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Period ending 25 August 2018

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:: Week in Review

A highly selective capture of strategic developments, research, commentary, analysis and announcements spanning Human Rights Action, Humanitarian Response, Health, Education, Holistic Development, Heritage Stewardship, Sustainable Resilience. Achieving a balance across 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.

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Ebola

[Spiralling violence puts millions at risk in Ebola-hit eastern DRC](#)

24 Aug 2018

This is a summary of what was said by UNHCR spokesperson Andrej Mahecic – to whom quoted text may be attributed – at today's press briefing at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is alarmed by the latest escalation of violence in already volatile and Ebola-hit North Kivu province in east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The cumulative effect of conflict and the outbreak of the deadly disease is threatening millions of Congolese.

The fighting involving a number of armed groups operating in the area has intensified in all six territories in North Kivu, a province bordering Rwanda and Uganda. Thousands of civilians have fled their burned out villages, bringing reports of brutal attacks. The already dire humanitarian situation has been further aggravated by an outbreak of Ebola virus in parts of the province. The disease has killed more than 60 people and infected dozens more in recent weeks.

Forced displacement in this part of the country remains massive. It is estimated that more than a million people are displaced in North Kivu. This is the highest concentration of internally displaced people (IDPs) in the DRC. An estimated half a million people have been forced from their homes this year alone.

UNHCR is particularly worried about the deteriorating situation in the Ebola-hit northern territory of Beni. The area is home to some 1.3 million people. Spiralling conflict has left the population living there virtually in a state of siege since October 2017. Reports of increased human rights violations and restrictions of humanitarian access are frequent. Estimates are that more than 100 armed groups are active in the province, continually terrorizing the population. Despite a large-scale military offensive of the Congolese Army against one of the main rebel groups, the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF) since January, there has been no let-up in the violence.

Despite security challenges, a UNHCR team accessed the area north of Beni earlier this month and conducted humanitarian assessments in Oicha and Eringeti districts. Residents told our staff about brutal attacks against the civilians carried out with machetes. Stories of massacres, extortion, forced displacement and other human rights violations are frequent.

Sexual and gender-based violence is rampant across the Beni territory. Many children are being recruited as child soldiers. The violence is particularly rampant in the so-called "triangle of death," between the towns of Eringeti, Mbau and Kamango, on the Uganda-DRC border, as well as in the towns of Beni, Oicha and Mavivi.

UNHCR teams witnessed empty villages, countless torched and abandoned houses, as well as burnt cars. Those who fled found shelter mostly in Beni and Oicha, where both host and displaced

communities fall prey to brutal and unpredictable attacks. Beni town hosts more than 32,000 displaced people, with the majority forced to live with host families or in schools or churches. More than two thirds have been forced to flee in the last three months.

UNHCR teams found the vulnerable displaced indigenous communities to be in some of the most critical situations. Forced out of their areas of origin in the forests, their living conditions in makeshift sites are abysmal. Families are sleeping rough, barely protected from the elements by their flimsy shelters. They have few or no means of survival as they can no longer hunt in the forests, now under the control of armed groups. There's a genuine risk of these people losing their culture and way of life.

UNHCR is scaling up its capacity in North Kivu to respond to the growing humanitarian needs. We are arranging additional emergency shelters and other humanitarian assistance to meet the needs of the displaced in Beni. While UNHCR's humanitarian response is continuing despite the outbreak of Ebola, the prevailing security situation and drastic funding shortfall severely hamper our efforts. UNHCR's DRC 2018 appeal totalling USD 201 million is only 17 per cent funded.

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Governance – Venezuela

UNHCR and IOM Chiefs Call for More Support as the Outflow of Venezuelans Rises Across the Region

2018-08-23

Geneva - The UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi and the Director General of the United Nations Migration Agency, IOM, William Lacy Swing appealed for greater support from the international community to the countries and communities in the region receiving a growing number of refugees and migrants from Venezuela. With an estimated 2.3 million Venezuelans living abroad, more than 1.6 million have left the country since 2015, 90 per cent of them to countries within South America.

Grandi and Swing commended States in the region for generously hosting Venezuelan nationals arriving at their borders. They nonetheless expressed concern over several recent developments affecting refugees and migrants from Venezuela. These include new passport and border entry requirements in Ecuador and Peru, as well as changes to the temporary stay permits for Venezuelans in Peru.

"We recognise the growing challenges associated with the large scale arrival of Venezuelans. It remains critical that any new measures continue to allow those in need of international protection to access safety and seek asylum," stressed Grandi.

"We commend the efforts already made by receiving countries to provide Venezuelans with security, support and assistance. We trust that these demonstrations of solidarity will continue in the future," said IOM's Director General, Ambassador Swing, in Geneva Thursday.

Of particular concern are the most vulnerable—such as adolescent boys and girls, women, people trying to reunite with their families and unaccompanied and separated children who are unlikely to be

able to meet documentation requirements and will therefore be placed at further risk of exploitation, trafficking and violence.

UNHCR, IOM, UN agencies and other partners are working in support of national responses by governments in the region to this complex human mobility and protection situation. This current situation underlines the urgent need to increase international engagement and solidarity in support of the governments' response plans and addressing the most pressing humanitarian needs, in order to assure that those are met, safe transit is guaranteed and social and economic integration can be provided in line with larger development strategies.

Following the commitments of the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants, timely and predictable support by the international community is needed for fairer sharing of responsibilities and to complement the efforts of host countries.

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Venezuela: General Secretariat Urges Countries to Ignore Extradition Requests from the Dictatorship

August 21. 2018

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) calls on the competent authorities of the hemisphere to ignore all attempted acts by the illegitimate supreme court of justice operating in Caracas under the dictatorial regime, and in particular to dismiss extradition requests made by this body as contrary to the law.

Today the only democratic institutions in Venezuela due to their constitutional origin, their composition in accordance with constitutional procedures and their functions are: the National Assembly (a result of the elections of December 2015); the legitimate Supreme Court of Justice (in exile and whose magistrates were designated by the National Assembly); and the Attorney General (also in exile and illegitimately dismissed by the fraudulent National Constituent Assembly.)

Only the acts of these three institutions have the legitimacy and legality that demand compliance by all state entities in Venezuela, and their validation by the Inter-American and international community.

Venezuela is a dictatorship, the National Constituent Assembly was elected through fraud, and the Executive Power and the Electoral Power have illegitimate origins and the procedures for the composition of their highest magistrates have been either unconstitutional or fraudulent.

In addition to principles and values, there is a need to translate the legal and political consequences of the breakdown of the institutional order in Venezuela into practice.

In recent days we have witnessed spurious extradition requests made by the illegitimate supreme court of justice of the dictatorship headed by its illegal president Maikel Moreno.

These "extradition requests" linked to the alleged attack against Nicolás Maduro are flawed and should be ignored by the international community because the body that issues them is fraudulent, its members are impostors, and their positions illegal.

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Humanitarian Response – Budget Constraint Strategies

Optimal Targeting under Budget Constraints in a Humanitarian Context

World Bank - Policy Research Working Paper 8191 :: 25 pages

Chiara Gagliarano, Paolo Verme

Abstract

The combination of conflict, food insecurity, and displacement generates competing claims for financial resources that stretch the donors' ability to provide funding and the humanitarian organizations' capacity to provide social assistance. The paper uses Receiver Operating Characteristic curves and related indexes to determine the optimal targeting strategy of a food voucher program for refugees.

The estimations focus on the 2014 food vouchers administered by the World Food Programme to Syrian refugees in Jordan. The analysis uses data collected by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Based on a poverty model, Receiver Operating Characteristic curves are used to optimize coverage and leakage rates under budget constraints. The paper shows how policy makers can use these instruments to fine-tune targeting using coverage rates, budgets, or poverty lines as guiding principles to increase the overall efficiency of a program. As humanitarian organizations operate under increasing budget constraints and increasing demands for efficiency, the proposed approach addresses both concerns.

The Policy Research Working Paper Series disseminates the findings of work in progress to encourage the exchange of ideas about development issues. An objective of the series is to get the findings out quickly, even if the presentations are less than fully polished. The papers carry the names of the authors and should be cited accordingly. The findings, interpretations, and conclusions expressed in this paper are entirely those of the authors. They do not necessarily represent the views of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development/World Bank and its affiliated organizations, or those of the Executive Directors of the World Bank or the governments they represent.

New Study Looks at How to Optimally Target Humanitarian Assistance When Budgets are Stretched – World Bank

Date: August 23, 2018 Type: Publication

As violent conflict surges, the world today faces multiple related crises - from forced displacement to food insecurity - that are driving up the need for humanitarian assistance. Yet budgets remain constrained, and humanitarian organizations are increasingly being forced to make tough choices, having to target resources as universal coverage of assistance programs becomes the exception rather than the rule.

In such situations, improving targeting can make the difference between life and death for some displaced people, says a new World Bank working paper, [Optimal Targeting under Budget Constraints in a Humanitarian Context](#).

The paper aims to contribute to making targeting more effective when budgets are stretched. It utilizes Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) curves and related indices to devise a methodology for optimizing coverage, poverty reduction and leakage, focusing on social protection programs (cash transfers).

The proposed methodology can be used when policy makers work with coverage, poverty or budget targets. It looks at questions such as: (i) What is the budget required to reduce poverty (or mitigate famine) by X percent? (ii) What is the budget required to increase household coverage by Y percent? (iii) What is the coverage or poverty reduction we can obtain with a given Z budget? (iv) Can the program's efficiency be improved by shifting the poverty line? The answers can help donors take funding decisions and humanitarian organizations make targeting choices.

As a case study, the paper uses the food voucher program administered by the World Food Programme (WFP) to Syrian refugees in Jordan in 2014, to show how this method can be applied, relying on available micro data collected by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

The paper cautions that this method cannot be applied in all contexts. Quality micro data is not always available and outcomes such as nutrition levels may be more important than poverty reduction in emergency situations.

But all humanitarian operations with budget limitations that use cash or food vouchers as a form of social protection face the same targeting challenges, and operations may need to rely on less accurate targeting criteria.

"As we work with UNHCR and partners to improve the quality of micro data, this paper implicitly shows that collecting income or consumption data can also lead to improvements in the measurement of outcomes and in the effectiveness of targeting," said co-author Paul Verme, World Bank lead economist.

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Development – Disruptive Technologies

World Bank Prices First Global Blockchain Bond, Raising A\$110 Million

[Editor's text bolding]

WASHINGTON/SYDNEY, August 23/24, 2018 - The World Bank launched bond-i (blockchain operated new debt instrument), the world's first bond to be created, allocated, transferred and managed through its life cycle using distributed ledger technology. The two-year bond raised A\$110 million, marking the first time that investors have supported the World Bank's development activities in a transaction that is fully managed using the blockchain technology.

The World Bank mandated Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) as arranger for the bond on August 10. The announcement was followed by a two-week consultation period with the market, with key investors indicating strong support for the issuance.

Investors in the bond include CBA, First State Super, NSW Treasury Corporation, Northern Trust, QBE, SAFA, and Treasury Corporation of Victoria. CBA and the World Bank will continue to welcome investor interest in the bond throughout its life cycle, and inquiries from other market participants in relation to the platform.

