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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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"Mass Migration" – U.S. Presidential Proclamation

[Presidential Proclamation Addressing Mass Migration Through the Southern Border of the United States](#)

Issued on: November 9, 2018

[Editor's text bolding]

The United States expects the arrival at the border between the United States and Mexico (southern border) of a substantial number of aliens primarily from Central America who appear to have no lawful basis for admission into our country. They are traveling in large, organized groups through Mexico and reportedly intend to enter the United States unlawfully or without proper documentation and to seek asylum, despite the fact that, based on past experience, a significant majority will not be eligible for or be granted that benefit. Many entered Mexico unlawfully — some with violence — and have rejected opportunities to apply for asylum and benefits in Mexico. The arrival of large numbers of aliens will contribute to the overloading of our immigration and asylum system and to the release of thousands of aliens into the interior of the United States. **The continuing and threatened mass migration of aliens with no basis for admission into the United States through our southern border has precipitated a crisis and undermines the integrity of our borders. I therefore must take immediate action to protect the national interest, and to maintain the effectiveness of the asylum system for legitimate asylum seekers who demonstrate that they have fled persecution and warrant the many special benefits associated with asylum.**

In recent weeks, an average of approximately 2,000 inadmissible aliens have entered each day at our southern border. In Fiscal Year 2018 overall, 124,511 aliens were found inadmissible at ports of entry on the southern border, while 396,579 aliens were apprehended entering the United States unlawfully between such ports of entry. The great number of aliens who cross unlawfully into the United States through the southern border consumes tremendous resources as the Government seeks to surveil, apprehend, screen, process, and detain them.

Aliens who enter the United States unlawfully or without proper documentation and are subject to expedited removal may avoid being promptly removed by demonstrating, during an initial screening process, a credible fear of persecution or torture. Approximately 2 decades ago, most aliens deemed inadmissible at a port of entry or apprehended after unlawfully entering the United States through the southern border were single adults who were promptly returned to Mexico, and very few asserted a fear of return. Since then, however, there has been a massive increase in fear-of-persecution or torture claims by aliens who enter the United States through the southern border. The vast majority of such aliens are found to satisfy the credible-fear threshold, although only a fraction of the claimants whose claims are adjudicated ultimately qualify for asylum or other protection. Aliens found to have a credible fear are often released into the interior of the United States, as a result of a lack of detention space and a variety of other legal and practical difficulties, pending adjudication of their claims in a full removal proceeding in immigration court. The immigration adjudication process often takes years to complete because of the growing volume of claims and because of the need to expedite proceedings

for detained aliens. During that time, many released aliens fail to appear for hearings, do not comply with subsequent orders of removal, or are difficult to locate and remove.

Members of family units pose particular challenges. The Federal Government lacks sufficient facilities to house families together. Virtually all members of family units who enter the United States through the southern border, unlawfully or without proper documentation, and that are found to have a credible fear of persecution, are thus released into the United States. Against this backdrop of near-assurance of release, the number of such aliens traveling as family units who enter through the southern border and claim a credible fear of persecution has greatly increased. And large numbers of family units decide to make the dangerous and unlawful border crossing with their children.

The United States has a long and proud history of offering protection to aliens who are fleeing persecution and torture and who qualify under the standards articulated in our immigration laws, including through our asylum system and the Refugee Admissions Program. But our system is being overwhelmed by migration through our southern border. Crossing the border to avoid detection and then, if apprehended, claiming a fear of persecution is in too many instances an avenue to near-automatic release into the interior of the United States. Once released, such aliens are very difficult to remove. An additional influx of large groups of aliens arriving at once through the southern border would add tremendous strain to an already taxed system, especially if they avoid orderly processing by unlawfully crossing the southern border.

The entry of large numbers of aliens into the United States unlawfully between ports of entry on the southern border is contrary to the national interest, and our law has long recognized that aliens who seek to lawfully enter the United States must do so at ports of entry. Unlawful entry puts lives of both law enforcement and aliens at risk. By contrast, entry at ports of entry at the southern border allows for orderly processing, which enables the efficient deployment of law enforcement resources across our vast southern border.

Failing to take immediate action to stem the mass migration the United States is currently experiencing and anticipating would only encourage additional mass unlawful migration and further overwhelming of the system.

Other presidents have taken strong action to prevent mass migration. In Proclamation 4865 of September 29, 1981 (High Seas Interdiction of Illegal Aliens), in response to an influx of Haitian nationals traveling to the United States by sea, President Reagan suspended the entry of undocumented aliens from the high seas and ordered the Coast Guard to intercept such aliens before they reached United States shores and to return them to their point of origin. In Executive Order 12807 of May 24, 1992 (Interdiction of Illegal Aliens), in response to a dramatic increase in the unlawful mass migration of Haitian nationals to the United States, President Bush ordered additional measures to interdict such Haitian nationals and return them to their home country. The Supreme Court upheld the legality of those measures in *Sale v. Haitian Centers Council, Inc.*, 509 U.S. 155 (1993).

I am similarly acting to suspend, for a limited period, the entry of certain aliens in order to address the problem of large numbers of aliens traveling through Mexico to enter our country unlawfully or without proper documentation. I am tailoring the suspension to channel these aliens to ports of entry, so that, if they enter the United States, they do so in an orderly and controlled manner instead of unlawfully. Under this suspension, aliens

entering through the southern border, even those without proper documentation, may, consistent with this proclamation, avail themselves of our asylum system, provided that they properly present themselves for inspection at a port of entry. In anticipation of a large group of aliens arriving in the coming weeks, I am directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to commit additional resources to support our ports of entry at the southern border to assist in processing those aliens — and all others arriving at our ports of entry — as efficiently as possible.

But aliens who enter the United States unlawfully through the southern border in contravention of this proclamation will be ineligible to be granted asylum under the regulation promulgated by the Attorney General and the Secretary of Homeland Security that became effective earlier today. Those aliens may, however, still seek other forms of protection from persecution or torture. In addition, this limited suspension will facilitate ongoing negotiations with Mexico and other countries regarding appropriate cooperative arrangements to prevent unlawful mass migration to the United States through the southern border. Thus, this proclamation is also necessary to manage and conduct the foreign affairs of the United States effectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including sections 212(f) and 215(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) (8 U.S.C. 1182(f) and 1185(a), respectively) hereby find that, absent the measures set forth in this proclamation, the entry into the United States of persons described in section 1 of this proclamation would be detrimental to the interests of the United States, and that their entry should be subject to certain restrictions, limitations, and exceptions. I therefore hereby proclaim the following:

Section 1. Suspension and Limitation on Entry. The entry of any alien into the United States across the international boundary between the United States and Mexico is hereby suspended and limited, subject to section 2 of this proclamation. That suspension and limitation shall expire 90 days after the date of this proclamation or the date on which an agreement permits the United States to remove aliens to Mexico in compliance with the terms of section 208(a)(2)(A) of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1158(a)(2)(A)), whichever is earlier.

Sec. 2. Scope and Implementation of Suspension and Limitation on Entry.

- (a) The suspension and limitation on entry pursuant to section 1 of this proclamation shall apply only to aliens who enter the United States after the date of this proclamation.
- (b) The suspension and limitation on entry pursuant to section 1 of this proclamation shall not apply to any alien who enters the United States at a port of entry and properly presents for inspection, or to any lawful permanent resident of the United States.
- (c) Nothing in this proclamation shall limit an alien entering the United States from being considered for withholding of removal under section 241(b)(3) of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1231(b)(3)) or protection pursuant to the regulations promulgated under the authority of the implementing legislation regarding the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, or limit the statutory processes afforded to unaccompanied alien children upon entering the United States under section 279 of title 6, United States Code, and section 1232 of title 8, United States Code.
- (d) No later than 90 days after the date of this proclamation, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall jointly submit to the President, through the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, a recommendation on whether an extension or renewal of the suspension or limitation on entry in section 1 of this proclamation is in the interests of the United States...

Sec. 3. Interdiction. The Secretary of State and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall consult with the Government of Mexico regarding appropriate steps — consistent with applicable law and the foreign policy, national security, and public-safety interests of the United States — to address the approach of large groups of aliens traveling through Mexico with the intent of entering the United States unlawfully, including efforts to deter, dissuade, and return such aliens before they physically enter United States territory through the southern border.

Sec. 4. Severability. It is the policy of the United States to enforce this proclamation to the maximum extent possible to advance the interests of the United States. Accordingly:

- (a) if any provision of this proclamation, or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid, the remainder of this proclamation and the application of its other provisions to any other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby; and
- (b) if any provision of this proclamation, or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid because of the failure to follow certain procedures, the relevant executive branch officials shall implement those procedural requirements to conform with existing law and with any applicable court orders.

Sec. 5. General Provisions.

- (a) Nothing in this proclamation shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:
 - (i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or
 - (ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.
- (b) This proclamation shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.
- (c) This proclamation is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ninth day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-third.

DONALD J. TRUMP

[UNHCR statement on new US regulation on asylum](#)

9 Nov 2018

Among the people on the move in Central America and Mexico today, many are fleeing life-threatening violence or persecution and are in need of international protection. UNHCR expects all countries, including the United States, to make sure any person in need of refugee protection and humanitarian assistance is able to receive both promptly and without obstruction in accordance with the 1967 refugee Protocol to which the United States is a party.

In an ideal and predictable world, asylum seekers should present themselves at the border and request protection. However, the reality of refugee flight is complex and requires management in a structured way with dignified reception arrangements. Long-standing insufficient reception capacity at official U.S. southern border ports of entry is resulting in significant delays in northern Mexico and is forcing many

vulnerable asylum-seekers to turn in desperation to smugglers and cross the border irregularly. Many asylum-seeking families making this desperate choice are not trying to evade border authorities.

National security and dignified reception of refugees and asylum-seekers are not mutually exclusive, but rather mutually reinforcing. UNHCR stands ready at all times to support the United States and all governments and civil society partners working to guarantee that any person fleeing life-threatening violence or persecution is able to reach safe ground and is able to have their claim reviewed.

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Rohingya

[42 NGOs warn that return of refugees to Myanmar now would be dangerous and premature](#)

Friday 9 November 2018

Humanitarian and civil society agencies working in Rakhine State in Myanmar and in the Rohingya refugee camps in Bangladesh are deeply concerned that the repatriation of refugees will commence in mid-November, according to an announcement of the Joint Working Group of the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar on 30th October.

The Governments of Myanmar and Bangladesh have made assurances to the refugees and the international community that repatriation will only happen when it is safe, voluntary and dignified. We call on both governments to stand by their commitments.

The UN has repeatedly stated that conditions in Myanmar are not conducive to return at this time. Refugees continue to flee Myanmar and facilitating repatriation now would be premature. The involuntary return of refugees from Bangladesh to Myanmar, where their lives and safety remain at grave risk, is a violation of the fundamental principle of non-refoulement.

Refugees have consistently told us that they want to return to their own homes and places of origin, or to places of their choice. They want guarantees that they can enjoy equal rights and citizenship. They want assurances that the extreme human rights violations they have suffered will stop, and those responsible for the violence they fled will be brought to justice. They do not want to return to conditions of confinement with no freedom of movement or access to services and livelihoods. They fear that these conditions will become permanent, like the situation in Central Rakhine State where 128,000 Rohingya and other Muslims have been confined to camps with no freedom of movement for over six years.

Most of all, refugees tell us that they are afraid. They fled to Bangladesh to seek safety and they are very grateful to the Government of Bangladesh for giving them a safe haven. However, they are terrified about what will happen to them if they are returned to Myanmar now, and distressed by the lack of information they have received.

