UN Secretary-General to replace Ban Ki-moon, whose term finishes at the end of the year. Guterres is a former Prime Minister of Portugal who led the UN Refugee Agency for 10 years from 2005 to 2015. We urge Mr Gutteres to continue to advocate for refugees as the next UN Secretary-General and for the protection of health in conflict situations, including Yemen.

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*Editorials*  
**Healing the traumatized minds of refugees**  
Host countries need to deal with the raised levels of mental-health disorders in migrants if they expect them to integrate well, and that could mean benefits for psychological care in rich countries too.
A Randomized, Controlled Trial of ZMapp for Ebola Virus Infection
The PREVAIL II Writing Group

Abstract

Background
Data from studies in nonhuman primates suggest that the triple monoclonal antibody cocktail ZMapp is a promising immune-based treatment for Ebola virus disease (EVD).

Methods
Beginning in March 2015, we conducted a randomized, controlled trial of ZMapp plus the current standard of care as compared with the current standard of care alone in patients with EVD that was diagnosed in West Africa by polymerase-chain-reaction (PCR) assay. Eligible patients of any age were randomly assigned in a 1:1 ratio to receive either the current standard of care or the current standard of care plus three intravenous infusions of ZMapp (50 mg per kilogram of body weight, administered every third day). Patients were stratified according to baseline PCR cycle-threshold value for the virus (≤22 vs. >22) and country of enrollment. Oral favipiravir was part of the current standard of care in Guinea. The primary end point was mortality at 28 days.

Results
A total of 72 patients were enrolled at sites in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea, and the United States. Of the 71 patients who could be evaluated, 21 died, representing an overall case fatality rate of 30%. Death occurred in 13 of 35 patients (37%) who received the current standard of care alone and in 8 of 36 patients (22%) who received the current standard of care plus ZMapp. The observed posterior probability that ZMapp plus the current standard of care was superior to the current standard of care alone was 91.2%, falling short of the prespecified threshold of 97.5%. Frequentist analyses yielded similar results (absolute difference in mortality with ZMapp, −15 percentage points; 95% confidence interval, −36 to 7). Baseline viral load was strongly predictive of both mortality and duration of hospitalization in all age groups.

Conclusions
In this randomized, controlled trial of a putative therapeutic agent for EVD, although the estimated effect of ZMapp appeared to be beneficial, the result did not meet the prespecified statistical threshold for efficacy. (Funded by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and others; PREVAIL II ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT02363322.)
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Good and Bad Research Collaborations: Researchers’ Views on Science and Ethics in Global Health Research
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Abstract
There has been a dramatic rise in the scale and scope of collaborative global health research. A number of structural and scientific factors explain this growth and there has been much discussion of these in the literature. Little, if any, attention has been paid, however, to the factors identified by scientists and other research actors as important to successful research collaboration. This is surprising given that their decisions are likely to play a key role in the sustainability and effectiveness of global health research initiatives. In this paper, we report on qualitative research with leading scientists involved in major international research collaborations about their views on good and bad collaborations and the factors that inform their decision-making about joining and participating actively in research networks. We identify and discuss eight factors that researchers see as essential in judging the merits of active participation in global health research collaborations: opportunities for active involvement in cutting-edge, interesting science; effective leadership; competence of potential partners in and commitment to good scientific practice; capacity building; respect for the needs, interests and agendas of partners; opportunities for discussion and disagreement; trust and confidence; and, justice and fairness in collaboration. Our findings suggest that the sustainability and effectiveness of global health research collaborations has an important ethical or moral dimension for the research actors involved.

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Sackler Colloquium on Coupled Human and Environmental Systems - Biological Sciences - Sustainability Science: Timescales and the management of ecological systems
Alan Hastings
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Abstract
Human management of ecological systems, including issues like fisheries, invasive species, and restoration, as well as others, often must be undertaken with limited information. This means that developing general principles and heuristic approaches is important. Here, I focus on one aspect, the importance of an explicit consideration of time, which arises because of the inherent limitations in the response of ecological systems. I focus mainly on simple systems and models,
beginning with systems without density dependence, which are therefore linear. Even for these systems, it is important to recognize the necessary delays in the response of the ecological system to management. Here, I also provide details for optimization that show how general results emerge and emphasize how delays due to demography and life histories can change the optimal management approach. A brief discussion of systems with density dependence and tipping points shows that the same themes emerge, namely, that when considering issues of restoration or management to change the state of an ecological system, that timescales need explicit consideration and may change the optimal approach in important ways.

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Bibliometric analysis of literature on female genital mutilation: (1930 – 2015)
Waleed M. Sweileh
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Abstract
Background
Female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) is a common harmful traditional practice in many communities in Africa and to a lesser extent in Middle East and other regions in the world. In order to better understand publishing on this topic, we conducted a bibliometric study on FGM/C. Bibliometric analyses can be used as an indicator of the extent of interaction of researchers, health authorities, and communities with a particular health issue.