The bond is part of a broader strategic focus of the World Bank to harness the potential of disruptive technologies for development. In June 2017, the World Bank launched a

Blockchain Innovation Lab to understand the impact of blockchain and other disruptive technologies in areas such as land administration, supply chain management, health, education, cross-border payments, and carbon market trading.

Arunma Oteh, World Bank Treasurer, said: "I am delighted that this pioneer bond transaction using the distributed ledger technology, bond-i, was extremely well received by investors. We are particularly impressed with the breath of interest from official institutions, fund managers, and banks. We were no doubt successful in moving from concept to reality because these high-quality investors understood the value of leveraging technology for innovation in capital markets..."

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Featured Journal Content – GBV Services Delivery

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 7, 1 September 2018,
<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/7>

Original Articles

[Evaluation of a mobile approach to gender-based violence service delivery among Syrian refugees in Lebanon](#)

[Pamela Lilleston](#) [plillston@gmail.com]; [Liliane Winograd](#); [Spogmay Ahmed](#); [Dounia Salamé](#); [Dayana Al Alam](#) ...

Health Policy and Planning, Volume 33, Issue 7, 1 September 2018, Pages 767–776,
<https://doi.org/10.1093/heapol/czy050>

Abstract

As the landscape of humanitarian response shifts from camp-based to urban- and informal-tented settlement-based responses, service providers and policymakers must consider creative modes for delivering health services. Psychosocial support and case management can be life-saving services for refugee women and girls who are at increased risk for physical, sexual and psychological gender-based violence (GBV). However, these services are often unavailable in non-camp refugee settings. We evaluated an innovative mobile service delivery model for GBV response and mitigation implemented by the International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Lebanon. In October 2015, we conducted in-depth interviews with IRC staff (n=11), Syrian refugee women (n=40) and adolescent girls (n=26) to explore whether the mobile services meet the support needs of refugees and uphold international standards for GBV service delivery. Recruitment was conducted via purposive sampling. Data were analysed using deductive and inductive approaches in NVivo. Findings suggest that by providing free, flexible service delivery in women's own communities, the mobile model overcame barriers that limited women's and girls' access to essential services, including transportation, checkpoints, cost and gendered expectations around mobility and domestic responsibilities. Participants described the services as strengthening social networks, reducing feelings of idleness and isolation, and increasing knowledge and self-confidence. Results indicate that the model requires skilled, creative staff who can assess community readiness for activities, quickly build trust and ensure confidentiality in contexts of displacement and disruption. Referring survivors to legal and medical services was challenging in a context with limited access to quality services. The IRC's mobile service delivery model is a promising approach for accessing hard-to-reach refugee populations with critical GBV services.

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Featured Journal Content – Heritage Stewardship

PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

<http://www.pnas.org/content/early/>

[Accessed 25 Aug 2018]

[A monumental cemetery built by eastern Africa's first herders near Lake Turkana, Kenya](#)

Elisabeth A. Hildebrand, Katherine M. Grillo, Elizabeth A. Sawchuk, Susan K. Pfeiffer, Lawrence B. Conyers, Steven T. Goldstein, Austin Chad Hill, Anneke Janzen, Carla E. Klehm, Mark Helper, Purity Kiura, Emmanuel Ndiema, Cecilia Ngugi, John J. Shea, and Hong Wang
PNAS August 20, 2018. 201721975; published ahead of print August 20, 2018.

<https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1721975115>

Significance

Archaeologists have long sought monumental architecture's origins among societies that were becoming populous, sedentary, and territorial. In sub-Saharan Africa, however, dispersed pastoralists pioneered monumental construction. Eastern Africa's earliest monumental site was built by the region's first herders ~5,000–4,300 y ago as the African Humid Period ended and Lake Turkana's shoreline receded. Lothagam North Pillar Site was a massive communal cemetery with megalithic pillars, stone circles, cairns, and a mounded platform accommodating an estimated several hundred burials. Its mortuary cavity held individuals of mixed ages/sexes, with diverse adornments. Burial placement and ornamentation do not suggest social hierarchy. Amidst profound landscape changes and the socioeconomic uncertainties of a moving pastoral frontier, monumentality was an important unifying force for eastern Africa's first herders.

Abstract

Monumental architecture is a prime indicator of social complexity, because it requires many people to build a conspicuous structure commemorating shared beliefs. Examining monumentality in different environmental and economic settings can reveal diverse reasons for people to form larger social units and express unity through architectural display. In multiple areas of Africa, monumentality developed as mobile herders created large cemeteries and practiced other forms of commemoration. The motives for such behavior in sparsely populated, unpredictable landscapes may differ from well-studied cases of monumentality in predictable environments with sedentary populations. Here we report excavations and ground-penetrating radar surveys at the earliest and most massive monumental site in eastern Africa. Lothagam North Pillar Site was a communal cemetery near Lake Turkana (northwest Kenya) constructed 5,000 years ago by eastern Africa's earliest pastoralists. Inside a platform ringed by boulders, a 119.5-m² mortuary cavity accommodated an estimated minimum of 580 individuals. People of diverse ages and both sexes were buried, and ornaments accompanied most individuals. There is no evidence for social stratification. The uncertainties of living on a "moving frontier" of early herding—exacerbated by dramatic environmental shifts—may have spurred people to strengthen social networks that could provide information and assistance. Lothagam North Pillar Site would have served as both an arena for interaction and a tangible reminder of shared identity.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

[Polio this week as of 23 August 2018](#) [GPEI]

Summary of new viruses this week:

Afghanistan – two new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) positive environmental samples. **Democratic Republic of the Congo** – circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 detected in the stool samples of two healthy contacts of two different negative AFP cases.

Nigeria – one new case of cVDPV2, and two new cVDPV2 positive environmental samples. **Somalia** – one new case of cVDPV2. See country sections below for more details.

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[WHO Grade 3 Emergencies](#) [to 25 Aug 2018]

The Syrian Arab Republic

:: Critical funding shortage threatens WHO's response in northwest Syria

20 August 2018 – As the conflict in northwest Syria escalates, WHO is appealing for US\$ 11 million to provide life-saving health care to people in parts of Aleppo, Hama, Idleb and Lattakia governorates.

Hundreds of thousands of people, many of whom have been previously displaced, may be displaced yet again as they flee growing insecurity and violence. The situation in Idleb is particularly dire; more than half a million people have been displaced to and within the governorate since January 2017...

Iraq - *No new announcements identified*

Nigeria - *No new announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new announcements identified*

Yemen - *No new announcements identified*

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[WHO Grade 2 Emergencies](#) [to 25 Aug 2018]

Myanmar

:: Major outbreaks averted, thousands of lives saved; but Rohingyas continue to be vulnerable: WHO
24 August 2018

Ukraine

:: Measles cases hit record high in the European Region 20 August 2018

Cameroon - *No new announcements identified*

Central African Republic - *No new announcements identified.*

Democratic Republic of the Congo - *No new announcements identified*

Ethiopia - *No new announcements identified.*

Libya - *No new announcements identified.*

Niger - *No new announcements identified.*

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[UN OCHA – L3 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.

Yemen

:: Yemen Humanitarian Update Covering 9 - 15 August 2018 |

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new announcements identified.*

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UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies

When the USG/ERC declares a Corporate Emergency Response, all OCHA offices, branches and sections provide their full support to response activities both at HQ and in the field.

Ethiopia - *No new announcements identified.*

Somalia - *No new announcements identified.*

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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

[to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.un.org/en/>

23 August 2018

SC/13463

ISIL Now 'A Covert Global Network' Despite Significant Losses, United Nations Counter-Terrorism Head Tells Security Council

Despite suffering "significant" losses, Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL/Da'esh) has morphed from a regional group into a covert global network, with a weakened yet enduring core in Iraq and Syria, the head of United Nations counter-terrorism told the Security Council today.

22 August 2018

SC/13460

Amid Recent Violence, 'Dangerously Short Supply' of Fuel, Medicine in Gaza, Donors Must Scale Up Aid Deliveries, Under-Secretary-General Tells Security Council

Warning that fuel and medicine are in "dangerously short supply" in the Gaza Strip, the senior United Nations political affairs official urged international donors today to boost their aid deliveries, while calling on Israelis and Palestinians to exercise maximum restraint amid the recent spate of violence.

22 August 2018

SG/SM/19178-HQ/724-ORG/1674

Calling World Body's Fallen Chief 'A Voice for the Voiceless', Secretary-General Says Kofi Annan Placed People at Centre of United Nations, Embodied Its Values

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

[Botswana minorities need boost in education and health care, says UN expert urging Bill of Right](#)

[UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein on the dynamic, irreplaceable Kofi Annan](#)

[Iran sanctions are unjust and harmful, says UN expert warning against generalised economic war](#)

[UN disability rights committee to review Algeria, Bulgaria, Malta, Philippines, Poland, South Africa, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia](#)

[Family reunions between North and South Koreans welcomed by UN Special Rapporteur](#)

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRC/Pages/CRCIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/culturalrights/pages/srculturalrightsindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children

[to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/virtual-library/press-release-archive/>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Health/Pages/SRRightHealthIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

SRSB/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict
[to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/media/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

UN OCHA [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.unocha.org/media-centre/press-releases>

Selected Press Releases

25 August 2018

[South Sudan: The Humanitarian Coordinator calls for unhindered and safe humanitarian access](#)

21 August 2018

[US\\$ 4.5 million needed urgently to prevent life-saving services in the Gaza Strip from shutting down](#)

20 August 2018

[South Sudan: Humanitarian Coordinator calls for an end to attacks against civilians and aid workers on World Humanitarian Day](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://centre.humdata.org/>

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

Statement

[Statement by UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore, on latest deadly attacks on children in Yemen](#)

“The lives of the thousands of vulnerable children across Yemen should be a priority for all.”

24/08/2018

Press release

[Investment in education desperately needed to avert “lost generation” of Rohingya children – UNICEF](#)

One year after mass exodus from Myanmar, the futures of more than 500,000 refugee children in Bangladesh are in the balance

22/08/2018

Statement

Statement by UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore on the passing of former United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan

18/08/2018

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html>

Press releases and news comments

UNHCR relieved at disembarkation of rescued persons from Diciotti 26 Aug 2018

UNHCR calls on Europe to stand by humanitarian principles, receive rescued Diciotti passengers 25 Aug 2018

Burundian refugee returns must be voluntary and sustainable 24 Aug 2018

Briefing Notes

Rohingya emergency one year on: Asia's most recent refugee crisis warrants international solidarity and progress on solutions 24 Aug 2018

Spiralling violence puts millions at risk in Ebola-hit eastern DRC 24 Aug 2018

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.iom.int/press-room/press-releases>

Selected Announcements

Rohingya Crisis: One Year On

2018-08-24 14:55

Cox's Bazar – One year into a crisis that has seen over 700,000 refugees escape violence in Myanmar by fleeing into Bangladesh, the Rohingya once more stand on the verge of another disaster if more funding for the humanitarian response cannot be secured.

Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 65,576 in 2018; Deaths Reach 1,546

2018-08-24 14:50

Geneva – IOM, the UN Migration Agency, reports that 65,576 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea in 2018 through 22 August, with 27,577 to Spain, the leading destination this year.

UNHCR and IOM Chiefs Call for More Support as the Outflow of Venezuelans Rises Across the Region

2018-08-23 18:16

Geneva - The UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi and the Director General of the United Nations Migration Agency, IOM, William Lacy Swing appealed for greater support from the international community to the countries and communities in the region receiving a growing...

UNAIDS [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unaids.org/en>

21 August 2018

[Smithsonian exhibition features UNAIDS data in a look at various viruses](#)

20 August 2018

[Kofi Annan's AIDS legacy](#)

WHO & Regional Offices [to 25 Aug 2018]

24 August 2018 | *News Release*

[Samoa rolls out triple drug therapy to accelerate elimination of lymphatic filariasis](#)

20 August 2018 | *News Release*

[Measles cases hit record high in the European Region](#)

[*See Milestones above for more detail*]

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

Selected Featured News

:: [WHO provides medicines and equipment for Ebola preparedness and control of Malaria & Neglected Tropical Diseases in Tanzania](#) 24 August 2018

:: [Uganda heightens Ebola preparedness response](#) 23 August 2018

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: [PAHO urges rapid increase in vaccination coverage to stop spread of measles in the Americas](#) (08/24/2018)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: [Major outbreaks averted, thousands of lives saved; but Rohingyas continue to be vulnerable: WHO Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, 24 August 2018](#)

WHO European Region EURO

:: [Strengthening human resources for rehabilitation in Tajikistan](#) 23-08-2018

:: [Q&A: Transforming the health system for better antenatal care in Georgia](#) 22-08-2018

:: [West Nile virus infections spike in southern and central Europe](#) 21-08-2018

:: [Measles cases hit record high in the European Region](#) 20-08-2018

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

No new digest content identified.

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: [Federated States of Micronesia forges a way forward to health security in the Pacific](#)

20 August 2018 – The Federated States of Micronesia has become the first Pacific island country to complete a Joint External Evaluation (JEE). JEEs are voluntary, and involve a team of local and international experts working together to evaluate the country's preparedness for outbreaks and health emergencies...

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2018/>

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unfpa.org/press/press-release>

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/presscenter.html>

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

[Asako Okai takes the helm of UNDP's Crisis Bureau](#)

Ms. Asako Okai officially began her role today as UNDP's Assistant Administrator and Director for the Crisis Bureau. In this role, she will lead UNDP's corporate crisis-related work and drive UNDP's...

Posted on August 22, 2018

[Ulrika Mod er Assumes Role Leading UNDP's External Relations and Advocacy](#)

Ms. Ulrika Mod er officially began her role today as UNDP's Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy. In this role she will lead the organisation in...

Posted on August 20, 2018

[UNDP Staff Mourn Death of former Secretary-General Kofi Annan, "your unwavering dedication to peace made us all stronger"](#)

The staff of UNDP join family and friends in mourning the death of former Secretary-General Kofi Annan who passed away peacefully after a short illness, according to a statement published on his...

Posted on August 20, 2018

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/>

No new digest content identified.

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://unsdsn.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm>

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm>

<http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/>

[Eighth meeting of the IAEG-SDGs](#)

The eighth meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs), will be held from 5 to 8 November 2018 in Stockholm, Sweden. The meeting will be hosted by Statistics Sweden.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.unenvironment.org/>

24 Aug 2018 | *Press release*

[Primates in peril: highlighting endangered species at International Primatological Congress](#)

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unisdr.org/archive>

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.un.org/development/desa/en/news.html>

No new digest content identified.

UNESCO [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://en.unesco.org/news>

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[Artificial Intelligence: The promises and the threats](#)

18 August 2018

[On the passing of Kofi Annan: the world loses a great defender of peace and modern multilateralism](#)

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/press/allpress.html?ref=fp>

22/08/2018 –

[UNODC Monitoring Survey reports a slight increase of coca bush cultivation in Bolivia during 2017](#)

21/08/2018 –

[Statement of the UNODC Executive Director on International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism](#)

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://unhabitat.org/media-centre/news/>

Posted August 24, 2018

[Time to create safe spaces for the young generation of Kenyans](#)

The world celebrates International Youth Day this month with calls for the creation of safe spaces for youth. Young people in Kenya comprise the largest part of the entire population, with three quarters being under the age...

[International planning experts promote Planning Guidelines in Japan and China](#)

Fukuoka, Japan 22 August 2018—A group of experts and government representatives from around the world recently gathered in Fukuoka for the first ever Global Symposium on Urban and Territorial Planning. This was a follow-up to an event...

Posted August 22, 2018

[Statement by UN-Habitat Executive Director Maimunah Moh'd Sharif on the passing of former United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan](#)

I join the Secretary-General of the United Nations Mr. Antonio Gutierrez in expressing my profound sorrow at the news of the death of the former United Nations Secretary-General and Nobel Peace Prize winner, Kofi Annan. He was an...

Posted August 19, 2018

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/23-08-2018>

[In Africa, agricultural businesses can stem the tide of migration](#)

"We firmly believe that if you [the youth] are provided these opportunities, you will not leave the continent to look for opportunities elsewhere. We have the means to provide those opportunities right here where you can see and participate in the future of your countries and the continent", Graziano da Silva said.

[Unleashing the great potential of Africa's youth to achieve sustainable development](#)

"We need to take action to make agriculture more attractive to young people. They must perceive agriculture as a remunerative and profitable sector and the dissemination of information and communication technologies (ICTs) in rural areas play an important role in this regard," Graziano da Silva said.

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ILO International Labour Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/lang--en/index.htm>

Youth employment

[McDonald's ties up with the Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth](#)

22 August 2018

Leading quick-service restaurant brand joins 43 partners who have pledged to reduce barriers to decent employment for youth while boosting access to decent work around the globe.

India Wage Report

[ILO: Strong wage policies are key to promote inclusive growth in India](#)

20 August 2018

Despite real wage growth, inequality, informality and gender wage gap persist.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.icao.int/>

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[ICAO Secretary General encourages Hong Kong's leadership to explore sustainable development opportunities](#)

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://public.wmo.int/en/media/press-release>

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.unido.org/news-centre/news.html>

No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 25 Aug 2018]

https://www.iso.org/news_archive/x/

By Clare Naden on 22 August 2018

[Reducing carbon footprint made easier with new International Standard](#)

ISO 14067:2018, Greenhouse gases – Carbon footprint of products – Requirements and guidelines for quantification, has just been published as an International Standard, providing globally agreed principles, requirements and guidelines for the quantification and reporting of the carbon footprint of a product (CFP). It will give organizations of all kinds a means to calculate the carbon footprint of their products and provide a better understanding of ways in which they can reduce it.

By Clare Naden on 21 August 2018

[ISO 50001 for energy management gets a boost](#)

Reducing energy consumption and improving energy efficiency are at the forefront of the global climate change agenda. ISO 50001, the flagship International Standard for improving energy performance, has just been updated.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://media.unwto.org/news>

No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/>

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.cbd.int/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.usaid.gov/news-information>

Selected Press Releases

[U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green's Remarks at a "Celebrating World Humanitarian Day" Event](#)

August 20, 2018

DFID [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development>

Selected Press Releases

[UK calls on the international community to prioritise long-term support for the Rohingya people on the anniversary of the crisis](#)

24 August 2018 DFID Press release

[UK's commitment to back Britain's world class aid organisations in the event of a "no deal"](#)

23 August 2018 DFID Press release

The International Development Secretary makes a commitment to protect Britain's world class aid organisations in the unlikely event that we reach March 2019 without agreeing a deal with the EU.

ECHO [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://ec.europa.eu/echo/en/news>

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.au.int/>

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August 20, 2018

[African Union mourns the death of Aretha Franklin](#)

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.asean.org/news>

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[ASEAN, partners call for robust implementation of SDGs by local governments](#)

SIEM REAP, 21 AUGUST 2018 – ASEAN, together with its dialogue partner China and the UNDP called on local governments of the region to take a more active role in poverty alleviation programmes as espoused by the sustainable development goals (SDGs) agenda. The call was made at a symposium held today in Siem Reap, Cambodia. [...]

European Commission [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://europa.eu/rapid/search-result.htm?query=18&locale=en&page=1>

22/08/2018

[Joint statement by First Vice-President Timmermans and Commissioner Jourová ahead of the Europe-Wide Day of Remembrance for the victims of all totalitarian and authoritarian regimes](#)

European Commission - Statement Brussels, 22 August 2018 "Each year on this day, we pay tribute to the victims of all totalitarian regimes and recall with sorrow the terrible consequences of the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact, signed on 23 August 1939 by Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union.

OECD [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.oecd.org/>

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No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.oas.org/en/>

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[Venezuela: General Secretariat Urges Countries to Ignore Extradition Requests from the Dictatorship](#)

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

August 20. 2018

[Permanent Council to Discuss Linkages between Human Rights and the Environment and Receives Presentation on Prometea Artificial Intelligence System](#)

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.oic-oci.org/home/?lan=en>

No new digest content identified.

Group of 77 [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.g77.org/>

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://unctad.org/en/Pages/AllPressRelease.aspx>

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No new digest content identified.*

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.wcoomd.org/>

Selected Latest News

24 August 2018

WCO publishes new guides supporting the implementation of AEO programmes and MRAs

The WCO has published two key documents that will provide detailed guidance and further support for the implementation of Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programmes and their complementary Mutual Recognition Arrangements/Agreements (MRAs) in a more effective and harmonized manner globally: the Customs AEO Validator Guide and the MRA Strategy Guide...

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 25 Aug 2018]

http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news_e.htm

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DG Azevêdo pays tribute to Kofi Annan

WTO Director General Roberto Azevêdo paid tribute to former U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who passed away on 18 August.

20 August 2018

Turkey initiates WTO dispute complaint against additional US duties on steel, aluminium

Turkey has requested WTO dispute consultations with the United States concerning additional import duties imposed by the United States on steel and aluminum products. The request was circulated to WTO members on 20 August.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ipu.org/news/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.icj-cij.org/en/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 25 Aug 2018]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

<https://www.icc-cpi.int/>

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all>

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Supporting National HIV/AIDS Prevention in Botswana: \$50 million in IBRD Sustainable Development Bonds

Development Challenge The Botswana HIV/AIDS epidemic is diverse, with the highest infection rates occurring in the northern areas of the country. Prevention is the weakest element of the national response...

Date: August 24, 2018 Type: Result Brief Language: English

New Study Looks at How to Optimally Target Humanitarian Assistance When Budgets are Stretched

As violent conflict surges, the world today faces multiple related crises - from forced displacement to food insecurity - that are driving up the need for humanitarian assistance. Yet budgets remain constrained...

Date: August 23, 2018 Type: Publication

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

World Bank Prices First Global Blockchain Bond, Raising A\$110 Million

WASHINGTON/SYDNEY, August 23/24, 2018 - The World Bank launched bond-i (blockchain operated new debt instrument), the world's first bond to be created, allocated, transferred and managed through its life...