"We really want to go back, but not without citizenship... They must give us citizenship and a normal life, like the other people are living in Myanmar.... They need to keep us in peace and not hurt us."
"I have a brother back in Myanmar. ... They are still afraid to sleep at night. They are still afraid to be killed in their beds. After coming here, through the blessings of Allah and the Bangladesh government,

we can sleep at night. But my brother, he cannot sleep at night.” [Refugee woman living in camps, mid-thirties].”

As the UN agency mandated with the protection of refugees, UNHCR must play a key role in any organized return process, including providing refugees with objective, up-to-date, and accurate information in relevant languages and formats to allow them to make genuinely free and informed choices about whether and when they would like to exercise their right to return, obtaining their consent and monitoring that conditions are safe for return in Myanmar.

We call on the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar to uphold their commitments, and ensure that refugees in Bangladesh are able to make free and informed choices about return, based on access to full and impartial information about conditions in Rakhine State. UN agencies should have unimpeded access to all parts of Rakhine State in order to provide this information and to monitor the situation in areas of potential return.

Joint statement from:

Association for Aid and Relief Japan, Concern Worldwide, ActionAid, Danish Refugee Council, Welthungerhilfe, Malteser, Medair, Mission Aviation Fellowship, Voluntary Service Overseas, Peace Winds Japan, CARE, Terre des hommes, Handicap International - Humanity & Inclusion, Action Against Hunger USA, World Concern, People in Need, Médecins du Monde, Solidarités International, Oxfam, International Rescue Committee, HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation, CBM, Save the Children, Plan International, World Vision, Medical Teams International, ACT Alliance, INGO Forum Myanmar

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Human Rights Council –Universal Periodic Review

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Thirty-first session

5–16 November 2018

National report submitted in accordance with paragraph 15 (a) of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia*

[Excerpt]

V. Compliance with the applicable rules of international humanitarian law

138. The Kingdom is keen to comply fully with the provisions and rules of international humanitarian law and international human rights law. As such, **it affirms that all military operations by the Coalition to Support Legitimacy in Yemen are conducted in a manner fully consistent with those provisions and rules. Coalition forces are anxious not only to spare the civilian population, particularly women and children, and civilian objects from the effects of the armed conflict but have assumed responsibility for protecting them** from the gross abuses committed by Iranian-backed Houthi armed militias, including indiscriminate attacks, killing, torture, forced evacuation and disappearance, blockade and the use of child soldiers.

139. The Coalition to Support Legitimacy in Yemen has put in place strict rules of engagement consistent with the provisions and rules of international humanitarian law, including a number of mechanisms and procedures to prevent targeting errors. The Coalition investigates all allegations of the targeting of civilians, civilian facilities and humanitarian organizations and announces the results of these investigations at press conferences.

140. The Coalition accords maximum importance to humanitarian relief in Yemen and coordinates activity with international organizations. The King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Centre is working in partnership with a number of domestic and international organizations and institutions to implement a raft of projects and programmes, including a project to tackle the cholera epidemic caused by the damage done by Iranian-backed Houthi armed militias to the environmental and health facilities which would have helped prevent the spread of the disease. The Centre has also launched a number of programmes to rehabilitate child soldiers conscripted by Iranian-backed Houthi armed militias, as well as support projects for Yemeni women and families. In addition, the Centre has launched nutrition, medical, health and environmental projects to address the impact of the shortage of food and medicines and raise the capacity of the health services to support the human right to food and medicine within a framework of standards free of any discrimination or prejudice.

141. Under the 2018 Humanitarian Response Plan for Yemen, announced by the Coalition to Support Legitimacy in Yemen, the Kingdom has contributed 465 million US dollars of financial aid through the United Nations to cover programmes implemented by various United Nations organizations. At the same time, it has contributed 35 million dollars to support infrastructure projects in Yemen...

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Health – Sanitation

[World Bank Group and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Commit to Innovation to Speed Up Sanitation for All](#)

BEIJING, November 6, 2018 – The World Bank Group and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have **committed to work together to unlock at least \$1 billion in investments in innovative sanitation solutions to help address the urgent challenge of 2.6 billion people around the world living without access to sanitation services.**

Announced today at the *Reinvented Toilet Expo* in Beijing, the *Urban Sanitation Innovation Partnership* aims to speed up the adoption of innovative technologies and approaches so that everyone has access to safely managed and affordable sanitation services.

This new partnership builds on commitments from the World Bank Group and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to 'Citywide Inclusive Sanitation', which promotes innovations in urban sanitation delivery through a mix of service delivery solutions – with a focus on poor households. It also leverages the World Bank Group's work in developing countries to improve policy and investment environments for more and better sanitation infrastructure and technology-driven solutions.

Over the next two years alone, this partnership is expected to help improve the lives of millions of people through access to innovative sanitation services. Currently, 1.6 million people die each year

from diseases related to poor sanitation and hygiene. And of the 8.9 percent of deaths of children under five due to diarrhea each year – more than half are caused by poor sanitation.

“Healthier children become healthier adults, who then reach their full potential and contribute more to economies and societies. That principle is at the core of the World Bank Group’s Human Capital Project,” World Bank Group President Jim Yong Kim said. “We cannot achieve our goals of ending extreme poverty and boosting shared prosperity unless everyone has a chance to lead healthy lives – and that means sustainable and safe sanitation. With this partnership, we hope to catalyze funding and creative ideas from both the public and private sectors to solve the challenges of sanitation everywhere in the world.”...

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Featured Journal Content

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Research

[Secular trends in the prevalence of female genital mutilation/cutting among girls: a systematic analysis](#)

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Abstract

Background Current evidence on the decline in the prevalence of female genital mutilation or cutting (FGM/C) has been lacking worldwide. This study analyses the prevalence estimates and secular trends in FGM/C over sustained periods (ie, 1990–2017). Its aim is to provide analytical evidence on the changing prevalence of FGM/C over time among girls aged 0–14 years and examine geographical variations in low-income and middle-income countries.

Methods Analysis on the shift in prevalence of FGM/C was undertaken using the Demographic Health Survey (DHS) and Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) data sets from Africa and Middle East. A random-effects model was used to derive overall prevalence estimates. Using Poisson regression models, we conducted time trends analyses on the FGM/C prevalence estimates between 1990 and 2017.

Findings We included 90 DHS and MICS data sets for 208 195 children (0–14 years) from 29 countries spread across Africa and two countries in Western Asia. The prevalence of FGM/C among children varied greatly between countries and regions and also within countries over the survey periods. The percentage decline in the prevalence of FGM/C among children aged 0–14 years old was highest in East Africa, followed by North and West Africa. The prevalence decreased from 71.4% in 1995 to 8.0% in 2016 in East Africa. In North Africa, the prevalence decreased from 57.7% in 1990 to 14.1% in

2015. In West Africa, the prevalence decreased from 73.6% in 1996 to 25.4% in 2017. The results of the trend analysis showed a significant shift downwards in the prevalence of FGM/C among children aged 0–14 years in such regions and subregions of East Africa, North Africa and West Africa. East Africa has experienced a much faster decrease in the prevalence of the practice (trend=−7.3%, 95% CI −7.5% to −7.1%) per year from 1995 to 2014. By contrast, the decline in prevalence has been much slower in North Africa (trend=−4.4%, 95% CI −4.5% to −4.3%) and West Africa (trend=−3.0%, 95% CI −3.1% to −2.9%).

Conclusion The prevalence of FGM/C among children aged 0–14 years varied greatly between countries and regions and also within countries over the survey periods. There is evidence of huge and significant decline in the prevalence of FGM/C among children across countries and regions. There is a need to sustain comprehensive intervention efforts and further targeted efforts in countries and regions still showing high prevalence of FGM/C among children, where the practice is still pervasive.

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Reproductive Health

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Commentary

[The revised international technical guidance on sexuality education - a powerful tool at an important crossroads for sexuality education](#)

In January 2018, UNESCO, together with UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, and the WHO, completed the substantial technical and political process of updating the International Technical Guidance on Sexuality Educ...

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Abstract

In January 2018, UNESCO, together with UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, and the WHO, completed the substantial technical and political process of updating the International Technical Guidance on Sexuality Education, thereby unifying a UN position on rationale, evidence, and guidance on designing and delivering comprehensive sexuality education (CSE). The revised Guidance builds on the original Guidance, with improvements and updates based on new evidence and good practice documented from across the globe. User-surveys and structured consultations with representatives from a wide range of fields and interest-groups informed and guided the revision process. The revised Guidance presents one, commonly agreed definition of CSE; enhances and expands its key concepts, topics and learning objectives; places a strengthened focus on gender and human rights; provides guidance on building support and planning the implementation of CSE programmes; and reflects the contribution of CSE to the realization of multiple Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). With its unified voice, progressive position, and attention to key implementation challenges, the revised Guidance is a responsive, timely, and critically needed tool to advance towards a tipping point for the large-scale application of quality CSE.

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Syria – Humanitarian Response

[United Nations humanitarian convoy to Rukban: UNICEF delivers lifesaving vaccines, medicines and nutritional supplies for 50,000 people](#)

DAMASCUS 8 November 2018 – UNICEF, with United Nations partners and the Syrian Arab Red Crescent, concluded a six-day humanitarian aid convoy to Rukban camp in southeast Syria near the Jordanian border. This is the first convoy to the camp from within Syria, where nearly 50,000 people live, the majority of whom are women and children. The last aid delivery to the area was in January from Jordan.

UNICEF sent 21 trucks of humanitarian assistance as part of the convoy and supported 21 vaccinators with vaccines, cold chain equipment and medical supplies to immunize 10,000 children against measles, polio and other childhood diseases in the camp. This has been one of the most complex humanitarian operations in Syria with over 75 trucks and more than 100 humanitarian and logistics workers delivering aid to people in need in Syria south-eastern desert conditions.

“Children and women in Rukban have had extremely limited access to health services amid worsening conditions,” said Fran Equiza, UNICEF Representative in Syria. “UNICEF advocated extensively with all relevant parties to include vaccinators in the convoy to protect children against life-threatening diseases.”

“Most children under-five years old had never been vaccinated,” said Dr. Husam Eddine Baradei, UNICEF’s Health & Nutrition Officer who accompanied the convoy. “Despite the challenges we were able to vaccinate 5,100 children in the few days we had access to the camp, yet we absolutely need sustained access as thousands more children still need to be immunised.”

UNICEF staff described the conditions in the camp as dire with many people having to survive on just one meal a day. “I barely eat anything at all because my priority is to feed my children,” a mother told UNICEF “I get dizzy when I breastfeed these days.” She added UNICEF’s supplies sent with the convoy included much-needed health, nutrition, water and sanitation supplies in addition to winter clothing for children under-14 years old and basic medicines, including antibiotics.

UNICEF calls on all parties to the conflict to allow all those displaced to voluntarily return to their homes or a place of their choosing in safety and dignity and guarantee sustained humanitarian access to be able to deliver assistance to all children in need in Rukban and elsewhere in Syria.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

[Polio this week as of 06 November 2018](#) [GPEI]

:: The [Semi-Annual Status Report](#) for January-June 2018 was recently published with detailed narrative for each of the Endgame Plan strategic objectives.

Summary of new viruses this week:

Democratic Republic of Congo – two new cases of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2)

Pakistan – Two new cases of wild poliovirus (WPV1) and two WPV1 positive environmental samples.

Niger - one new case of circulating vaccine-driven polio virus type 2 (cVDPV2).

Nigeria – four new cases of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2)

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Editor's Note:

WHO has posted a [refreshed emergencies page](#) which presents an updated listing of Grade 3,2,1 emergencies as below.

WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 10 Nov 2018]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

:: 14: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu 6 November 2018

:: DONs Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo 8 November 2018

[See Milestones above for more detail]

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis

:: Weekly Situation Report 49 - 1 November 2018 pdf, 410kb

Nigeria

:: WHO supports cholera vaccination in critical States of the Northwest region

Zamfara, 6 November, 2018 - The World Health Organization (WHO) is supporting health authorities in Zamfara with the necessary preparation for the implementation of the first Oral Cholera Vaccination (OCV) campaigns. Similar activity and assistance will be provided to Katsina and Kebbi States.

With financial support from GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance, these vaccination campaigns will directly protect 808,795 inhabitants of the three states who are aged one year and above from cholera. The campaigns will be implemented in two rounds for each state (14-18 November 2018 for the 1st round) and (11-16 December 2018 for the 2nd round). The intervention will complement efforts from the Federal Government and States in responding to the ongoing cholera outbreak and facilitate the prevention and control of cholera in Nigeria in the long term.

Nigeria is experiencing its largest cholera outbreak in recent years with over 42,466 suspected cases including 830 deaths reported from 01 January to 29 October 2018 in 20 states. The numbers sharply contrast 18,243 suspected cases reported in the country over the last three years (2015- 2017)...

South Sudan

:: WHO enhances Ebola Rapid Response Readiness Capacities in South Sudan

Juba 1 November 2018 – The World Health Organization is supporting the Ministry of Health of South Sudan, to train a total of 214 members of the Rapid Response Teams at the national level and in all the Ebola virus disease (EVD) high-risk states.

These trainings are part of the ongoing efforts to strengthen the country's preparedness capacities and mitigate the risk of EVD importation from the raging outbreak in North Kivu and Ituri in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The recent WHO EVD risk assessment raised the risk of regional

spread from "high" to "very high" thus justifying all efforts aimed at enhancing national EVD readiness capacities...

Syrian Arab Republic

:: [Hama National Hospital provides ray of hope for Syrian cancer patients](#) 1 November 2018

Yemen

:: [Statement on Yemen by Dr Ahmed Al-Mandhari, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean](#)

Cairo, 8 November 2018 – The current violence in Al Hudaydah is placing tens of thousands of already vulnerable people at risk, and preventing WHO from reaching them with the help they urgently need. The violence, now in close proximity to the area hospitals, is affecting the movement and safety of health staff, patients and ambulances, as well as the functionality of health facilities, leaving hundreds without access to treatment.

With only 50% of health facilities functioning across the country and no doctors in 18% of districts in Yemen, we cannot afford for one more health worker to lose their life, or one more hospital to go out of service. In Hudaydah city, the hospitals are closest to the frontlines, which is alarming and is jeopardizing the lives of health care workers and patients alike.

Increased fighting is also affecting the port of Al Hudaydah, through which 85% of the country's food supplies are normally imported. The people of Yemen are already on the brink of famine, with 1.8 million children under five and 1.1 million pregnant or breastfeeding women acutely malnourished. More than 400,000 severely acutely malnourished children rely on urgent and accessible medical care to stay alive.

As the immune systems of millions of Yemenis fail due to hunger, thousands are dying of malnutrition, cholera and other diseases. People living in Al Hudaydah are some of the worst hit, with the highest rates of cholera reported since the beginning of the outbreak...

[Somalia](#) - *No new announcements identified*

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[**WHO Grade 2 Emergencies**](#) [to 10 Nov 2018]

Myanmar

:: [Weekly Situation Report 49 - 1 November 2018 pdf, 410kb](#)

Iraq

:: [WHO and the Ministry of Health intensify response to gastroenteritis outbreak amid water crisis in Basra](#) 2 November 2018

[Brazil \(in Portugese\)](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Cameroon](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Central African Republic](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Ethiopia](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Hurricane Irma and Maria in the Caribbean](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[occupied Palestinian territory](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Libya](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[MERS-CoV](#) - *No new announcements identified*

[Niger](#) - *No new announcements identified*

Sao Tome and Principe Necrotizing Cellulitis (2017) - No new announcements identified

Sudan - No new announcements identified

Ukraine - No new announcements identified

Zimbabwe - No new announcements identified

Outbreaks and Emergencies Bulletin, Week 44: 27 October - 02 November 2018

The WHO Health Emergencies Programme is currently monitoring 55 events in the region. This week's edition covers key ongoing events, including:

- :: Yellow fever in Ethiopia
- :: Ebola virus disease in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- :: Cholera in Niger
- :: Humanitarian crisis in Democratic Republic of the Congo
- :: Humanitarian crisis in South Sudan

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WHO Grade 1 Emergencies [to 10 Nov 2018]

Afghanistan

Angola (in Portuguese)

Chad

Kenya

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Mali

Namibia - viral hepatitis

Papua New Guinea

Peru

Philippines - Typhoon Mangkhut

Tanzania

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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 22 October – 6 November 2018 | Issue 31

KEY ISSUES:

- :: UN calls for urgent action on five key points to avert an imminent humanitarian catastrophe in Yemen.
- :: A total of 118 humanitarian partners operate in the 333 districts of Yemen providing assistance to as many as 8 million people per month.
- :: Armed clashes, airstrikes and artillery shelling continued around the airport and Kilo 10 to the south and east of Al Hudaydah City; fighting was also reported on the Hays frontline.
- :: Partners identified 80,763 displaced families from Al Hudaydah hosted in Al Hudaydah, Hajjah, Raymah and Al Mahwit governorates; 71,363 of these households have been assisted since June.

:: US\$87 million has been allocated to 75 projects under the first Standard Allocation 2018 of the Yemen Humanitarian Fund, and will benefit over 3 million Yemenis in 19 governorates.

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.

Somalia

:: Humanitarian Bulletin Somalia, 4 October – 5 November 2018

HIGHLIGHTS

- :: Aid agencies step up livelihood, resilience support
- :: Conflict related displacement spikes in Lower Shabelle
- :: Evictions continue in Mogadishu
- :: Major disease outbreaks contained
- :: Polio immunization continues
- :: Mental health care must be prioritized
- :: Sustained funding needed to support the aid operation

Ethiopia - *No new announcements identified.*

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“Other Emergencies”

Indonesia: Central Sulawesi Earthquake

:: Central Sulawesi Earthquake & Tsunami: Humanitarian Country Team Situation Report #7 (as of 6 November 2018))

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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 10 Nov 2018]

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

9 November 2018

GA/SPD/684

Palestine Refugee Agency Faces Greatest Financial Crisis in Its History Following 2018 Funding Cuts, Commissioner-General Tells Fourth Committee

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) faces the greatest financial predicament in its history this year following the abrupt end to funding by the

United States, its Commissioner-General told the Fourth Committee (Special Political and Decolonization) today.

5 November 2018
DEV/3369-SAG/500

[Member States Pledge More than \\$425 Million at 2018 United Nations Conference for Development, Humanitarian Activities](#)

Some 19 countries pledged a total of \$425.69 million at today's 2018 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, reflecting an increase from the 2017 amount of \$398.98 million.

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 10 Nov 2018]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[Bachelet urges States with the power and influence to end starvation, killing of civilians in Yemen](#)

[ISIL's legacy of terror: at least 200 mass graves in Iraq, says UN report](#)

[Myanmar: UN expert pleads for Rohingya returns to stop, fears repeat abuses may await](#)

[UN expert: Civil society is crucial for sustainable development in Cambodia](#)

[Spain sets milestone in international human rights law, say UN women's rights experts](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 10 Nov 2018]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR_COUNCIL

No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/media/press-releases/>
No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx>
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 10 Nov 2018]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Health/Pages/SRRightHealthIndex.aspx>
No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/culturalrights/pages/srculturalrightsindex.aspx>
No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>
6 November 2018

[Mexico: Killing of indigenous rights defender is "reprehensible" say UN experts](#)

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>
No new digest content identified.

UN OCHA [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.unocha.org/media-centre/press-releases>
Selected Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://centre.humdata.org/>
No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>
Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements
Press release

[United Nations humanitarian convoy to Rukban: UNICEF delivers lifesaving vaccines, medicines and nutritional supplies for 50,000 people](#)

09/11/2018

Press release

[Children traveling with migrant caravan in Mexico at risk of psychosocial distress – UNICEF](#)

07/11/2018

Press release

[UNICEF welcomes new protocol to protect uprooted children in Ecuador](#)

06/11/2018

Press release

[Yemen: Children in Hudaydah hospital at imminent risk of death](#)

Statement by UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore

06/11/2018

Statement

[UNICEF calls for immediate release of abducted school children in North-West Cameroon](#)

Statement attributable to Marie-Pierre Poirier, UNICEF Regional Director for West and Central Africa

05/11/2018

Press release

["A living hell for children" - UNICEF Regional Director Geert Cappelaere remarks on the situation of children in Yemen](#)

04/11/2018

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Briefing notes

[Fleeing violence, Cameroonian refugee arrivals in Nigeria pass 30,000](#) 9 Nov 2018

[UNHCR extremely concerned about escalation of conflict in Yemen's Hudaydah](#) 9 Nov 2018

[2,000 lives and counting: Mediterranean death toll in 2018](#) 6 Nov 2018

Press releases and news comments

[News Comment by Pascale Moreau, UNHCR Director of the Bureau for Europe, on the interreligious declaration on refugees issued by the Swiss Council of Religions](#) 9 Nov 2018

[UNHCR statement on new US regulation on asylum](#) 9 Nov 2018

[Number of refugees and migrants from Venezuela reaches 3 million](#) 8 Nov 2018

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Announcements

Number of Refugees, Migrants from Venezuela Reaches 3 Million

2018-11-09 17:15

Geneva – IOM, the UN Migration Agency, and UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency announced yesterday (08/11) that the number of refugees and migrants from Venezuela worldwide has now reached three million.

EU's Multi-Million Euro Support for IOM, Partners Helps Thousands of Stranded Migrants in Bosnia and Herzegovina

2018-11-09 17:00

Sarajevo – With elevated numbers of migrants and refugees entering Bosnia and Herzegovina since 2017, the European Union has just allocated more than EUR 7.2 million in grants to support the work of the UN Migration Agency, IOM, in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

IOM Conducts Survey of One Central American Migrant Caravan

2018-11-09 16:55

San Salvador – The UN Migration Agency (IOM) yesterday (08/11) released the results of a survey conducted among migrants that are part of a 'migrant caravan' that left from San Salvador on October 31st

Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 101,185 in 2018; Deaths Reach 2,040

2018-11-09 16:40

Geneva – IOM, the UN Migration Agency, reports that 101,185 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea in 2018 through 7 November, including 49,254 to Spain, the region's most active destination point this year, with just under 49 per cent of all 2018 arrivals.

Big Name Brands Visit Rohingya Refugee Camps in Bangladesh

2018-11-06 15:08

Cox's Bazar – Representatives from Coca Cola, GAP and Mastercard, along with other big-name brands, have visited Rohingya refugee camps in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

UNAIDS [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

9 November 2018

Call for a broader vision for harm reduction [U.S.]