Methods
Scopus database was used to retrieve data on FGM/C. Keywords used were “female genital mutilation”, “female genital circumcision”, “female genital cutting” and “female circumcision”. Specifically, the number of publications, top productive countries and institutions, highly cited articles, citation analysis, co-authorships, international collaboration, role of African countries, top active authors, and journals involved in publishing articles on FGM/C were reviewed and analyzed. We indirectly assessed the impact of publications using total number of citations received, average number of citations per article, Hirsch-index, percentage of highly cited articles, and journal’s impact factor.

Results
One thousand and thirty-five publications on FGM/C were retrieved. The h-index of retrieved articles was 37. A steep rise in number of publications was noticed in mid-1990s and again in 2012. More than half of retrieved articles were published from 2006 – 2015. A total of 65 countries contributed. The top ten productive countries included ones from Northern America, Europe and Africa. Nigeria and Egypt were the most active African countries in FGM/C publications. At least nine African academic institutions were actively involved on FGM/C publications. Articles on FGM/C that received the highest number of citations were those that focused on negative physical and psychosexual consequences of FGM/C. Journal topic areas were obstetrics/gynecology, public health, and psychological sociology. Collaboration between African and European countries on FGM/C research was evident.

Conclusion
Bibliometric analysis reveals that research publications on FGM/C have been increasing since the 1970s, with collaboration between African and Western countries, and articles are being published in higher impact journals, not only obstetrics, but also public health and social sciences. FGM/C research can be helpful to international health agencies and governments not only to document negative outcomes, but also to identify best practices, and to note gaps in implementation and practice.

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Policy Forum
Science-based management in decline in the Southern Ocean
By Cassandra M. Brooks, Larry B. Crowder, Lisa M. Curran, Robert B. Dunbar, David G. Ainley, Klaus J. Dodds, Kristina M. Gjerde, U. Rashid Sumaila
The burden of proof is being turned upside down
Summary
With an internationally lauded approach to conserving Southern Ocean ecosystems (1), the healthiest marine ecosystems on Earth, the Commission on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR), has committed to adopting marine protected areas (MPAs) in the waters around Antarctica (2). But conflict over MPAs has led CCAMLR member states to disregard the best available science, distort the foundational rules of their convention, break trust, and threaten the integrity of one of the world's most well-regarded science-based multinational governance efforts. With negotiations resuming at the CCAMLR meeting beginning 17 October, we offer recommendations aimed at implementing effective Southern Ocean MPAs, upholding CCAMLR's mandate, and maintaining its global leadership in ecosystem-based management. Given the historic conservation and diplomatic success of CCAMLR and Antarctic governance writ large, if we cannot adopt meaningful MPAs in the Southern Ocean, it does not bode well for doing so in the rest of the high seas.

Research Articles
Positive biodiversity-productivity relationship predominant in global forests
Global forest inventory records suggest that biodiversity loss would result in a decline in forest productivity worldwide.

**How economic, humanitarian, and religious concerns shape European attitudes toward asylum seekers**

By Kirk Bansak, Jens Hainmueller, Dominik Hangartner


**Choices about which refugees to host are the same for the rich and poor, old and young, and Nordic and Mediterranean.**

**Editor’s Summary**

A consensus in Europe about asylum seekers

Violent conflicts between groups often generate large numbers of noncombatant refugees. Bansak et al. surveyed western European attitudes toward such asylum seekers. They found that voters favor applicants who will contribute to the recipient country's economy, who have suffered severe physical or mental distress rather than economic hardship, and who are Christian rather than Muslim. These preferences are similar across countries and independent of the voters' personal characteristics.

**Abstract**

What types of asylum seekers are Europeans willing to accept? We conducted a conjoint experiment asking 18,000 eligible voters in 15 European countries to evaluate 180,000 profiles of asylum seekers that randomly varied on nine attributes. Asylum seekers who have higher employability, have more consistent asylum testimonies and severe vulnerabilities, and are Christian rather than Muslim received the greatest public support. These results suggest that public preferences over asylum seekers are shaped by sociotropic evaluations of their potential economic contributions, humanitarian concerns about the deservingness of their claims, and anti-Muslim bias. These preferences are similar across respondents of different ages, education levels, incomes, and political ideologies, as well as across the surveyed countries. This public consensus on what types of asylum seekers to accept has important implications for theory and policy.

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The digital revolution is sweeping through society. Nonprofit organizations and social businesses have been slower to adapt to these technological changes than for-profit businesses, but many are beginning to do so. In the summer 2016 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review* there are two articles that address this topic: “Upgrading a Network” and “Using Data for Action and for Impact.” [Reviewed earlier]

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**Sport Aims for the Goals**
It is well known that physical activity improves personal health and well-being, but the benefits of sport to society are less apparent. This issue of the Chronicle explores the ways in which sport can enable individuals and communities to build a stronger, more harmonious world.

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World Heritage in Turkey

The 40th session of the World Heritage Committee is taking place in Istanbul from 10 to 20 July 2016, and we are extremely grateful to Turkey for generously hosting this session.

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