Date: August 23, 2018 Type: Press Release Language: English

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

IMF [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.imf.org/en/News/Search?type=News+Article>

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No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank Group [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

African Development Bank and Namibia Government sign USD 217.8 Million loan to boost economic governance in Namibia

22/08/2018 - The Government of the Republic of Namibia and the African Development Bank have signed a loan agreement worth US\$ 217.8 million (ZAR 3 billion) to finance the second phase of the Namibia Economic Governance and Competitiveness Support Programme (EGCSP II).

Asian Development Bank [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.adb.org/news/releases>

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20 Aug 2018

[Philippine PPP Policy Gets a Boost from ADB's \\$300 Million Loan](#)

ADB's Board of Directors has approved a \$300 million loan to support the Philippines' efforts to strengthen the framework under which the private sector can participate in the government's "Build, Build, Build..."

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/index.html>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ifad.org/web/latest/news>

No new digest content identified.

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:: 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. WE will not reference fundraising announcements, programs, events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://amref.org/news/news/>

Thursday, 23 August, 2018

[Amref International University to launch Health Journalism Course](#)

Amref International University is set to offer short-courses for health journalists – facilitating them to generate factual and non-sensational reports.

The training institution, in partnership with Health Systems Advocacy Partnership (HSAP) project, has already developed a training curriculum – Model Curricula for Journalism Education: A Certificate in Health Reporting...

Monday, 20 August, 2018

[Reflections from MDI 2018: Solving Africa's Health Challenges](#)

As part of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), UN members have committed to achieving Universal Health Coverage by 2030. How will African countries reach this goal? Johnson & Johnson's [Management Development Institute \(MDI\)](#) believes that by providing health workers with the management and leadership skills and tools, the efficiency and effectiveness with which scarce resources are used will improve thus strengthening overall health systems.

The MDI for East African healthcare professionals took place August 5-11, 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. The training is delivered by [Amref Health Africa](#) using professors from GBSN member schools including the [Chandaria School of Business at USIU-A](#), [Strathmore Business School](#) and [GIMPA](#)...

Aravind Eye Care System [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.aravind.org/default/currentnewscontent>

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.brac.net/#news>

No new digest content identified.

CARE International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.care-international.org/news/press-releases>

23rd Aug 2018

[CARE calls for voluntary, informed and respectful repatriation of Myanmar refugees](#)

As refugees from Myanmar complete one year in Bangladesh, their return to Myanmar with safety and dignity still remains a major concern for CARE and other humanitarian organizations.

Clubhouse International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.clubhouse-intl.org/news.html>

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.drc.dk/news>

22.08.2018

[DRC Introduces New Leading Think Tank on Mixed Migration](#)

Population movements are becoming more and more complex. There is rarely one reason to why people feel forced to leave their home, but the paths they take and obstacles they meet are often the same. As an international human rights organization dedicated to assist the ever-growing number of refugees, data is a vital tool to find out who needs help and where. To collect and analyze this data, the Danish Refugee Council has established the Mixed Migration Centre and is thereby taking a major step to become a leading global think tank in the field.

ECPAT [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ecpat.net/news>

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.fountainhouse.org/about/news-press>

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 25 Aug 2018]

http://www.handicap-international.us/press_releases

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/press/press-releases.html>

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.helpage.org/newsroom/press-room/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.icrc.org/en/whats-new>

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

Implementing IHL in West Africa

Since 2001, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission have collaborated on implementation of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in ECOWAS Member States.

21-08-2018 | *Article*

States must act responsibly at every step along the arms transfer chain

Fourth Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty. Statement by Dr Helen Durham, ICRC Director of International Law and Policy. Syria, Yemen, Iraq, South Sudan, Somalia and Ukraine are marred by war.

21-08-2018 | *Article*

ICRC concerned at gap between commitments and practice of Arms Trade Treaty

Speaking today at a meeting of parties to the Arms Trade Treaty in Tokyo, Japan, Dr Helen Durham, Head of Law and Policy for the ICRC, highlighted concerns with the growing gap between words and actions in the global trade of arms.

20-08-2018 | *News release*

IFRC [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>

25 August 2018

IFRC President Statement: Diciotti/ Italy: "States are putting politics before humanity"

Geneva,– The following can be attributed to Francesco Rocca, the President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies: "For the last ten days more than 150 vulnerable people have been stranded aboard the Di ...

Asia Pacific, DPRK

[Communities at risk of floods and landslides after typhoon Soulik in DPRK](#)

Beijing/Kuala Lumpur, 23 August 2018 – Flash floods and landslides pose risks to vulnerable communities in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) as typhoon Soulik brings torrential rain. Mohamed Babiker, Head of the International Federation ...
24 August 2018

Asia Pacific, DPRK

[Red Cross on alert for Typhoon Soulik](#)

Beijing / Kuala Lumpur / Geneva, 23 August 2018 – Vulnerable communities on the Korean peninsula are braced for the impact of Typhoon Soulik, expected to make landfall in South Korea at midnight on 23 August and move northeastwards to the Democratic Pe ...
23 August 2018

Asia Pacific, Bangladesh

[Cox's Bazar: 12 months in some of the most cramped and dangerously exposed conditions on earth](#)

Ahead of the anniversary of the start of the Rakhine crisis, the world's largest humanitarian network is calling for an urgent political solution to a situation that has forced hundreds of thousands of people into some of the most cramped and dangerously exposed conditions on earth.
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IRC International Rescue Committee [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.rescue.org/press-release-index>

Selected Press Releases & Statements

Perspective

[Rohingya Crisis: IRC on what is needed one year in](#)

August 25, 2018

Statement

[IRC horrified by reports of Yemeni civilians killed during anti-Houthi operations in Durayhimi City yesterday](#)

August 24, 2018

IRCT [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.irct.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.islamic-relief.org/>

Latest News

Eid Mubarak from the Islamic Relief Family

At this blessed time of year we would like to wish you Eid Mubarak.

Kerala floods: food aid for families affected

India

A local aid agency supported by Islamic Relief is on the ground in flood-ravaged Kerala, distributing food to families affected by the worst floods in the southern Indian state since 1924.

Honouring Staff on World Humanitarian Day

Latest News

This World Humanitarian Day, August 19, let us take a moment to remember and appreciate the risks that all aid workers, wherever they are in the world, take when working in areas of instability or conflict.

Landsea [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.landesa.org/press-and-media-categories/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.medecinsdumonde.org/>

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.msf.org/>

Selected Press Releases/Statements

Rohingya refugee crisis

One year on, Rohingya refugees live in dire camps, facing an uncertain future and legal limbo

Project Update 24 Aug 2018

Ethiopia

Nearly one million displaced people in urgent need of assistance

Project Update 23 Aug 2018

Mercy Corps [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases>

Press releases

Mercy Corps applauds introduction of the Global Fragility and Violence Reduction Act

WASHINGTON – The global organization Mercy Corps applauds yesterday's introduction of the Global Fragility and Violence Reduction Act of 2018 (S.3368) by Senators Chris Coons (D-DE), Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Todd Young (R-IN) in the United States Senate. This bipartisan, landmark legislation directs the creation of a U.S. government-wide strategy to prevent and reduce violent conflict. The bill (H.R. 5273) was previously introduced in the U.S.

Bangladesh: Fear and Suffering Remain, One Year Into Rohingya Crisis

DHAKA, Bangladesh—A year into the Rohingya crisis, the humanitarian response remains woefully underfunded and young refugees in particular still struggle to cope with what they have seen and experienced.

Operation Smile [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.operationssmile.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 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.oxfam.org/en/pressroom/pressreleases>

Selected News/Announcements

21 August 2018

Fresh quakes in Lombok increase need for urgent aid

Strong earthquakes and aftershocks continued to rattle Lombok sending its people, already reeling from the massive destruction in the previous weeks, running scared for their lives.

20 August 2018

\$72 million needed to protect Rohingya refugee women missing out on vital aid

Rohingya women living in Bangladesh are developing health problems, missing out on aid and are at greater risk of abuse due to unsafe and unsuitable facilities in many parts of the refugee camps, Oxfam warned today.

The international agency called for 15 per cent of new funding to be set aside for humanitarian programs designed to better support women and girls – including \$72 million of the nearly half a billion dollars recently committed by the World Bank. Currently, there is no standalone budget for meeting women's specific needs in the overall emergency response.

The Bangladesh government and agencies have provided emergency aid to more than 700,000 Rohingya people who have arrived over the past year, but the speed at which the world's biggest refugee camp sprang up has made it difficult for support to keep pace...

The full findings and recommendations will be set out in Oxfam's report, *One year On: Time To Put Women and Girls At The Heart Of The Rohingya Response*, which is due to be published next month. Research led by Oxfam, *Rohingya Refugee Response Gender Analysis: Recognizing and responding to gender inequalities*, with Action Against Hunger, Save the Children and contributions from CARE, UNHCR, ISCG and UN Women, was published earlier this month. Survey data was collected from 482 households across 15 different camps.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.nrc.no/>

Selected News/Announcements

Bangladesh/Myanmar | 24. Aug 2018

Cox's Bazar: The world's largest refugee settlement

The mass human exodus that began last autumn from Myanmar to Bangladesh has turned Cox's Bazar into the world's largest refugee settlement.

Yemen | 24. Aug 2018

No justification for killing of civilians in Yemen

The Norwegian Refugee Council is appalled by recent media reports of killings of civilians by parties to the conflict in Yemen.

Somalia | 24. Aug 2018

Reintegrated after 18 years in displacement

"Before, the locals saw me as a refugee and they would not trust me when I asked for loans or provide me with work." After 18 years displaced in Somalia, Aisha and her family finally became fully integrated members of their host community.

Bangladesh/Myanmar | 22. Aug 2018

Rohingya refugees left in limbo one year on

Aid funding for refugee relief is running out while conditions are still not in place for the safe return of over 700,000 people forced to flee Myanmar to neighbouring Bangladesh after violence broke out one year ago, warns the Norwegian Refugee Council.

Central African Republic | 21. Aug 2018

Returning to school in a conflict area

In December of 2013, Boulbena Edith, a 12-year-old girl, had to drop out of school when her family fled their home in Sibut in the Central African Republic (CAR) after armed clashes.

Pact [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.pactworld.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.pih.org/blog>

No new digest content identified.

PATH [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.path.org/media-center/>

August 20, 2018 by PATH

Lower price for nutrition assessment tool expands global access

PATH and Quansys Biosciences, Inc. improve access of the Q-Plex™ Human Micronutrient Array for low- and middle-income countries with a new price of US\$1.43 per analyte

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre>

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.savethechildren.net/news>

Wednesday 22 August 2018

[Alarming number of Rohingya children orphaned by brutal violence – Save the Children study](#)

COX'S BAZAR – One in two Rohingya children who fled to Bangladesh without their parents were orphaned by brutal violence, new research by Save the Children suggests ahead of the one-year anniversary of the crisis on Saturday.

Monday 20 August 2018

[Aid agencies ready to scale up humanitarian response after Lombok hit by two more earthquakes in a day](#)

The Indonesian island of Lombok was struck by two large earthquakes yesterday, including a magnitude 6.9 tremor in the island's north east late last night, hampering relief efforts and causing additional distress for those already reeling from the August 5 quake that killed more than 450 people.