7 November 2018

UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board sees South Africa's AIDS response first-hand

7 November 2018

Ecuador innovates around HIV prevention in its cities

WHO & Regional Offices [to 10 Nov 2018]

News Release

New measures and strong partnership having positive impact on Ebola response in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

8 November 2018

[See Milestones/Perspectives above for detail]

New WHO guidelines to improve the physical health of people with severe mental disorders

7 November 2018

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

Selected Featured News

:: WHO Africa Innovation Challenge Calls for New Solutions to Improve Health in Africa: Promoting African Solutions for African people 09 November 2018

:: Uganda Vaccinates Front-line health-workers against Ebola 07 November 2018

:: WHO supports cholera vaccination in critical States of the Northwest region 06 November 2018

:: WHO: Urgent action needed to combat poisoning from artisanal gold mining in Africa
05 November 2018

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: Inequality exacerbates hunger, malnutrition and obesity in Latin America and the Caribbean
(11/07/2018)

:: Projects from Brazil, Paraguay and Suriname receive the 2018 PAHO Malaria Champions Award
(11/06/2018)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

- *No new announcement identified*

WHO European Region EURO

:: Tackling the taboo of menstrual hygiene in the European Region 08-11-2018

:: Avian influenza could spread along wild birds' migration routes this winter 06-11-2018

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Statement on Yemen by Dr Ahmed Al-Mandhari, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean 8 November 2018

:: WHO supports district health facilities in Yemen 7 November 2018

WHO Western Pacific Region

- *No new announcement identified*

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

Posted on November 5, 2018

[Blended Finance in the LDCs](#)

Launch of the report "Blended Finance in the Least Developed Countries"

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Upcoming Events

[08 Nov | Synthesis Report of Voluntary National Reviews 2018](#)

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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

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

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

09 Nov 2018 *Press release*

[Fast-tracking action on health and the environment](#)

Libreville, 9 November 2018 – African ministers of health and environment agreed today on a 10-year strategic plan to increase investment and accelerate joint health and environment priorities.

06 Nov 2018 *Press release*

[Billions to be gained in coral reef investment, new analysis shows](#)

Investing in coral reefs to prevent their current rate of decline could net \$37b for Indonesia, \$35b for Mesoamerican Reef by 2030, case studies show Without urgent intervention, the world is on track to lose up to 90 per

05 Nov 2018 *Press release*

[Montreal Protocol assessment reveals healing ozone, untapped potential for climate action](#)

Quito, 5 November 2018 –The latest Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion reveals a healing ozone layer, global warming reduction potential, and options for more ambitious climate action.

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

9 Nov 2018

[Germany gives € 5 million for Sendai Framework implementation](#)

The German Government has announced strong support for the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the global plan to reduce disaster losses, including €5 million for implementation over the next three years.

5 Nov 2018

[UN Secretary-General's Message for World Tsunami Awareness Day](#)

World Tsunami Awareness Day is an opportunity to emphasize the importance of disaster prevention and preparedness, says UN Secretary-General.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

9 November 2018, *New York*

[Internet Governance Forum set to explore pathways to harness new technologies for broader prosperity](#)

More than 3,000 participants, including high-level government officials, civil society leaders, private sector and internet policy experts, will gather in Paris, France, from 12 to 14 November to discuss international cooperation around issues such as fake news, the spread of disinformation, cybersecurity and privacy, big data, the Internet of Things, and their effects on society.

The Forum has taken on an increased profile as digital technology has become an integral part of daily life. The Forum will explore means to promote positive impacts of new technologies and how they can realize their full social and economic potential while also looking at curbing the more insidious uses of the Internet.

The Forum, convened by the United Nations Secretary-General, facilitates these dialogues to promote better internet governance and a safe and trustworthy environment...

UNESCO [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

09 November 2018

[Winners announced for the 2018 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation](#)

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Posted November 9, 2018

[Resilient Homes Challenge](#)

Nairobi, November 9, 2018 – UN-Habitat has recently joined the World Bank, Build Academy, Airbnb, and the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR) for a global crowd-solving challenge for designs of Resilient Homes.

Innovative App improves sustainability of housing projects.

NAIROBI, November 7, 2018 – UN-Habitat and the One Planet Network have developed an innovative way to improve sustainability of new housing projects and make green housing affordable. The SHERPA App helps users to overcome social, economic,...

Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative (TUMI) two years on

November 2018 – The Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative (TUMI) was established by the German Government, has just celebrated its second birthday. Since its launch in October 2016 at the Habitat III conference in Quito, TUMI has trained...

Posted November 9, 2018

Professional challenged to design low-cost resilient and sustainable housing units.

Nairobi, November 7, 2018 – Poor design, low quality of construction, exclusion from central planning processes, and inadequate access to basic services expose many city residents to serious environmental and health hazards. Over the last 10 years...

Posted November 7, 2018

Key actors gather to foster implementation of Myanmar's national climate change policy

Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, November 2018– – Over 150 participants, ranging from government officials across ministries and from Myanmar's States and Regions to representatives from academia, private sector, civil society and development partners, gathered in Nay Pyi...

Posted November 5, 2018

International delegates celebrate World Cities Day in Liverpool

Liverpool, UK 31 October 2018 – World Cities Day was marked by an unprecedented 70 cities globally this year with the main event co-hosted in the British city of Liverpool by the local council, UN-Habitat and the...

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/9-11-2018>

Strengthening indigenous food systems is key to achieving a zero-hunger world

70 panelists and more than 150 attendees from 40 countries reviewed evidence and discussed strategies at a high-level expert seminar held to explore ways to build on traditional knowledge to achieve Zero Hunger, organized by FAO and UNESCO

Waste not, want not: Improving diets by reducing food loss and waste

The brief, Preventing nutrient loss and waste across the food system: Policy actions for high-quality diets, points out that poor-quality diets are now a greater public health threat than malaria, tuberculosis or measles. Meanwhile, approximately one third of all the food produced for human consumption never reaches the consumer's plate or bowl.

7-11-2018

Inequality exacerbates hunger, malnutrition and obesity in Latin America and the Caribbean

Hunger, malnutrition, lack of micronutrients, overweight and obesity have greater impact on people with lower income, women, indigenous people, Afro-descendants and rural families in Latin America and the Caribbean, according to a new UN report.

7-11-2018

Declining international prices to ease food import burden for poorest countries

Declining agricultural commodity prices will ease the bill the world's poorest countries pay for food imports, although the rising U.S. dollar poses "serious concerns", FAO's Food Outlook says. Worldwide food imports are likely to reach \$1.467 trillion in 2018, 3.0 percent above the previous year's level.

6-11-2018

The world cannot stand by watching Yemen's human tragedy

The international community is failing to end hunger, evidenced by the tragic crisis in Yemen, the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) José Graziano da Silva told a high-level briefing on food insecurity to Member States at the United Nations in New York.

6-11-2018

FAO helps Indonesian farmers and fishers recover after earthquake and tsunami

The UN's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has launched a recovery programme to help more than 70 000 Indonesian farmers and fishers grow food and fish again following a series of disasters that just over a month ago devastated their lives. The country's deadliest earthquake in more than a decade, a tsunami and then landslides wracked havoc on people's homes and lands, and caused widespread loss of life and displacement.

5-11-2018

ILO International Labour Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

100 years of ILO History

A house for social justice - past, present and future

09 November 2018

The vision and rich history of the International Labour Organization has been closely bound up with the buildings that have housed its headquarters. In the first of a series looking at 100 years of ILO history, we chart key moments of the ILO story through the main buildings that have been its home.

GB roundup

ILO Governing Body wraps up its 334th session

09 November 2018

The October-November 2018 session of the ILO Governing Body ended on 8 November. ILO News discussed the highlights with Juan Llobera, Clerk of the Governing Body.

Press release

Guy Ryder attends Paris Armistice ceremonies on the eve of the ILO Centenary

09 November 2018

The commemoration of the end of the First World War in Paris has a symbolic dimension for the ILO.

Multilateral cooperation

Joint Press Release of the third "1+6" Round Table

06 November 2018

The Chinese Government and international organizations, including the ILO, issued a joint statement calling for a sustainable and inclusive global development at the third "1+6 Roundtable Meeting" in Beijing.

Press release

New strategic partnership to promote jobs and education for refugees and host communities

06 November 2018

The Netherlands has joined an innovative partnership with the ILO to support refugees and their host communities.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Publish Date: 5 November 2018

Montreal Protocol assessment reveals healing ozone, untapped potential for climate action

The latest Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion reveals a healing ozone layer, global warming reduction potential, and options for more ambitious climate action.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://news.upu.int/>

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

BALI, 8 November 2018

Bali Conference discusses unlocking Industry 4.0 for Asia and the Pacific countries

– Organized by the Ministry of Industry, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the first Regional Conference on Industrial Development opened today, with a focus on the evolving concept of Industry 4.0 and its impact on developing countries.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

By Clare Naden on 6 November 2018

[ISO standards help develop new toilet technology that will save millions of lives](#)

New ISO International Standard for revolutionary sanitation systems launched at the Reinvented Toilet Expo, supported by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, held in Beijing today.

By Clare Naden on 5 November 2018

[Improving farm safety: standards for agricultural machinery just updated](#)

Ensuring the safety of tractors and other agricultural equipment means ensuring the control systems that are in place work as they are meant to. The internationally trusted set of standards for such systems has just been updated, making it even fitter for the farm.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

8 November 2018

[UNWTO/ETC Report: Outbound Tourism Spending from the Gulf is Six Times the Global Average](#)

Madrid, Spain, 8 November 2018 – A new report from the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and the European Travel Commission (ETC) shows that outbound tourism from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) – comprising six countries of the Arabian peninsula – has grown strongly in recent years, with international tourism expenditure surpassing USD 60 billion in 2017.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

8 November 2018

[Governments meet in Egypt to build momentum for a New Deal for Nature and People: 2018 UN Biodiversity Conference held under the theme of "Investing in Biodiversity for People and Planet"](#)

- The global community will lay the groundwork for action over the next few decades to protect biodiversity and nature at the 2018 UN Biodiversity Conference , scheduled to take place in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt from 17 to 29 November 2018.

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USAID [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases

[U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green's Remarks at the Genocide and Persecution Response Program Roundtable](#)

November 9, 2018

U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green Announces the Completion of the Clean-Up of Agent Orange in Danang, Vietnam

November 7, 2018

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is proud to announce the completion of the environmental remediation of dioxin (Agent Orange) at Danang Airport. This achievement marks the end of the final phase of a historic, six-year, \$110-million project between the United States and Vietnam.

DFID [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases

Government commits £12 million to champion freedom of religion or belief worldwide

8 November 2018 DFID and FCO Press release

UK Aid Connect will work with faith groups, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and academics to embed freedom of religion or belief policies in poverty reduction work.

Elected women from around the world tackle gender equality

7 November 2018 DFID, FCO and GEO Press release

Women parliamentarians will sit in the House of Commons for an historic event to push for progress on women's equality.

ECHO [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

06/11/2018

Conflict-torn Yemen will receive €90 million in EU humanitarian aid

The European Commission has pledged €90 million in humanitarian aid for civilians in Yemen, as the conflict-torn country plunges into the world's worst hunger crisis. The new funding brings the total EU humanitarian aid in 2018 to €118 million....

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African Union [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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No new digest content identified.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://asean.org/category/news/asean-secretariat-news/>

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]

ASEAN Health Ministers renew commitment to fight communicable and emerging infectious diseases

BALI, 7 November 2018 – ASEAN Health Ministers and representatives from ASEAN Member States (AMS) reiterated commitment to secure ASEAN peoples from the threats of communicable and

emerging infectious diseases at the recent meeting in Bali. Ministry of Health - Indonesia hosted and chaired this meeting alongside the conduct of the 5th Global Health Security [...]

European Commission [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

06/11/2018

EU contributes €26 million to improve women, children and adolescents' health around the world

European Commission - Press release Oslo, 6 November 2018 The EU today pledged around €26 million (\$30 million) at the Global Financing Facility replenishment event. Hosted by the World Bank, the Governments of Norway and Burkina Faso, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the event takes place in Oslo.

Humanitarian aid: EU steps up humanitarian assistance for crisis in Yemen with additional €90 million

06/11/2018 - The Commission has allocated an additional €90 million in humanitarian aid for civilians in Yemen, as the conflict-torn country plunges into the world's worst hunger crisis. European Commission - Press release Brussels, 6 November 2018 The Commission has allocated an additional €90 million in humanitarian aid for civilians in Yemen, as the conflict-torn country plunges into the world's worst hunger crisis.