Indonesia

Monday 20 August 2018

[Seven million children affected as Kerala floodwaters recede, revealing trail of destruction](#)

Save the Children is warning of the devastating long-term impact of Kerala's deadly flooding on children. In the past two weeks the Indian state has been hit by its worst flooding since 1924, with entire communities devastated and more than 350 people killed.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/about-sos/press/press-releases>

Zimbabwe – 23 August 2018

[Early childhood development creates a foundation for life](#)

At the SOS Maizelands Early Childhood Development Centre in Zimbabwe, teachers like Pauline Mhako support children in building their future life skills.

Sri Lanka – 21 August 2018

[Training young people for skilled work and success](#)

Developing new skills and learning a trade are key for young people to find decent work and be able to support themselves. In Sri Lanka, the SOS Vocational Training Centre (VTC) in Monaragala offers training in six professions for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds, equipping them with the skills they need to find decent employment or start their own businesses.

Tostan [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.tostan.org>

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.womenforwomen.org/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://wvi.org/>

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://cmfr-phil.org/media-ethics-responsibility/>

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

https://www.eff.org/updates?type=press_release

No new digest content identified

Freedom House [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

Press Releases

[United States: John McCain, Champion of Democracy](#)

August 26, 2018

Freedom House honors the legacy of U.S. Senator John McCain, one of the great American champions of democracy.

[Fifty Years On, the Challenges of 1968 Linger](#)

Aug 23 2018 - 10:15am

American democracy still suffers from some of the rifts that opened five decades ago.

[In Algeria, an Islamist Threat Still Looms over Domestic Politics](#)

Aug 22 2018 - 12:38pm

Fear of religious extremism helps explain the lack of democratic development in the country.

Press Releases

[Ugandan Authorities Arrest MPs after Campaign Rallies](#)

August 21, 2018

Violence and arrests following local campaign events appear to be part of the Ugandan security force's practice of targeting dissenting voices.

Transparency International [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.transparency.org/news/pressreleases/>

24 Aug 2018

[Madagascar government must take action on trafficking of precious wood](#)

Forestry - Transparency International - Initiative Madagascar and the Voahary Gasy Alliance urge all presidential candidates to publicly state their position on the issue of precious wood trafficking, and specify the measures they advocate for in order to stop the trafficking once and for all.

24 Aug 2018

[Corruption, human rights, civil society should be on Chancellor Merkel's agenda in Azerbaijan](#)

- When Angela Merkel visits Azerbaijan this weekend, the German chancellor should pressure the government over its record on human rights, corruption and treatment of activists, Transparency International said today.

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Bond [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.bond.org.uk/news>

23 August 2018

[Safeguarding: 6 priorities for transformative action](#)

Bond members came together to work on what we need to create sustainable sector-wide solutions to safeguarding.

Sarah Mistry

20 August 2018

[Fully framed: telling complete stories through images](#)

NGOs are one of the main sources of imagery from the developing world, so we must consider the images we use and how they might affect perceptions.

Tamsin Maunder

ChildFund Alliance [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

Statement

August 20, 2018

[Finding "hope at home" for vulnerable children:](#)

\$15-million joint venture led by Canadians providing hope and solutions for irregular child migration from Central America

CONCORD [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://concordeurope.org/news-and-events/>

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 25 Aug 2018]

<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

20/08/2018

[Media briefing: One year on from the Rohingya exodus](#)

One year on from the start of the most recent exodus of Rohingya refugees to Bangladesh, please find below an update on the DEC's appeal, including funds raised to date and how those funds have been spent.

:: The DEC appeal launched on 4 October 2017 and is due to close end of August 2018

:: £28 million has been raised to date (including £5 million UK Aid Match)

More than 700,000 people have now arrived in the Cox's Bazar district since 25 August 2017 and in total there are 1.3 million people in need of humanitarian assistance in the area. The Kutupalong-Balukhali expansion site, informally known as the megacamp, is now considered the world's biggest refugee camp.

In the first six months of the DEC-funded response to the crisis (October 2017-March 2018), DEC funding provided:

:: 351,500 people with food assistance - more than the population of Cardiff

:: 34,000 families with household essentials such as blankets and pots and pans

:: 124,400 people with clean drinking water and sanitation, including the construction of 90 deep tube wells

:: 19,500 families with materials to build a shelter

:: 42,300 people with free medical care and health support

:: 28,200 vulnerable people with some form of protection, including the provision of 43 'safe spaces' for vulnerable people such as women, children and older people

:: 10,700 families with vouchers to buy fresh food

The second phase of the DEC-funded response runs from April 2018 to September 2019. Plans for assistance during this period include: support to nine health facilities and two mobile clinics helping 200,000 people; 55 deep tube wells to provide clean drinking water; public and individual solar lamps to keep 11,000 people safe at night; agricultural tools and seeds as well as business grants to help 15,000 people restore their livelihoods.

Monsoon rains are falling, but it is expected that the worst is yet to come. DEC charities are assisting by reinforcing shelters; strengthening the site of the refugee settlements using sandbags and bamboo to prevent landslides; decommissioning and desludging latrines and digging deep tube wells to prevent water contamination and the spread of disease; meeting ongoing food needs.

[The full DEC 6-month report is available here.](#)

The Elders [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://theelders.org/news-media>

News 22 August 2018

[Remembering Kofi Annan](#)

Kofi Annan's passing stunned the world. Here, we compile a selection of tributes from his friends, colleagues and those inspired by his leadership.

Press release 22 August 2018

[The Elders call for restraint and justice in Zimbabwe to honour Kofi Annan's legacy](#)

Ahead of the ruling by Zimbabwe's Constitutional Court on the 30 July election result, The Elders call on political leaders to honour Kofi Annan's legacy and the aspirations of the people of Zimbabwe by acting responsibly to avert further violence.

END Fund [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://end.org/media-hub/>

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 25 Aug 2018]

www.evidenceaid.org

August 20, 2018

[Inaugural visit of Evidence Aid to Melbourne, Australia – two training courses and 13th Skip Burkle lecture](#)

Claire Allen

Gavi [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.gavi.org/library/news/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/?topic=&type=NEWS;&country=>

No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://prizecoalition.charity.org/>

An Alliance of Hilton Prize Recipients

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.ineesite.org/en/news>

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.interaction.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs>

20 Aug 18

Start Network celebrates World Humanitarian Day 2018

[Humanitarians in action all over the world](#)

by Amrina Rana

World Humanitarian Day is a chance to thank the countless aid workers around the world who help millions of people recover from crises, despite the dangers they face. Since its launch in 2014, the Start Fund has enabled Start Network members to act within days during times of crisis and helped people recover quickly.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.3ieimpact.org/en/about/>

No new digest content identified.

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.alnap.org/>

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news>

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://devinit.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.elrha.org/resource-hub/news/>

No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.sphereproject.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://phap.org/>

24 August 2018

[All In Diary: Launching the sixth edition - Recording available now](#)

On 22 August, PHAP organized an online event to discuss the All In Diary, a much-used resource in the sector, which for the past 12 years has been providing humanitarian practitioners with essential, up-to-date, and succinct guidance in a convenient format...

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Center for Global Development [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.cgdev.org/page/press-center>

August 21, 2018

Malawi's Journey Towards Transformation: Lessons from its National ID Project

Like a number of other countries, even in 2017, Malawi lacked a functioning national registry or identification system. This essay describes how a comprehensive multipurpose national ID system was implemented in 180 days, with the assistance of UNDP and other development partners.

Tariq Malik

August 20, 2018

How Do African Firms Respond to Unreliable Power? Exploring Firm Heterogeneity Using K-Means Clustering - Working Paper 493

While previous studies have found a positive relationship between the reliability of power and firm growth, we find that such a clear relationship seems not to prevail. In other words, some firms are able to cope with an unreliable supply of power while many others do not.

Vijaya Ramachandran , Manju Kedia Shah and Todd Moss

ODI [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.odi.org/media-hub/press-room>

Selected Press Releases & Reports

Dignity and the displaced Rohingya in Bangladesh

Working and discussion papers | August 2018 | Kerrie Holloway and Lilianne Fan

This case study explores how Rohingya refugees perceive dignity and whether they believe the humanitarian response in Bangladesh is upholding their dignity...

Urban Institute [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.urban.org/publications>

August 24, 2018

The Mortgage Interest Deduction: Revenue and Distributional Effects

Conventional estimates that do not fully account for this rebalancing overstate the increase in revenues associated with eliminating the MID and will also overstate the progressivity of eliminating the MID, because households with higher levels of non-residential assets might respond by selling their taxable, non-residential assets. This paper builds on previous work that estimates the consequences of removing the MID using a

Ted Gayer

August 24, 2018

Research Report

QuickTake: Fifty-Five Percent of Marketplace Enrollees Turn to Others for Information or Assistance When Enrolling in a Health Plan

This QuickTake presents findings from the March round of the Urban Institute's Health Reform Monitoring Survey. We find that 54.6 percent of 2018 Marketplace health plan enrollees nationwide received help from a source other than a website the last time they looked for information or enrollment assistance – down from 63.6 percent in 2016. This includes 10.0 percent who turned to navigators and similar professionals in 2018 – up

Rachel A. Burton, Erik Wengle, Michael Karpman

August 21, 2018
Brief

How Should Social Security Adjust When People Live Longer?

As people live longer, they spend more time in retirement, straining Social Security's finances. This brief outlines the implications of three approaches to adjusting Social Security for longer lives: making no adjustment, which has applied over most of Social Security's history; keeping constant the expected number of retirement years; and keeping constant the relative share of life in retirement. Compared to age 65 retirement

[C. Eugene Steuerle](#), [Damir Cosic](#)

August 20, 2018

Brief

A Pilot Study of Landlord Acceptance of Housing Choice Vouchers

Housing vouchers are designed to help low-income families afford decent, safe homes and have the opportunity to move out of poor neighborhoods. In theory, voucher holders can move anywhere they can find an affordable home; in practice, their housing choices are severely constrained and significantly dependent on landlords. Landlords decide if they want to accept vouchers as payment, so they have a great deal of influence over

[Mary K. Cunningham](#), [Martha M. Galvez](#), [Claudia Aranda](#), [Robert Santos](#), [Douglas A. Wissoker](#), [Alyse D. Oneto](#), [Rob Pitingolo](#), [James Crawford](#)

August 20, 2018

Research Report

How Would Indexing for Improvements in Life Expectancy Affect Trust Fund Balances?

Adjusting Social Security retirement ages as people live longer would significantly improve trust fund balances over the long run, though it would have only modest effects in the short term. By the 75th year, Social Security actuaries project that raising the retirement age by indexing it to life expectancy would reduce annual deficits by one-third to one-half, depending on the adjustment, and improve actuarial balances by one-

[C. Eugene Steuerle](#), [Damir Cosic](#)

August 20, 2018

Brief

World Economic Forum [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://agenda.weforum.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

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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.

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.alleninstitute.org/what-we-do/frontiers-group/news-press/news/>

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/Media-Center/Press-Releases>

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.aecf.org/newsroom/>

Posted August 24, 2018

[Sandra Gasca-Gonzalez to Lead Foundation's Center for Systems Innovation](#)

The Casey Foundation has appointed Sandra Gasca-Gonzalez as vice president of its Center for Systems Innovation, overseeing national and state reform efforts in child welfare and juvenile justice.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 25 Aug 2018]

<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.

Clinton Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.clintonfoundation.org/press-releases-and-statements>

Statement

August 25, 2018

[Statement from President Clinton and Secretary Clinton on the Passing of John McCain](#)

Statement

August 18, 2018

[Statement from President Clinton and Secretary Clinton on the Passing of Kofi Annan](#)

Co Impact [to 25 Aug 2018]

www.co-impact.io

Co-Impact is a global philanthropic collaborative for systems change focused on improving the lives of millions of people around the world.

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.fordfoundation.org/?filter=News>

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press>

*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
No new digest content identified.*

Grameen Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.grameenfoundation.org/news-events/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/>

August 22, 2018

[Spending, Flexibility, and Dealing with Economic Downturns](#)

By Larry Kramer

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news>

Press Release

[Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Approves New Catholic Sisters Strategy](#)

August 23, 2018

Press Release

[Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Announces Kenya-Based Grassroots Nonprofit as 2018 Recipient of \\$2 Million Hilton Humanitarian Prize](#)

August 22, 2018

IKEA Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.ikeafoundation.org/category/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.hhmi.org/news>

Aug 23 2018 *Research*

[3-D Cell Environment Crucial for Divvying Up Chromosomes – Find Could Help Explain Cancer Hallmark](#)

Summary

Epithelial cells grown on a plastic dish are worse at segregating their chromosomes than epithelial cells growing in mice, a new study shows. The results may help explain why chromosomes go awry in cancer.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release

August 23, 2018 *News Release*

Survey: One Year after Hurricane Harvey, 3 in 10 Affected Texas Gulf Coast Residents Say Their Lives Remain Disrupted

Nearly a year after Hurricane Harvey swamped the Texas Gulf Coast, a growing share of affected residents say their lives are back on track, but three in 10 (30%) say their lives remain disrupted, finds a new Kaiser Family Foundation/Episcopal Health Foundation survey of residents in 24 hard-hit Texas counties....

Aga Khan Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation>

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media#pp=10&p=1&f1=news>

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.macfound.org/>

Grantee Research

Reconciliation and Transitional Justice in Northeastern Nigeria

August 20, 2018

As violence from the Boko Haram insurgency subsides in northeastern Nigeria, a report from the Centre for Democracy and Development recommends community-based approaches to reconciliation and transitional justice. The report outlines the extent of the atrocities and how different communities and population groups experience trauma, and it assesses the readiness of the most affected regions—Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe—to pursue transitional justice. The Centre, a MacArthur grantee, suggests paths forward that keep local cultural norms and community groups at the forefront as they pursue accountability and reckoning while reintegrating the affected communities.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.moore.org/>

August 23, 2018

Understanding issues of patient safety in the home

... With foundation support, the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) gathered specialists and experts in community-based care and safety to identify strategies for improving patient safety in the home. Knowing this topic hasn't received as much attention as patient safety in hospitals and other clinical settings, participants were tasked with considering the challenges to safety in the home and providing recommendations, strategies and tools for ensuring the physical and emotional safety of patients and those caring for them...

Open Society Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/issues/media-information>

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.packard.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room>

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Opinions

No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/about-us/news-media/>

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom/news-releases.html>

August 20, 2018 *Blog Post*

[Community Resilience in the Eye of a Storm](#)

Paul Kuehnert

When Hurricane Harvey hit Houston in 2017, Harris County Public Health officials had to get creative. Read how they kept the population healthy and what they learned in the process.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://www.sciencephilanthropyalliance.org/what-we-do/news/>

"...a group of organizations working together to increase philanthropic support for basic scientific research on a global basis..."

August 23, 2018

[Is Strategic Philanthropy Heartless? \[via Inside Philanthropy\]](#)

SDG Philanthropy Platform

<http://sdgfunders.org/>

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).

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://sloan.org/about/press>

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://wellcome.ac.uk/news>

News / Published: 23 August 2018

[Expert consultation to accelerate advances in nutrition science](#)

Wellcome and the World Health Organization (WHO) are holding an expert meeting this autumn to bring together leading scientists and promising early-career researchers to invigorate nutrition science.

'Transforming Nutrition Science for Better Health' will be held at Wellcome's London office from 15-17 October. It aims to:

::generate innovative research ideas with the potential to yield new health interventions to improve the health and wellbeing of children and adults

:: stimulate interdisciplinary exploration and foster collaborative approaches

:: inspire younger researchers to pursue careers in nutrition science

:: draw public attention to the importance of nutrition and how research improves health.

Wellcome and the WHO are gathering around 60 invited experts, world-leading scientists from a range of disciplines who are at the cutting edge of thinking about both under- and over-nutrition, and who focus on different life stages...

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Foundation Center [to 25 Aug 2018]

<http://foundationcenter.org/about-us/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 25 Aug 2018]

<https://www.cof.org/newsroom>

No new digest content identified.

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:: 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

August 2018 Volume 46, Issue 8, p851-960, e65-e74

<http://www.ajicjournal.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

August 2018 Volume 55, Issue 2, p133-280, e19-e52

<http://www.ajpmonline.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

August 2018 108(8)

<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 98, Issue 6, 2018

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/98/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

<http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

July 2018 - Volume 3 - 4

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/3/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

Research article

[Systematic review of economic evaluations of interventions for high risk young people](#)

Authors: Kim Edmunds, kim.edmunds@hmri.org.au Rod Ling, Anthony Shakeshaft, Chris Doran and Andrew Searles

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2018 18:660

Published on: 23 August 2018

Abstract

Background

The aim of this systematic literature review is to identify and critique full economic evaluations of interventions for high risk young people with the purpose of informing the design of future rigorous economic evaluations of such intervention programs.

Methods

A PRISMA compliant search of the literature between 2000 and April 2018 was conducted to identify full economic evaluations of youth focussed interventions for at risk young people. Duplicates were removed and two researchers independently screened the article titles and abstracts according to PICOS criteria for exclusion and inclusion. The remaining full text articles were assessed for eligibility and a quality assessment of the included articles was conducted using the Drummond checklist.

Results

The database, grey literature and hand searches located 488 studies of interventions for at risk young people. After preliminary screening of titles and abstracts, 104 studies remained for full text examination and 29 empirical studies containing 32 separate economic evaluations were judged eligible for inclusion in the review. These comprised 13 cost-benefit analyses (41%), 17 cost-effectiveness analyses (53%), one cost-utility analysis (3%) and a social return on investment (3%). Three main methodological challenges were identified: 1. attribution of effects; 2. measuring and valuing outcomes; and 3. identifying relevant costs and consequences.

Conclusions

A cost-benefit analysis would best capture the dynamic nature of a multi-component intervention for high risk young people, incorporating broader intersectoral outcomes and enabling measurement of more domains of risk. Prospective long-term data collection and a strong study design that incorporates a control group contribute to the quality of economic evaluation. Extrapolation of impact into the future is important for this population, in order to account for the time lag in effect of many impacts and benefits arising from youth interventions.

BMC Infectious Diseases

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

Commentary

[Childhood trauma and the enduring consequences of forcibly separating children from parents at the United States border](#)

Forcible separation and detention of children from parents seeking asylum in the United States has been decried as immoral and halted by court order. Babies and children have been separated and transported to ...

Authors: Martin H. Teicher

Citation: BMC Medicine 2018 16:146
Published on: 22 August 2018

Research article

[Global incidence of suicide among Indigenous peoples: a systematic review](#)

Suicide is the second leading cause of death among adolescents worldwide, and is a major driver of health inequity among Indigenous people in high-income countries. However, little is known about the burden of... This review showed that suicide rates in Indigenous populations vary globally, and that suicide rate disparities between Indigenous and non-Indigenous populations are substantial in some settings but not universal. Including Indigenous identifiers and disaggregating national suicide mortality data by geography and ethnicity will improve the quality and relevance of evidence that informs community, clinical, and public health practice in Indigenous suicide prevention.

Authors: Nathaniel J. Pollock, Kiyuri Naicker, Alex Loro, Shree Mulay and Ian Colman

Citation: BMC Medicine 2018 16:145
Published on: 20 August 2018

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

<http://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.com/articles>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresearchnotes/content>

(Accessed 25 Aug 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

August 2018 - Volume 8 - 8

<http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 96, Number 8, August 2018, 513-588

<http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/96/8/en/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 44, Issue 5 Pages: 659-800 September 2018
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

July 2018 Volume 40, Issue 7, p1049-1224
<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 15 Issue 4, August 2018
<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/15/3>
[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/>
[Accessed 25 Aug 2018]
[No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 71 Pages 1-206 (August 2018)
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/71/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

August 2018 - Volume 31 - Issue 4
<http://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>
[Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 18, Issue 2 Pages: 65-203 June 2018
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 28, Issue 5, 2018
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/current>
Article

[Assessing the impacts of a peer-to-peer training programme for women in Peru](#)

Eduardo Zegarra, Angie Higuchi & Ricardo Vargas
Pages: 754-763

Published online: 29 Jun 2018

Article

[Examining the impacts of grants on senior citizen beneficiaries in Kiboga District, Uganda](#)

[Rebecca Nalwanga](#) & [Ragnhild Lund](#)

Pages: 775-784

Published online: 18 Jun 2018

Article

[On-the-ground perspectives of women's land rights in Uganda](#)

[Jackline Kabahinda](#)

Pages: 813-823

Published online: 06 Jul 2018

Development Policy Review

Volume 36, Issue 5 Pages: i-iv, 525, 527-627 September 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 13, Issue 6, 2018

<http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 12 - Issue 3 - June 2018

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 42, Issue 3 Pages: 405-612 July 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

01 June 2018; volume 19, issue 6

<http://embor.embopress.org/content/19/6?current-issue=y>

[Reviewed earlier]

Emergency Medicine Journal

<https://bmccemergmed.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 25 Aug 2018]
[No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 24, Number 9—September 2018

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>

Perspective

[Ethics of Infection Control Measures for Carriers of Antimicrobial Drug-Resistant Organisms PDF Version\[PDF - 1.12 MB - 8 pages\]](#)

Aura Timen

Abstract

Many countries have implemented infection control measures directed at carriers of multidrug-resistant organisms. To explore the ethical implications of these measures, we analyzed 227 consultations about multidrug resistance and compared them with the literature on communicable disease in general. We found that control measures aimed at carriers have a range of negative implications. Although moral dilemmas seem similar to those encountered while implementing control measures for other infectious diseases, 4 distinct features stand out for carriage of multidrug-resistant organisms: carriage presents itself as a state of being; carriage has limited relevance for the health of the carrier; carriage has little relevance outside healthcare settings; and antimicrobial resistance is a slowly evolving threat on which individual carriers have limited effect. These features are of ethical relevance because they influence the way we traditionally think about infectious disease control and urge us to pay more attention to the personal experience of the individual carrier.