OECD [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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7-November-2018

Stopping antimicrobial resistance would cost just USD 2 per person a year

Superbug infections could cost the lives of around 2.4 million people in Europe, North America and Australia over the next 30 years unless more is done to stem antibiotic resistance. Yet, three out of four deaths could be averted by spending just USD 2 per person a year on measures as simple as handwashing and more prudent prescription of antibiotics, according to a new OECD report.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 8, 2018

OAS and UNHCR Present Report on the Rights of Migrants and Refugees in Mexico and Central America

The Organization of American States (OAS) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) today presented the first report of the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Report (MIRPS), which aims to defend the rights of migrants and refugees who live or cross the territories of Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Panama, and announced the creation of the Joint OAS-UNHCR Coordination Unit to analyze the progress of this initiative.

The [Regional Monitoring Report of MIRPS 2017-2018](#) consolidates the 180 commitments adopted in the MIRPS by the six participating countries, and reflects the achievements and challenges associated with the protection of refugees, asylum seekers and the displaced, in the care of host communities in

each of the countries, and at the regional level.

The report highlights that the six countries that make up the MIRPS registered:

:: An increase of 63 percent of asylum applications in 2018 (20,504 new applications) with respect to 2017 (12,542);

:: 61,000 refugees and asylum seekers in 2018;

:: 70 civil society organizations that assist migrants and refugees;

:: 65 shelters providing food and board for displaced people;

:: 12,000 children and adolescents that returned to their homes in northern Central America;

:: 73,000 people with needs for protection provided with safe spaces (January-June 2018); and

:: 14 civil society organizations that implement poverty reduction projects in the northern zone of Central America.

The Secretary General of the OAS, Luis Almagro, highlighted the progress of MIRPS twelve months after its foundation. "The region must join efforts to protect the rights of migrants and refugees who - increasingly - cross the borders of their countries in search of a better future. In its first year, the MIRPS has shown that it is a useful tool, we hope that the countries of the region continue to support this initiative to respond to this challenge," said Almagro.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Group of 77 [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Latest News

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[**WCO Strategic Plan 2019/2022: Consultation with the North of Africa, Near and Middle East Region**](#)

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]

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[DG Azevêdo and Prime Minister Abe discuss easing global tensions and strengthening WTO](#)

Director-General Roberto Azevêdo met with Japan's Prime Minister Shinzō Abe in Tokyo today (8 November 2018) to discuss the current situation in global trade, efforts to ease the growing tensions between major trading partners and the emerging debate on strengthening the WTO. The Director-General welcomed Japan's continuing leadership on these points.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]

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

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[Education in Fragile, Conflict & Violence Contexts](#)

Providing quality education and skills for all in countries affected by fragility, conflict, or violence is an urgent development priority. Wherever they are, children must go to school. WHY IT...

Date: November 09, 2018 Type: Brief

[Inclusive Education](#)

Despite the considerable progress worldwide ensuring all children are enrolled in school, many children with disabilities are still left behind. There cannot be barriers to educating children. WHY...

Date: November 09, 2018 Type: Brief

[World Bank Group and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Commit to Innovation to Speed Up Sanitation for All](#)

BEIJING, November 6, 2018 – The World Bank Group and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have committed to work together to unlock at least \$1 billion in investments in innovative sanitation solutions...

Date: November 06, 2018 Type: Press Release

[See Week in Review above for more detail]

[Delivering Social Protection in the Midst of Conflict and Crisis: The Case of Yemen](#)

Despite a situation of an active violent conflict, the Yemen Emergency Crisis Response Project continues to deliver services and cash to the poor and vulnerable nationwide. This paper captures lessons...

Date: November 05, 2018 Type: Publication Language: English

[New Study Explores Social Cohesion in Forced Displacement Contexts to Inform Programming and Project Design](#)

As situations of forced displacement become more protracted, understanding how it affects social relations has become pertinent for host governments and other development actors. A newly published study...

Date: November 05, 2018 Type: Publication

IMF [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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

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[ASEAN and the IMF: Staying on Track with the Sustainable Development Goals](#)

African Development Bank Group [to 10 Nov 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]

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[Africa Investment Forum: Development Financial Institutions pledge joint effort to ramp up investment into Africa](#)

- Major Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) have agreed to join forces to help boost private investments in developing economies, particularly those in Africa. The commitment was made by high-profile representatives from development finance institutions in Europe, Africa and Asian at the Africa Investment Forum, in Johannesburg.

[Lusophone countries have identified a pipeline of more than US\\$5 billion in private sector and private-public partnership \(PPP\) projects to accelerate growth in their economies](#)

08/11/2018 - The projects form part of a development finance compact between the Bank, the government of Portugal, and the six Portuguese-speaking countries of Africa - Angola, Cabo Verde, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, and Sao Tomé and Príncipe, also known as PALOPs. The compact, signed at the African Investment Forum in Johannesburg on Tuesday, stems from efforts by the African Development Bank to bring more focus on the private sector in the PALOPs.

Asian Development Bank [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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

9 Nov 2018

[ADB Assistance to Help Prevent Cervical Cancer, Other Infectious Diseases in Pacific](#)

ADB's Board of Directors has approved a total financing package of \$29.7 million to support the introduction of new vaccines in Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu...ADB's assistance will finance the pooled procurement of HPV, rotavirus, and pneumococcus conjugate vaccines through an established UNICEF supply facility.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]

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

09 Nov 2018

[Peace and stability are not possible without rural development, says IFAD President ahead of Paris Peace Forum](#)

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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 10 Nov 2018]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://www.alima-ngo.org/en/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 8, 2018

Urban

Growth at the grassroots: Communities revamping urban slums

by Hasina Mushrofa and Mahira Khan

Bangladesh is a country the size of New York but with a population that's 8.5 times as large – 165 million people live in Bangladesh, compared to New York's 19 million. 1 in 3 people in the country's capital, Dhaka, live in urban slums.

CARE International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

9th Nov 2018

42 NGOs warn that return of refugees to Myanmar now would be dangerous and premature.

Humanitarian and civil society agencies working in Rakhine State in Myanmar and in the Rohingya refugee camps in Bangladesh are deeply concerned that the repatriation of refugees will commence in mid-November, according to an announcement of the Joint Working Group of the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar on 30th October.

Clubhouse International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

NEWS

Many refugees and migrants experience abuses

Despite different motives and routes, migrants in mixed migration flows have one thing in common: they experience severe abuses, often as victims of policies trying to stop them and via the smugglers who profit from their movements. But most people would do it again, despite the abuses. That's according to the latest trends from the 2018 Mixed Migration Review. This study is the first of its kind from the Mixed Migration Centre (MMC) under the Danish Refugee Council, which builds on a unique dataset with more than 10,000 interviews with people on the move globally and a wide range of secondary sources.

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ECPAT [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 08, 2018 8:31 AM

[Escalation of fighting in Hodeidah: Joint INGO statement](#)

Heifer International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Posted: 08 November 2018

[Older people's lives at risk as war in Yemen leaves them struggling for food, income and medication](#)

Over the past three years, civil war in Yemen has caused hundreds of thousands of civilian casualties and devastated much of the country. We estimate that 1.65 million older people are at risk and in need of humanitarian assistance.

ICRC [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[International Humanitarian Law is key to upholding multilateralism and addressing global challenges](#)

ICRC Statement to the United Nations Security Council Open Debate on "Maintenance of International Peace and Security: Strengthening Multilateralism and the Role of the United Nations" delivered by Robert Mardini, Permanent Observer to the UN and Head
09-11-2018 | Article

[Yemen: Prospects of peace do not excuse violations in Hodeida battle](#)

Yemen/Geneva – As Hodeida sees a dramatic escalation in the fighting around the city, the ICRC calls on warring parties to protect civilians and civilian infrastructure from unnecessary harm, especially in the lead-up to potential talks between parties
08-11-2018 | News release

[Prison design crucial for detainees' dignity, says new ICRC guidance](#)

Dignity of detainees must be at the heart of good prison design, promoting better mental health and more successful integration back into society, according to new ICRC guidance launched at an event in London next week.

06-11-2018 | Article

IFRC [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Asia Pacific, Indonesia

[Indonesia disasters: Red Cross announces major expansion of response efforts](#)

The Secretary General of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) has announced a significant expansion of Red Cross response and recovery efforts in the wake of two major disasters.

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Asia Pacific, Philippines

[Media advisory: Resilience, protracted crises and volunteering top of agenda at major humanitarian summit](#)

Red Cross and Red Crescent leaders from 51 countries across Asia, the Pacific and the Middle East will meet in Manila from 11 to 14 November to address some of the most pressing humanitarian challenges in the region.

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International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/>

Story

[Clean Water: Restoring Dignity, Health and Education](#)

November 9, 2018

Ethiopia, Africa's oldest independent nation and, to many, a symbol of liberty, is today afflicted by a lack of clean, accessible water. Though this is not the only battle that the people of Ethiopia are facing, given the already immense levels of poverty and instability in the region, it makes life much harder than it ...

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Media highlights

Statement

[42 NGOs, including the IRC, warn that return of refugees to Myanmar now would be dangerous and premature](#)

November 8, 2018

Statement

[US Asylum Changes Breach Domestic and International Law](#)

November 8, 2018

Perspective

[With 14 million people at risk of famine in Yemen, IRC calls for immediate ceasefire around port city of Hodeidah](#)

November 8, 2018

IRCT [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Landsea [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Pakistan

[Increasing newborn babies' chances of survival](#)

Project Update 8 Nov 2018

Iraq

[Rehabilitated hospital improves access to healthcare in Sinjar](#) d...

Press Release 8 Nov 2018

Yemen

[Influx of war wounded as fighting intensifies in Hodeidah, Hajjah,...](#)

Press Release 7 Nov 2018

Mercy Corps [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Press releases

[Mercy Corps: United States Government Must Respect the Human Right to Seek Asylum](#)

United States November 9, 2018

Statement by Dr. Dafna H. Rand, Vice President for Policy and Research

In response to changes in federal regulations that could limit the right of migrants to seek asylum in the United States, Mercy Corps is issuing the following statement, attributable to Dr. Dafna H. Rand, Vice President for Policy and Research:

"Mercy Corps works around the world to protect vulnerable people fleeing war, famine and natural disasters. Mercy Corps opposes new Trump Administration measures that could limit the ability of at-risk individuals to seek asylum in the United States. While we do not typically comment on domestic U.S. policy issues, these measures undermine key principles that we aim to protect around the world.

"The right to seek asylum is firmly enshrined in U.S. and international law. Erecting new barriers to asylum would erode this fundamental right and weaken America's commitment to the rule of law at home and abroad."

Operation Smile [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]

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

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The UN has repeatedly stated that conditions in Myanmar are not conducive to return at this time. Refugees continue to flee Myanmar and facilitating repatriation now would be premature.

Oxfam joins with Yemeni and international organizations to call for an immediate ceasefire in Yemen

7 November 2018

With 14 million men, women and children on the brink of famine – half the country's population – there has never been a more urgent time to act.

Oxfam urges parties to conflict in Central African Republic to stop targeting civilians and to allow unhindered humanitarian access

7 November 2018

An estimated 28,000 people are affected by a surge in violence in Central African Republic following a recent attack on a camp for internally displaced people in the town of Batangafo.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Latest news from NRC

On-the-record update on the situation in Hodeidah, Yemen

Published 09. Nov 2018

"Hodeidah is at risk of being obliterated. We warned the international community that an offensive on the city was coming, and it has. We warned that the violence would see another half a million people flee their homes, and it did," said Mohamed Abdi, NRC's country director in Yemen today.

Sinjar: Three years on, Yazidis have nowhere to return

Published 08. Nov 2018

Three years since Sinjar was retaken from Islamic State group, more than 200,000 people, mostly Yazidis, remain displaced in northern Iraq and abroad, with no homes to return to.

[How we work to solve Somalia's eviction crisis](#)

Shakur Ali | Published 07. Nov 2018

Pact [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Nov 08, 2018

[Malaria Cases Rising in Malawi as Peak Season Nears](#)

Flora and Thomas Tigone worried when their infant son, Chisomo, suddenly became lethargic and feverish. A month ago, an older child had battled malaria. Fearing that was the case with Chisomo, Flora and Thomas knew they had to act quickly.

Nov 07, 2018

[Single Mother in Malawi Caring for Kids, Handling HIV](#)

Agnes Paulo's expression was somber as she held her infant son, Ulemu, in her lap. Paulo, 35, is a single mother and living with HIV. Her four older children are HIV-negative, but Ulemu had not yet been tested.

PATH [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Friday 9 November 2018

[Gaza protests: Futures of nearly 1,000 children shot by live ammunition hang in the balance amid strained health system](#)

Save the Children urge for an end to violence at border which has seen 948^[1] children hit by live ammunition and for support for those who have been wounded.

Friday 9 November 2018

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Humanitarian and civil society agencies working in Rakhine State in Myanmar and in the Rohingya refugee camps in Bangladesh are deeply concerned that the repatriation of refugees will commence in mid-November, according to an announcement of the Joint Working Group of the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar on 30th October.

The Governments of Myanmar and Bangladesh have made assurances to the refugees and the international community that repatriation will only happen when it is safe, voluntary and dignified. We call on both governments to stand by their commitments.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Wednesday 7 November 2018

Intense fighting reported near save the children health facility in Hodeidah

Aid agency calls for an immediate end to the fighting to avoid any further civilian casualties

November 7, 2018 – Intense fighting has been reported near a Save the Children supported health facility in the Yemeni port city of Hodeidah early this morning, damaging one of the pharmacies that supplies life-saving medicines. Shelling has also hit residential areas.

The incident caused widespread panic and demonstrates that heavy fighting has reached the densely populated city, endangering civilians and aid workers alike.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Honduras – 8 November 2018

Helping separated children returning from the migration 'caravan'

SOS Children's Villages Honduras is caring for unaccompanied children who have been sent back to their homeland.

Tostan [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://www.tostan.org>

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://wvi.org/>

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

Press Release | November 5, 2018

[EFF Unveils Virtual Reality Tool To Help People Spot Surveillance Devices in Their Communities](#)

San Francisco—The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) launched [a virtual reality \(VR\) experience](#) on its website today that teaches people how to spot and understand the surveillance technologies police are increasingly using to spy on communities. “We are living in an age of surveillance, where hard-to-spot cameras capture our faces and...

Freedom House [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

No new digest content identified.

Transparency International [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

7 Nov 2018

[Transparency International supports calls to protect independence of Mueller investigation](#)

- In light of the recent ouster of Jeff Sessions, global anti-corruption coalition Transparency International calls on US leadership defend the independence and integrity of the investigation led by Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

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Bond [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

8 November 2018

[Can big NGOs survive and thrive again?](#)

Oxfam GB's former deputy chief executive discusses the challenges facing big international development charities and shares her insights into how they can remain relevant.

Penny Lawrence

8 November 2018

ChildFund Alliance [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 10 Nov 2018]

<http://www.dec.org.uk/media-centre>

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No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

Guest blog Hala Kilani 8 November 2018

[Climate Vulnerable Countries take the lead in the fight against climate change despite low emissions and limited resources](#)

Ahead of the [Climate Vulnerable Forum's Virtual Summit](#), Hala Kilani, of the Climate Action Network underscores the urgent need for collective climate action. She highlights the ambition of those already feeling the effects of climate change to create a sustainable future.

News 7 November 2018

[Mary Robinson outlines priorities in her new role as Chair of The Elders](#)

Mary Robinson reflects on her appointment as Chair of The Elders and our recent board meeting in London. In this, her first public message, she calls for holistic leadership that places the interests of ordinary people centre stage.

END Fund [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 10 Nov 2018]

www.evidenceaid.org

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/>

Voices

[PrEPed to Prevent HIV](#)

08 November 2018

Shakira Ndagire's life is anything but ordinary. At 24, she is the youngest sex worker we met at Kawempe slum in Kampala, Uganda, where she has been a sex worker for half her life. She says she started selling sex "one way or another" when she was 13.

Global Fund Supports Replenishment of Global Financing Facility

06 November 2018

OSLO – The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria expressed strong support for the Global Financing Facility (GFF) Replenishment, convened in Oslo today.

As a signatory of the Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Goal 3, to achieve good health and wellbeing for all, the Global Fund fully supports collaborative efforts to improve health financing in countries all over the world.

“It is absolutely essential that we work together to end preventable deaths and build a safer and healthier world, particularly for women, children and young people,” said Peter Sands, Executive Director of the Global Fund. “Sustainable health financing will save more lives, strengthen health systems and accelerate the journey toward UHC.”...

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

11/07/2018 *Blog,*

HPC Fellow: Daniela Muenzel, ECPAT International

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources

Joint NGO Statement: Bangladesh and Myanmar dangerous and premature returns

November, 2018

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

News

Children Living in Central African Republic’s Displacement Camps Find a Pathway to Education

Relief Web 8 November 2018

Jospin is a 13-year-old boy living in the Kaga Bandoro Internal Displacement Camp in the Central African Republic (CAR). He came here almost four years ago by foot with his mother, father and seven brothers and sisters. Like many of the 680,000 people who have been displaced by wide-scale uptick in violence in CAR, Jospin had never been to school.

Despite funding crisis, Palestine refugee students can end the school year: UNRWA

Relief Web 8 November 2018

The Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) will most likely be able to keep its schools open for Palestine refugee students until the end of the school year in 2019.

School access helps integrate migrant children in Greece

Info Migrants 6 November 2018

A recent study by the International Organisation for Migration in Greece showed that access to regular education has helped social inclusion for migrant and refugee children.

350,000 Rohingya refugee children to get an education

Relief Web 6 November 2018

About 350,000 Rohingya refugee children and teenagers who fled violence in Myanmar are to get a basic education in Bangladesh.

InterAction [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Latest News; Blog Entries

Nov 9, 2018

From Dependency to Partnership: Why We Need to Radically Transform the Donor-Grantee Relationship

This post was written by Emily Bove, Senior Fellow at InterAction

Start Network [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

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Vacancy: Head of Programmes

Are you an experienced professional in the aid sector? Have you worked in membership organisations? Do you enjoy harnessing people together to find collective solutions to difficult issues? Do you want to be part of a small, dynamic team who are intent on raising quality, accountability and people management in how organisations support people affected by crisis?

06/11/2018

Vacancy: Head of Membership and Communications

Are you a seasoned professional with demonstrated experience in developing and leading strategic communications for non-profit organizations with a global membership reach. Do you want to be part of a small but dynamic team who are intent on raising quality and accountability in how organisations support people affected by crisis? Do you have the right skills and experience to galvanise a large and diverse membership around meeting the Core Humanitarian Standard?

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[Vacancy: Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse \(PSEA\) Manager](#)

Do you have experience in supporting organisations make sure they are adhering to the highest standards of preventing sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment? Do you have current knowledge on best practices and policies in the humanitarian sector? Are you someone who enjoys supporting others to find solutions to challenges? Do you want to work for a small, but dynamic team to bring your knowledge and experience to a large membership organisation?

Development Initiatives [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://www.urd.org/?lang=en>

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://ihsa.info/>

No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

24 October 2018 | *Sphere Standards*

[Sphere Handbook 2018: New edition out on 6 November 2018](#)

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 10 Nov 2018]

<https://phap.org/>

Latest News

[Prepare for your PHAP Certifications with Humanitarian Leadership Academy's Kaya](#)

6 November 2018

We are happy to announce the launch of the partnership with the Humanitarian Leadership Academy in assisting its humanitarian e-learners to prepare for the PHAP Credentialing Program certifications through the Academy's e-learning platform

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Brookings

<http://www.brookings.edu/>

Accessed 10 Nov 2018

Latest Research

Latin America & the Caribbean

[Nicaragua: Revolution and restoration](#)

Richard E. Feinberg

November 2018

Energy Industry

[Complexities of integrating Renewable Energy into India's grid](#)

Rahul Tongia, Santosh Harish, and Rahul Walawalkar

Thursday, November 8, 2018

U.S. Politics & Government

[Tracking turnover in the Trump administration](#)

Kathryn Dunn Tenpas, Elaine Kamarck, and Nicholas W. Zeppos

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Report

[Educational gaps among ethnic minorities](#)

Eliana Villar Márquez

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Report

[Gender-sensitive pedagogy](#)

Hawah Nabbuye

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Center for Global Development [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 7, 2018

[Digital Governance: Is Krishna a Glimpse of the Future?](#)

Earlier this year we undertook a field study of Krishna district of Andhra Pradesh (AP), together with collaborators from Microsave, to understand the experience and perceptions around digital governance reforms. Our three surveys—of households, ration shop owners, and bank correspondents—find widespread support for digital governance reforms, including the use of Aadhaar authentication to receive food rations through the public distribution system (PDS) and social pensions through the panchayat, as well as for digital land records. However, we also find some areas for improvement. Alan Gelb , Anit Mukherjee and Kyle Navis

November 5, 2018

[Five Ways to Improve the World Bank Funding for Refugees and Hosts in Low-Income Countries and Why These Dedicated Resources Matter More than Ever](#)

For too long, the international community has accepted the convenient fiction that refugee crises are temporary.

Sarah Charles , Cindy Huang , Lauren Post and Kate Gough

November 5, 2018

[Are Mobile Savings the Silver Bullet to Help Women Grow Their Businesses?](#)

Savings can help businesses expand, by enabling them to finance lumpy investments and absorb unexpected shocks. However, several barriers stand in the way of women firm owners in developing countries who want to increase their savings.

[Gautam Bastian](#) , [Iacopo Bianchi](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Markus Goldstein](#) , [Tanvi Jaluka](#) , [James C. Knowles](#) , [Joao Montalvao](#) and [Firman Witoelar](#)

CSIS [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[What Bolsonaro's Victory in Brazil Means for U.S. Foreign Policy in Latin America](#)

November 9, 2018

The United States should pay more attention to a series of changes that, depending on the way the leaders of these different nations behave, could create opportunities or lead to a new set of difficulties for the United States and its allies.

Report

[The United States, Russia, and Europe in 2018](#)

November 8, 2018 | [Olga Oliker](#)

In October 2018, a select group of Russian and American experts met to discuss four topics central to U.S.-Russian relations: the conflict in Ukraine, the future of the European security order, the war in Syria, and the question of interference in other states'...

Report

[The Rise of Far-Right Extremism in the United States](#)

November 7, 2018 | [Seth G. Jones](#)

Right-wing extremism in the United States appears to be growing. U.S. federal and local agencies need to quickly double down to counter this threat.

Report

[Saudi Arabia's New Approach in Iraq](#)

November 6, 2018

After more than 25 years of disengagement from Baghdad, Riyadh is now attempting to repair relations in order to build greater influence and counter Iran's presence.

Report

[Opportunities for Future IDB Involvement in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)

November 5, 2018 | [Juan José Daboub](#), [Daniel F. Runde](#)

The future leadership of the IDB should be adaptive given the inherent changes in the region, but firm about the reforms that are still lagging in some countries.