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FMR 58 June 2018

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Volume 10, Issue 3, September 2018

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Special Issue: Palaeontological Heritage in Spain: from Conservation to Education

Among the many topics treated by the authors [in this special issue], some are particularly remarkable for describing the heritage values of historical sites, particularly that from Julia Audijé; Fernando Barroso-Barcenilla and Manuel Segura, another describes the large pedagogic legacy of Dr. Bargalló, and the contribution by Jorge Morales, Beatriz Azanza and others, provides a detailed account of some of the key Neogene vertebrate sites of Iberian Cordillera. The rest of the works presented describe aspects of the important Heritage values of the Iberian Peninsula, including by Bernat Morey, on the important geological and palaeontological values of the Isle of Mallorca, Martínez Graña et al. who analyse the heritage values from the Upper Miocene of the surroundings of Sevilla and Hugo Corbí and collaborators who demonstrate the Heritage values of Messinian (i.e. Miocene) units of the Mediterranean coast...

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Volume 11, 2018 – Issue 1

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Debate

Challenges and dilemmas on universal coverage for non-communicable diseases in middle-income countries: evidence and lessons from Mexico

Despite more than 20 years of reform projects in health systems, the universal coverage strategy has not reached the expected results in most middle-income countries (MICs). Using evidence from the Mexican cas...

Authors: Armando Arredondo, Alejandra Azar and Ana Lucia Recaman

Citation: Globalization and Health 2018 14:89

Published on: 24 August 2018

Research

Transnational pharmacogovernance: emergent patterns in the jazz of pharmaceutical policy convergence

As a transnational policy network, the International Council for Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH) aligns international regulatory standards to address the pressures of globalization on the pharmaceutical industry and increase access to new medicines. Founding ICH members include regulators and pharmaceutical industry trade associations in the European Union, the United States and Japan. In this paper we explore the manner in which state interdependence fosters the conditions for regulatory harmonization by tracing the underlying parallels between ICH and member state pharmacogovernance to clarify emergent patterns in regulatory policy convergence.

Authors: Mary Wiktorowicz [School of Health Policy and Management, York University, Toronto, Canada, mwiktor@yorku.ca], Kathy Moscou and Joel Lexchin

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Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 7, 1 September 2018,

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/7>

Original Articles

[Evaluation of a mobile approach to gender-based violence service delivery among Syrian refugees in Lebanon](#)

[Pamela Lilleston](#) [plillston@gmail.com]; [Liliane Winograd](#); [Spogmay Ahmed](#); [Dounia Salamé](#); [Dayana Al Alam](#) ...

Health Policy and Planning, Volume 33, Issue 7, 1 September 2018, Pages 767–776,

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Abstract

As the landscape of humanitarian response shifts from camp-based to urban- and informal-tented settlement-based responses, service providers and policymakers must consider creative modes for delivering health services. Psychosocial support and case management can be life-saving services for refugee women and girls who are at increased risk for physical, sexual and psychological gender-based violence (GBV). However, these services are often unavailable in non-camp refugee settings. We evaluated an innovative mobile service delivery model for GBV response and mitigation implemented by the International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Lebanon. In October 2015, we conducted in-depth interviews with IRC staff (n=11), Syrian refugee women (n=40) and adolescent girls (n=26) to explore whether the mobile services meet the support needs of refugees and uphold international standards for GBV service delivery. Recruitment was conducted via purposive sampling. Data were analysed using deductive and inductive approaches in NVivo. Findings suggest that by providing free, flexible service delivery in women's own communities, the mobile model overcame barriers that limited women's and

girls' access to essential services, including transportation, checkpoints, cost and gendered expectations around mobility and domestic responsibilities. Participants described the services as strengthening social networks, reducing feelings of idleness and isolation, and increasing knowledge and self-confidence. Results indicate that the model requires skilled, creative staff who can assess community readiness for activities, quickly build trust and ensure confidentiality in contexts of displacement and disruption. Referring survivors to legal and medical services was challenging in a context with limited access to quality services. The IRC's mobile service delivery model is a promising approach for accessing hard-to-reach refugee populations with critical GBV services.

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Research

22 August 2018

[A systematic review of frameworks for the interrelationships of mental health evidence and policy in low- and middle-income countries](#)

The interrelationships between research evidence and policy-making are complex. Different theoretical frameworks exist to explain general evidence–policy interactions. One largely unexplored element of these interrelationships is how evidence interrelates with, and influences, policy/political agenda-setting. This review aims to identify the elements and processes of theories, frameworks and models on interrelationships of research evidence and health policy-making, with a focus on actionability and agenda-setting in the context of mental health in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

Authors: Nicole Votruba, Alexandra Ziemann, Jonathan Grant and Graham Thornicroft

Commentary

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[Health policy and systems research: the future of the field](#)

...Globally, population health is being challenged in different ways, from climate change and growing air pollution and toxic environmental exposure to food insecurity, massive population migration and refugee crises, to emerging and re-emerging diseases. Each of these trends reinforce each other and concentrate their harms on the most vulnerable populations. Multi-level governance, together with novel regulatory strategies and socially oriented investments, are key to successful action against many of the new challenges, with HPSR guiding their design and evolution...

Authors: David H. Peters

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Vol 5, No 9 (2018) September 2018

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[Utilization of maternal and child health services among migratory/slum dwellers in Udupi municipality area, Karnataka, India](#)

Divya V. Pai, Zari Anjum, Ashwini Kumar, Avinash Shetty, Surabhi Mishra, Uttam Kumar, Ashita Agrawal

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Determinants of awareness regarding immunization among parents of children residing in an urban slum of a metro city

Sandeep S. Hedaoo, Swati R. Deshpande, Vijay L. Badge

Abstract

Background: Many families lack accurate information and knowledge about need for immunization, the need for subsequent dose(s), and the importance of completing the entire immunization schedule. Considering this fact present study was undertaken to identify the factors influencing knowledge of parents regarding immunization.

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

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Volume 11 Issue 4 2018

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Special Issue: Health inequalities and migrants: Accessing healthcare as a global human right

Rights of access to healthcare for undocumented migrants: understanding the Italian and British national health systems

Danielle da Costa Leite Borges, Caterina Francesca Guidi (pp. 232 - 243)

Type: Research paper

Post-migratory risk factors and asylum seekers' mental health

Thomas Korup Kjærgaard, Natasja Koitzsch Jensen (pp. 257 - 269)

Type: General review

Migrants' health and well-being in the context of the Greek economic crisis: a narrative review

Maria Psounos (pp. 282 - 297)

Guest editorial

Health inequalities and migrants: accessing healthcare as a global human right

Floor Christie-de Jong (pp. 229 - 231)

Type: Non-article

Book review

[Psychological Therapies for Survivors of Torture: A Human-Rights Approach with People Seeking Asylum](#)

Bonny Astor (pp. 312 - 314)

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August 2018 Volume 73, p1-118

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[Minding the Gap: Setting Research Priorities Related to HIV Testing, Treatment, and Service Delivery Among Adolescents](#)

Jason M. Nagata, B. Jane Ferguson, David A. Ross
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Special Issue: Education and Migration

Article

Introduction: education and migration

Julian Culp & Danielle Zwarthoed

Pages: 5-10

Published online: 22 Aug 2018

ABSTRACT

This introduction expounds educational problems that arise from transnational migration. It argues that it is high time to critically analyze normative issues of and in education under conditions of globalization because dominant approaches in normative philosophy of education tend to suffer from both a nationalist bias and a sedentary bias. The contributions to this special issue address normative problems pertaining to migration-related education from a variety of ethical and philosophical perspectives, including analytic applied ethics, continental philosophy, care ethics, Hegelian philosophy, the capability approach and theories of distributive justice. They discuss the education of both citizens and migrants in the receiving society as well as in the country of origin, focusing on ethical issues pertaining to access to education as well as to the content of educational programs.

Article

Educational justice and transnational migration

Krassimir Stojanov

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Article

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Volume 39, Issue 3, August 2018

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Volume 25, Issue suppl_1, 1 May 2018

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Asian travel: from the rare to the difficult

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Aug 25, 2018 Volume 392 Number 10148 p613-710 e7

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Editorial

[India's mega health reforms: treatment for half a billion](#)

The Lancet

Technocrats and functionaries are hastily putting the final touches to India's mega health insurance scheme following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement that the programme will be launched nationwide on Sept 25. The scheme aims to provide up to 100 million poor families with approximately INR500 000 (US\$7100) in annual health insurance coverage to pay for secondary or tertiary hospital care. It is one of the components of a flagship initiative known in Hindi as Ayushman Bharat or "India blessed with long life", which includes developments in primary health services and health promotion.

With his eyes firmly fixed on next year's national elections, Prime Minister Modi unveiled the start date of the next part of the world's biggest health reforms during his Independence Day speech at New Delhi's Red Fort on Aug 15. At the same time, trials of the scheme—known colloquially as Modicare—were launched in 110 districts in 14 states and Union Territories across the country. Critics of the scheme, estimated to cost the Government US\$1.7 billion in the first 2 years, fear doctors and hospitals responsible for delivering treatments will be left out of pocket. They say current Government tariffs to be offered for specialised operations and procedures—including coronary stenting—have been pitched unrealistically low.

News of the imminent launch of the secondary care scheme comes after the opening of the first so-called health and wellness centre on April 14. A further 150 000 similar facilities are planned as part of the ongoing programme aiming to provide universal health care to India by 2022. Proponents of the ambitious plans accept that difficulties might occur in the initial stages and possibly even for longer, but, they argue, to set up a system providing comprehensive health care for up to half a billion people and possibly more—the biggest on the planet—is bound to require time to bed in. Setting up such a programme has undoubtedly required heroic efforts. The implementation, running, and monitoring of the initiative will necessitate a continued commitment to ensure the fundamental right of all Indian people to adequate health care.

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[Vulnerability to snakebite envenoming: a global mapping of hotspots](#)

Joshua Longbottom, Freya M Shearer, Maria Devine, Gabriel Alcoba, Francois Chappuis, Daniel J Weiss, Sarah E Ray, Nicolas Ray, David A Warrell, Rafael Ruiz de Castañeda, David J Williams, Simon I Hay, David M Pigott

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Review

[The global response and unmet actions for HIV and sex workers](#)

Kate Shannon, Anna-Louise Crago, Stefan D Baral, Linda-Gail Bekker, Deanna Kerrigan, Michele R Decker, Tonia Poteat, Andrea L Wirtz, Brian Weir, Marie-Claude Boily, Jenny Butler, Steffanie A Strathdee, Chris Beyrer

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Tomoko Ishino, Takafumi Tsuboi

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Hugo C Turner, Guy E Thwaites, Hannah E Clapham

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[Persistence of Ebola virus after the end of widespread transmission in Liberia: an outbreak report](#)

Emily Kainne Dokubo, Annika Wendland, Suzanne E Mate, Jason T Ladner, Esther L Hamblion, Philomena Raftery, David J Blackley, A Scott Laney, Nuha Mahmoud, Gloria Wayne-Davies, Lisa Hensley, Eric Stavale, Lawrence Fakoli, Christopher Gregory, Tai-Ho Chen, Augustine Koryon, Denise Roth Allen, Jennifer Mann, Andrew Hickey, John Saindon, Mehboob Badini, April Baller, Peter Clement, Fatorma Bolay, Yatta Wapoe, Michael R Wiley, James Logue, Bonnie Dighero-Kemp, Elizabeth Higgs, Alex Gasasira, Desmond E Williams, Bernice Dahn, Francis Kateh, Tolbert Nyenswah, Gustavo Palacios, Mosoka P Fallah

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[How effective are approaches to migrant screening for infectious diseases in Europe? A systematic review](#)

Personal View

[Precision medicine for drug-resistant tuberculosis in high-burden countries: is individualised treatment desirable and feasible?](#)

Helen Cox, Jennifer Hughes, John Black, Mark P Nicol

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Volume 96, Issue 2 Pages: 215-408 June 2018

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Volume 560 Issue 7719, 23 August 2018

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Editorial | 22 August 2018

[The global body for biodiversity science and policy must heal rifts](#)

A panel striving to alert policymakers to the extinction crisis must address its critics and embrace intellectual diversity.