Report

[Russian Military Reforms from Georgia to Syria](#)

November 5, 2018

Following years of sweeping reforms, Russian operations in Syria have served as a public testing ground for a new and improved Russian military.

Report

[Artificial Intelligence and National Security: The Importance of the AI Ecosystem](#)

November 5, 2018 | [Lindsey R. Sheppard](#), [Andrew Philip Hunter](#)

This study presents the key steps to be taken to facilitate the successful integration of AI into national security applications based on an accurate understanding of where the AI field currently stands.

ODI [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[The norms factor: recent research on gender, social norms and women's economic empowerment](#)

Working and discussion papers | November 2018 | Rachel Marcus

This report helps explain stagnation in women's labour force participation in some contexts.

Urban Institute [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 1, 2018

[How Have Workers Fared Under the ACA?](#)

Whether the coverage provisions under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) would lead to adverse labor market consequences in the form of reduced employment, hours worked, or earnings has been the subject of substantial debate and analysis. This brief assesses whether coverage gains from 2010 to 2016 were associated with changes in labor market outcomes across occupations. Using data from the American Community Survey and the

[Anuj Gangopadhyaya](#), [Bowen Garrett](#), [Stan Dorn](#)

November 7, 2018

Research Report

[Payment Innovations To Improve Diagnostic Accuracy And Reduce Diagnostic Error](#)

Diagnostic accuracy is essential for treatment decisions but is largely unaccounted for by payers, including in fee-for-service Medicare and proposed Alternative Payment Models (APMs). We discuss three payment-related approaches to reducing diagnostic error. First, coding changes in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule could facilitate the more effective use of teamwork and information technology in the diagnostic process and

[Robert A. Berenson](#), [Hardeep Singh](#)

November 5, 2018

Journal Article

World Economic Forum [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Selected News Releases

News 09 Nov 2018

[Mind-Reading, Mood Manipulation or Medicine from Poison: New Survey Finds Grounds for Caution and Optimism at the Frontiers of Science](#)

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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 10 Nov 2018]

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

Press Release

[Research teams from Salk Institute for Biological Studies, Stanford University, University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center selected to study healthy brain aging, better treatments for neurodegenerative diseases](#)

November 9, 2018

The American Heart Association and Allen Institute announce \$43 million commitment in research funding for innovative approaches to combat age-related dementia, including Alzheimer's disease.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

NOVEMBER 09, 2018

[The Japan Sports Agency and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announce partnership to use the power of sport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals](#)

"Our Global Goals" campaign to capitalize on momentum of the Olympic and Paralympic Games Tokyo 2020

TOKYO, JAPAN, November 9, 2018 – The Japan Sports Agency and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation today announced a new partnership to utilize the momentum of the Olympic and Paralympic Games Tokyo 2020 to increase awareness of, and participation in, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Launching in 2019, the "Our Global Goals" project will bring together Japanese and global athletes as Ambassadors to champion the SDGs. Harnessing the spirit of sport, these ambassadors will work with both Japanese and global NGOs towards realizing the SDGs and creating a legacy of action for the Olympic and Paralympic Games Tokyo 2020...

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]
<https://www.clintonfoundation.org/press-releases-and-statements>
No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]
<http://www.fordfoundation.org/?filter=News>
No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 10 Nov 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 10 Nov 2018]
<http://www.grameenfoundation.org/news-events/press-room>
No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]
<http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/>
No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]
<http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news>
Our News

[A Message From Our President](#)

By Peter Laugharn, November 8, 2018

Today we awoke once again to the news of another senseless act of violence, this one resulting in the loss of 12 lives. This time, the tragedy occurred in our neighboring community of Thousand Oaks,

just five miles from the offices of the Hilton Foundation at the Borderline Bar and Grill, where dozens of local college students gather every Wednesday night to dance, celebrate and socialize...

IKEA Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Research Nov 8 2018

[Clovis People Spread to Central and South America, then Vanished](#)

Scientists have found DNA evidence for the southward migration of the people who spread the so-called Clovis culture of North America. But starting about 9,000 years ago, these people were replaced by a distinct population.

Research Nov 6 2018

[Structure-ID Technique Could Shift Chemistry to Warp Speed](#)

Scientists have successfully determined high-resolution structures of several small molecules using a technique called MicroED.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Press Releases & Statements

Opinion November 6, 2018

[The Modernization Our Civil Legal System Needs](#)

Technology can help people who don't have lawyers and make courts more efficient.

By: [Susan Urahn](#)

Rockefeller Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 9, 2018

[The Rockefeller Foundation Names David B. Mitchell as New Managing Director for Health Operations](#)

The Rockefeller Foundation today announced that David B. Mitchell has been named managing director of operations for the Foundation's Health initiative. Mr. Mitchell comes to the Foundation from R4 Technologies, an artificial intelligence start-up created by founders of Priceline, where he served as vice president for corporate development, responsible for identifying, analyzing, and executing a range of strategic and financial initiatives...

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports

[How the Future of Work May Impact Our Well-Being](#)

November 8, 2018 *Blog Post* [Paul Tarini](#)

The health of workers in a rapidly changing work environment is often overlooked. In a time when incomes, schedules, and health care are becoming less predictable, what are the ramifications for health?

[How Have Workers Fared Under the ACA?](#)

November 8, 2018 *Brief*

Concerns regarding negative effects on employment and employer-sponsored insurance did not come to fruition according to an Urban Institute analysis of federal data.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 10 Nov 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..."

No new digest content identified.

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 10 Nov 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

News 7 November 2018

[Second global call to action against drug-resistant infections](#)

Wellcome is to co-host a second global event, in Ghana, to help drive pioneering action to stop the rise and spread of superbugs.

See the full [Call to Action event agenda \[PDF 669KB\]](#) 19-20 November 2018, Accra, Ghana

Opinion 7 November 2018

[How we're using research and evidence to make sure public engagement has a big impact](#)

Carla Ross leads the new Public Engagement Research and Evidence team. Here she explains what the team will be looking at over the next year.

News | 5 November 2018

[Wellcome is updating its open access policy](#)

Following a six-month review, we're updating our open access (OA) policy. The changes will apply from 1 January 2020. Robert Kiley, Head of Open Research, explains what will be different and why.

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Foundation Center [to 10 Nov 2018]

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

November 8, 2018

[Disaster Giving Report Shows Foundations and Public Charities Funded Nearly \\$200 Million in 2016](#)

New York, NY — November 8, 2018. Foundation Center and the Center for Disaster Philanthropy (CDP) announce the fifth edition of their annual research report, [Measuring the State of Disaster Philanthropy 2018: Data to Drive Decisions](#). The report draws from 12 data sources, including first-time analysis of contributions by non-U.S. donors, public charities, and smaller U.S. foundations. In total, the new report documents \$30 billion in private, public, corporate, and individual disaster-related giving to address major disasters and humanitarian crises that affected millions globally in 2016.

Key findings for 2016 philanthropic funding reveal:

:: Almost \$200 million in funding by global foundations and public charities for disasters and humanitarian crises.

:: Natural disasters accounted for 44 percent of disaster funding.

:: Man-made accidents received 15 percent of disaster funding, with several large grants addressing the Flint, Michigan water crisis.

Among disaster assistance strategies, more than 40 percent of dollars were for response and relief; 17 percent went toward reconstruction and recovery—more than half of this was related to the Flint water crisis...

Council on Foundations [to 10 Nov 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

November 2018 Volume 46, Issue 11, p1201-1318

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

November 2018 Volume 55, Issue 5, p583-758

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

November 2018 108(11)

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

INFLUENZA PANDEMICS, 1918–2018
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 99, Issue 5, 2018

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/99/5>

Stories from the Field

[Typhoid in a Kenyan Village: Its Impact, Its Prevention](#)

Kenneth Simiyu and Leslie Jamka

<https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.18-0537>

Perspective Piece

[To End TB, First-Ever High-Level Meeting on Tuberculosis Must Address Stigma](#)

Amrita Daftary, Ellen M. H. Mitchell, Michael J. A. Reid, Endalkachew Fekadu and Eric Goosby

<https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.18-0591>

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

Review

[Can reflective multicriteria be the new paradigm for healthcare decision-making? The EVIDEM journey](#)

Multiple technologies, procedures and programs call for fairly-based decisions for prioritization of healthcare interventions. There is a diversity of perspectives of what constitutes a legitimate decision, wh...

Authors: Mireille M. Goetghebeur and Marjo S. Cellier

Citation: Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation 2018 16(Suppl 1):54

Published on: 9 November 2018

Commentary

[Priority setting for the introduction of rotavirus vaccine: what evidence was essential?](#)

Rotavirus (RV) diarrhea is the most common cause of severe diarrhea in children worldwide and since 2006, vaccines have been available and recommended by WHO for use in all children. We developed protocols tha...

Authors: Roger I. Glass

Citation: Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation 2018 16(Suppl 1):42

Published on: 9 November 2018

Commentary

[Stakeholder involvement in Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis](#)

This brief perspective highlights the importance of decision maker buy-in and ownership through stakeholder engagement in the co-construction of the multi-criteria decision analysis (MCDA) model. A brief histo...

Authors: Praveen Thokala and Guruprasad Madhavan

Citation: Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation 2018 16(Suppl 1):0

Published on: 9 November 2018

Research

[Introduction: priority setting in global health](#)

Authors: David E. Bloom, Daniel Cadarette, Rashmi Dayalu and Jessica Sullivan

Citation: Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation 2018 16(Suppl 1):49

Published on: 9 November 2018

BMJ Global Health

November 2018 - Volume 3 - Suppl 5

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/3/5>

Empowering frontline providers to deliver universal primary healthcare using the Practical Approach to Care Kit

[New issue; No digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

Research article

[Disaster preparedness and response capacity of regional hospitals in Tanzania: a descriptive cross-sectional study](#)

Tanzania has witnessed several disasters in the past decade, which resulted in substantial mortality, long-term morbidity, and significant socio-economic losses. Health care facilities and personnel are critic...

Authors: Philip M. Koka, Hendry R. Sawe, Khalid R. Mbaya, Said S. Kilindimo, Juma A. Mfinanga, Victor G. Mwafongo, Lee A. Wallis and Teri A. Reynolds

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2018 18:835

Published on: 6 November 2018

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

Research article

| 7 November 2018

[Challenges arising when seeking broad consent for health research data sharing: a qualitative study of perspectives in Thailand](#)

Authors: Phaik Yeong Cheah, Nattapat Jatupornpimol, Borimas Hanboonkunupakarn, Napat Khirikoekkong, Podjane Jittamala, Sasithon Pukrittayakamee, Nicholas P. J. Day, Michael Parker and Susan Bull

Research article

| 6 November 2018

[Impact of moral case deliberation in healthcare settings: a literature review](#)

Authors: Maaïke M. Haan, Jelle L. P. van Gorp, Simone M. Naber and A. Stef Groenewoud

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

Commentary

| 9 November 2018

[A step forward for an attenuated blood-stage malaria vaccine](#)

Authors: James M. Burns Jr.