World View | 22 August 2018

[No more excuses for non-reproducible methods](#)

Online technologies make it easy to share precise experimental protocols — and doing so is essential to modern science, says Lenny Teytelman.

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Perspective

Tickborne Diseases — Confronting a Growing Threat

Catharine I. Paules, M.D., Hilary D. Marston, M.D., M.P.H., Marshall E. Bloom, M.D., and Anthony S. Fauci, M.D.

... The burden of tickborne diseases seems likely to continue to grow substantially. Prevention and management are hampered by suboptimal diagnostics, lack of treatment options for emerging viruses, and a paucity of vaccines. If public health and biomedical research professionals accelerate their efforts to address this threat, we may be able to fill these gaps. Meanwhile, clinicians should advise patients to use insect repellent and wear long pants when walking in the woods or tending their gardens — and check themselves for ticks when they are done...

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Volume 47 Issue 4_suppl, August 2018

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August 21, 2018 · Research Article

Introduction: Using Interrupted Time Series Analysis and generalized estimating equations, this study identifies factors that influence the size and significance of Hurricane Sandy's estimated impact on HIV testing in 90 core-based statistical areas from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2013.

Methods: Generalized estimating equations were used to examine the effects of sociodemographic and storm-related variables on relative change in HIV testing resulting from Interrupted Time Series analyses.

Results: There is a significant negative relationship between HIV prevalence and the relative change in testing at all time periods. A one unit increase in HIV prevalence corresponds to a 35% decrease in relative testing the week of the storm and a 14% decrease in relative testing at week twelve. Building loss was also negatively associated with relative change for all time points. For example, a one unit increase in building loss at week 0 corresponds with an 8% decrease in the relative change in testing ($p=0.0001$) and a 2% at week twelve ($p=0.001$).

Discussion: Our results demonstrate that HIV testing can be negatively affected during public health emergencies. Communities with high percentages of building loss and significant HIV disease burden should prioritize resumption of testing to support HIV prevention.

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Pawan Acharya, Hallgeir Kismul, Mala Ali Mapatano, Anne Hatløy

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[Effect of health intervention integration within women's self-help groups on collectivization and healthy practices around reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health in rural India](#)

Niranjan Saggurti, Yamini Atmavilas, Akash Porwal, Janine Schooley, Rajshree Das, Narender Kande, Laili Irani, Katherine Hay

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[Setting global research priorities for child protection in humanitarian action: Results from an adapted CHNRI exercise](#)

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Abstract

Background

Armed conflict, natural disaster, and forced displacement affect millions of children each year. Such humanitarian crises increase the risk of family separation, erode existing support networks, and often result in economic loss, increasing children's vulnerability to violence, exploitation, neglect, and abuse. Research is needed to understand these risks and vulnerabilities and guide donor investment towards the most effective interventions for improving the well-being of children in humanitarian contexts.

Methods

The Assessment, Measurement & Evidence (AME) Working Group of the Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action (ACPHA) identified experts to participate in a research priority setting exercise adapted from the Child Health and Nutrition Research Initiative (CHNRI). Experts individually identified key areas for research investment which were subsequently ranked by participants using a Likert scale. Research Priority Scores (RPS) and Average Expert Agreement (AEA) were calculated for each identified research topic, the top fifteen of which are presented within this paper.

Results

Intervention research, which aims to rigorously evaluate the effectiveness of standard child protection activities in humanitarian settings, ranked highly. Child labor was a key area of sector research with two of the top ten priorities examining the practice. Respondents also prioritized research efforts to understand how best to bridge humanitarian and development efforts for child protection as well as identifying most effective way to build the capacity of local systems in order to sustain child protection gains after a crisis.

Conclusions

Rigorous, scientific research that assesses the scope of child protection risks, examines the effectiveness of interventions to improve child well-being, and translates evidence to practice is critical. Findings from this research priority setting exercise offer guidance for a global research agenda on

child protection in humanitarian settings, encouraging cooperation among donors, implementers, and academics to pursue a coordinated approach to evidence generation.

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Comprehensive Review

[Portable Health Care Facilities in Disaster and Rescue Zones: Characteristics and Future Suggestions](#)

Noemi Bitterman, Yoni Zimmer

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Comprehensive Review

[Seven Decades of Disasters: A Systematic Review of the Literature](#)

Erin C. Smith, Frederick M. Burkle, Peter Aitken, Peter Leggatt

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Abstract

Introduction

The impact of disasters and large-scale crises continues to increase around the world. To mitigate the potential disasters that confront humanity in the new millennium, an evidence-informed approach to disaster management is needed. This study provides the platform for such an evidence-informed approach by identifying peer-reviewed disaster management publications from 1947 through July 2017.

Methods

Peer-reviewed disaster management publications were identified using a comprehensive search of: MEDLINE (US National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health; Bethesda, Maryland USA);

CINAHL (EBSCO Information Services; Ipswich, Massachusetts USA); EMBASE (Elsevier; Amsterdam, Netherlands); PsychInfo (American Psychological Association; Washington DC, USA); and the Cochrane Library (The Cochrane Collaboration; Oxford, United Kingdom).

Results

A total of 9,433 publications were identified. The publications were overwhelmingly descriptive (74%) while 18% of publications reported the use of a quantitative methodology and eight percent used qualitative methodologies. Only eight percent of these publications were classified as being high-level evidence. The publications were published in 918 multi-disciplinary journals. The journal Prehospital and Disaster Medicine (World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine; Madison, Wisconsin USA) published the greatest number of disaster-management-related publications (9%). Hurricane Katrina (2005; Gulf Coast USA) had the greatest number of disaster-specific publications, followed by the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks (New York, Virginia, and Pennsylvania USA). Publications reporting on the application of objective evaluation tools or frameworks were growing in number.

Conclusion:

The "science" of disaster management is spread across more than 900 different multi-disciplinary journals. The existing evidence-base is overwhelmingly descriptive and lacking in objective, post-disaster evaluations.

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Thematic issue: Economics of NCDs

The global health burden of noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) is large and growing, as this group of diseases already accounts for 70% of total deaths. Global evidence indicates that the high health burden of NCDs translates into significant economic and social costs that threaten to diminish the quality of life of millions of individuals, impoverish families, jeopardize universal health coverage, and increase health disparities within and between countries. Evidence consistently shows that the NCD epidemic cannot be tackled through interventions and policies in the health sector alone. In particular, prevention measures that address NCD risk factors involve a range of sectors including finance, trade, education, agriculture, and transportation. As economics has become the common language among decision makers across sectors, it is imperative that health authorities leverage economic information to more effectively communicate the urgency of tackling NCDs and related risk factors.

This thematic issue of the Pan American Journal of Public Health is part of a continued collaboration between the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) and PAHO/WHO to facilitate intragovernmental dialogue for a better understanding of NCD issues by making economic evidence available in the Americas, and to assist countries in integrating economic approaches into their NCD prevention and control policies.

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Review

The promise and peril of universal health care

By David E. Bloom, Alexander Khoury, Ramnath Subbaraman

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Population health and national development

Healthy populations translate into productive and stable nations. Universal health care (UHC) is a pragmatic and ethical ideal that, thanks to social and economic progress, seems almost achievable. However, UHC means different things in different contexts. The minimum ideal is that no individual or family should suffer financial hardship because of accessing good-quality medical assistance. Bloom et al. review health priorities around the world and what will be needed in terms of skills, funds, and technology to achieve health care access for all.

Policy Forum

The paradox of irrigation efficiency

By R. Q. Grafton, J. Williams, C. J. Perry, F. Molle, C. Ringler, P. Steduto, B. Udall, S. A. Wheeler, Y. Wang, D. Garrick, R. G. Allen

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Higher efficiency rarely reduces water consumption

Summary

Reconciling higher freshwater demands with finite freshwater resources remains one of the great policy dilemmas. Given that crop irrigation constitutes 70% of global water extractions, which contributes up to 40% of globally available calories (1), governments often support increases in irrigation efficiency (IE), promoting advanced technologies to improve the “crop per drop.” This provides private benefits to irrigators and is justified, in part, on the premise that increases in IE “save” water for reallocation to other sectors, including cities and the environment. Yet substantial scientific evidence (2) has long

shown that increased IE rarely delivers the presumed public-good benefits of increased water availability. Decision-makers typically have not known or understood the importance of basin-scale water accounting or of the behavioral responses of irrigators to subsidies to increase IE. We show that to mitigate global water scarcity, increases in IE must be accompanied by robust water accounting and measurements, a cap on extractions, an assessment of uncertainties, the valuation of trade-offs, and a better understanding of the incentives and behavior of irrigators.

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Hybrid Warriors and the Formation of New War Masculinities: A Case Study of Indonesian Foreign Fighters

David Duriesmith

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Stanford Social Innovation Review

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When the founder and long-time leader of an organization is replaced by someone new, it's generally thought that the founder should make a complete break so that there isn't any confusion about who is in control. But recent research by The Bridgespan Group suggests that in the nonprofit world that may not be the best approach.

Philanthropy & Funding

The Civic Science Imperative

By Elizabeth Good Christopherson, Dietram A. Scheufele & Brooke Smith

Philanthropy has a vital role to play in building a culture of "civic science," in which scientists take active roles as citizens and citizens engage with scientific research.

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Unsafe abortion is a neglected public health problem contributing for 13% of maternal death worldwide. In Africa, 99% of abortions are unsafe resulting in one maternal death per 150 cases. The prevalence of un...

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This issue focuses on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, a plan of action for people, planet and prosperity, which commits United Nations Member States to work towards a sustainable future for all. The articles, by Senior Officials of the United Nations system, examine the Organization's lead role in advancing the 2030 Agenda, and in promoting peace, social equality and human rights.

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Special Issue - World Heritage in Bahrain

This year, for its 42nd session, the World Heritage Committee is hosted by Bahrain in its capital city of Manama. Bahrain has long dedicated its support to the World Heritage Convention, and already chaired the Committee for its 35th session in 2011, at UNESCO Headquarters.

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