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 10 Nov 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

November 2018 - Volume 8 - 11

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 96, Number 11, November 2018, 729-796

<http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/96/11/en/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 44, Issue 6 Pages: 801-929 November 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

October 2018 Volume 40, Issue 10, p1621-1788

<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 15 Issue 6, December 2018

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/15/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/>

[Accessed 10 Nov 2018]

[No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 74 Pages 1-106 (November 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/74/suppl/C>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

December 2018 - Volume 31 - Issue 6

<https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 18, Issue 3 Pages: 205-306 September 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 28, Issue 8, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 36, Issue 6 Pages: i-iv, 629, 631-759 October 2018

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 13, Issue 8, 2018

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 12 - Issue 5 - October 2018

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

Commentary

[The Potential Impact of Border Security Upon Prevalence of Infectious Disease](#)

[Christiana R. Dallas](#), [Curtis H. Harris](#), [Cham E. Dallas](#)

<https://doi.org/10.1017/dmp.2017.118>

Published online: 15 March 2018, pp. 554-562

Abstract

In the U.S., migration has been documented to affect the prevalence of infectious disease. As a mitigation entity, border security has been recorded by numerous scholarly works as being essential to the support of the health of the U.S. population. Consequently, the lack of current health care monitoring of the permeable U.S. border places the U.S. population at risk in the broad sectors of infectious disease and interpersonal violence. Visualizing border security in the context of public health mitigation has significant potential to protect migrant health as well as that of all populations on both sides of the border. Examples of how commonly this philosophy is held can be found in the expansive use of security-focused terms regarding public health. Using tools such as GIS to screen for disease in people before their entrance into a nation would be more efficient and ethical than treating patients once they have entered a population and increased the impact on the healthcare system. (Disaster Med Public Health Preparedness. 2018;12:554–562)

Policy Analysis

[Challenges of Designing and Implementing High Consequence Infectious Disease Response](#)

[Joan M. King](#), [Chetan Tiwari](#), [Armin R. Mikler](#), [Martin O'Neill](#)

<https://doi.org/10.1017/dmp.2017.128>

Published online: 19 March 2018, pp. 563-566

Abstract

Ebola is a high consequence infectious disease—a disease with the potential to cause outbreaks, epidemics, or pandemics with deadly possibilities, highly infectious, pathogenic, and virulent. Ebola's first reported cases in the United States in September 2014 led to the development of preparedness capabilities for the mitigation of possible rapid outbreaks, with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) providing guidelines to assist public health officials in infectious disease response planning. These guidelines include broad goals for state and local agencies and detailed information concerning the types of resources needed at health care facilities. However, the spatial configuration of populations and existing health care facilities is neglected. An incomplete understanding of the demand landscape may result in an inefficient and inequitable allocation of resources to populations. Hence, this paper examines challenges in implementing CDC's guidance for Ebola preparedness and mitigation in

the context of geospatial allocation of health resources and discusses possible strategies for addressing such challenges. (Disaster Med Public Health Preparedness. 2018;12:563–566)

To Do No Harm: Humanitarian Aid in Conflict Demands Political Engagement

Ronak B. Patel, Hannah B. Wild

<https://doi.org/10.1017/dmp.2017.133>

Published online: 19 January 2018, pp. 567-568

Abstract

Humanitarian aid in settings of conflict has always been fraught with challenges. In the absence of political engagement, however, manipulation by state authorities, however, have the potential to pervert aid intervention to inflict harm. South Sudan exemplifies how states may abuse the humanitarian response to retreat from public responsibility, divert funds to further violence and conflict and dictate the distribution of aid. Recent trends toward nationalist policies in the West that favor disengagement and limited military strikes have the very effect of allowing this abuse to transform humanitarian aid into a tool for harm. (Disaster Med Public Health Preparedness. 2018;12:567–568)

Concepts in Disaster Medicine

The Duty of Mind: Ethical Capacity in a Time of Crisis

Caitlin Ryus, Jay Baruch

<https://doi.org/10.1017/dmp.2017.120>

Published online: 02 November 2017, pp. 657-662

Abstract

In a disaster, physicians are forced to make challenging and heartbreaking ethical decisions under conditions of physical and emotional exhaustion. Evidence shows that the conditions of stress that mark disasters can undermine the process of ethical decision-making. This results in biased allocation of scarce resources, fewer utilitarian and altruistic decisions, and a wider variation in decisions. Stress also predisposes clinicians to decision strategy errors, such as premature closure, that lead to poor outcomes. The very ability to make sound and ethical decisions is thus a scarce resource. Ethical frameworks underpinning disaster protocols enumerate many physician obligations, but seldom articulate the risk posed by having decisions made ad hoc by decision-makers who are compromised by the stress of the concurrent crisis. We propose, therefore, that a “duty of mind”—the obligation to make critical decisions under the clearest possible state of thought—be added to ethical frameworks for disaster response. Adding the duty of mind to the pillars on which planning is based would force attention to a moral imperative to include decision support tools in disaster planning. By moving the consideration of possible choices to a moment when time and consultation facilitate clear and considered thought, the duty of mind is upheld. (Disaster Med Public Health Preparedness. 2018;12:657–662)

Disasters

Volume 42, Issue S2 Pages: S159-S327 October 2018

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

Disasters in Conflict Areas

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 19, Number 10 01 October 2018

<http://embor.embopress.org/content/19/10>
[Reviewed earlier]

Emergency Medicine Journal

<https://bmccemergmed.biomedcentral.com/articles>
[Accessed 10 Nov 2018]
[Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 24, Number 11—November 2018
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>

Research

[Outbreak of Tuberculosis and Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis, Mbuji-Mayi Central Prison, Democratic Republic of the Congo](#) PDF Version[PDF - 1.43 MB - 7 pages]

M. Kayomo et al.

[Effect of Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine Campaigns, Pakistan, 2014–2017](#) PDF Version[PDF - 437 KB - 3 pages]

N. C. Grassly et al.

Books and Media

[The Politics of Vaccination: A Global History](#) PDF Version[PDF - 209 KB - 1 page]

L. E. Power

Epidemics

Volume 25 Pages 1-112 (December 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/25/suppl/C>

Review Articles

[Modelling the global spread of diseases: A review of current practice and capability](#)

Caroline E. Walters, Margaux M.I. Meslé, Ian M. Hall

[Modeling epidemics: A primer and Numerus Model Builder implementation](#)

Wayne M. Getz, Richard Salter, Oliver Muellerklein, Hyun S. Yoon, Krti Tallam

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 146 - Issue 15 - November 2018

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue>

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Fall 2018 (Issue 32.3)

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2018/fall-2018-issue-32-3/>

ESSAY

The Empire of International Legalism

Ian Hurd | September 2018

Abstract:

The international rule of law is a political system of governance. It rests on the expectation that governments will abide by their legal obligations and so defines what counts as appropriate behavior for states. The relationship between law and politics in global governance is better understood as an empire of global legalism than as an anarchic world of sovereign states. Legal justification is the lingua franca of legitimation contests among governments, as states strive to show that their preferred policies are lawful and that those they oppose are unlawful. Seeing the world this way helps to show the political content of international law: neither a neutral framework that sustains all viewpoints nor an inherently progressive contribution to global order, international law is a political system of governance that advances some interests at the expense of others, and our attention should be directed toward assessing which interests are served by the turn to global legalism and at whose expense.

REVIEWS [All full text]

Conflict-Related Violence Against Women: Transforming Transition

Aisling Swaine (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2018)

Review by Eleanor Gordon

Conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV) against women, particularly rape committed by armed actors, has received significant attention from policymakers, practitioners, and scholars over the last decade. While this attention is welcome, as it has led to various efforts aimed at preventing and responding to such crimes, it has eclipsed the other harms women suffer in conflict-affected environments. This broader category of conflict-related violence against women (CRVAW) is the focus of Aisling Swaine's recent book, and her overarching aim is to empirically and theoretically expand our understanding of the form, function, and nature of CRVAW. Of course, feminist international relations scholars have given some attention to the harms beyond what Swaine refers to as "strategic rape." However, the breadth and depth of Swaine's analysis, combined with extensive experiential knowledge that she has gained as a practitioner delivering humanitarian aid in conflict-affected environments, sets this book apart and holds the promise to influence both scholarship and practice...

Evidence for Hope: Making Human Rights Work in the 21st Century

Kathryn Sikkink

Review by Shadi Mokhtari

For over twenty years Kathryn Sikkink has produced pioneering scholarship on the hidden effects and widely overlooked impact of international human rights norms. In *Evidence for Hope*, Sikkink sets out to critically engage with and challenge key assumptions and methods underlying both a string of critical academic assessments forecasting the human rights project's impending decline and a rising sense of human rights' futility among activists in an era punctuated by the Trump presidency and the Syrian tragedy...

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 28, Issue 5, 1 October 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/28/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75

Volume 80 Pages 1-112 (October 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/80/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

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October 2018, Issue 5, Pages 1143-1295

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[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 59 October 2018

<https://www.fmreview.org/GuidingPrinciples20/contents>***Twenty Years of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement***

In the 20 years since they were launched, the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement have been of assistance to many States responding to internal displacement, and have been incorporated into many national and regional policies and laws. However, the scale of internal displacement today remains vast, and the impact on those who are displaced is immense. This issue includes 19 articles on the main feature theme of Twenty Years of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement.

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 45, Issue 3, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current>***Alternative Paradigms of Development in State Politics and Policy Making in the Global South***

[Reviewed earlier]

Genocide Studies International

Volume 12 Issue 1, Spring 2018

<https://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Geoheritage

Volume 10, Issue 3, September 2018

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/10/3/page/1>***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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Volume 13, 2017 Issue 12

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Globalization and Health

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>

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Research

| 8 November 2018

[Research trends on human trafficking: a bibliometric analysis using Scopus database](#)

Authors: Waleed M. Sweileh

Conclusion

There was an under-representation of health-related literature on human trafficking. Literature on sex trafficking dominated the field of human trafficking. Research networks and research collaboration between the source and destination countries is important. Future research plans need to focus on health issues and on exploited/trafficked laborers.

Research

| 8 November 2018

[Global output of research on the health of international migrant workers from 2000 to 2017](#)

Authors: Waleed M. Sweileh

Conclusion

The volume of global research output on the health of migrant workers was low. There was inadequate research on non-communicable diseases and maternal health of migrant workers. International research collaboration and the number of research networks were limited. Role of several world regions, particularly Arab region with 11% of international migrant workforce was also limited. There is

an urgent need to prioritize research on migrant workers, especially female migrant workers in regions with low research contribution.

Research

| 6 November 2018

[Using equitable impact sensitive tool \(EQUIST\) to promote implementation of evidence informed policymaking to improve maternal and child health outcomes: a focus on six West African Countries](#)

Authors: Chigozie Jesse Uneke, Issiaka Sombie, Henry Chukwuemeka Uro-Chukwu and Ermel Johnson

Health Affairs

Vol. 37 , No. 10 October 2018

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Social Determinants, Drug & Device Prices & More

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Volume 13 - Special Issue 3-4 - July 2018

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Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 8, 1 October 2018

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Volume 40, Number 3, August 2018

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Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 73, October 2018

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/mental-health-and-psychosocial-support-in-humanitarian-crises/>

Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh: the humanitarian response

More than 700,000 Rohingya refugees have arrived in Bangladesh since 25 August 2017 fleeing violence and persecution in Rakhine State, Myanmar. Over a million are sheltering in overcrowded camps without adequate assistance or protection. Stateless in Myanmar and denied refugee status in Bangladesh, the Rohingya have few rights or freedoms. Monsoons and cyclones are causing landslides, destroying shelters and infrastructure and disrupting services.

This edition of Humanitarian Exchange focuses on the humanitarian response to the Rohingya crisis. In the lead article, [Mark Bowden](#) outlines the historical, local and national political context in Bangladesh, and its operational implications. [Amal de Chickera](#) highlights the links between statelessness and displacement, and the international community's failure to prioritise human rights in its dealings both with Bangladesh and with Myanmar. [Puttanee Kangkun](#) and [John Quinley](#) document the persistent persecution and denial of rights the Rohingya have faced for decades. [Jeff Crisp](#) reflects on the premature, involuntary and unsafe return of Rohingya refugees to Myanmar in the 1970s and 1990s, and asks whether this could happen again.

[Sally Shevach](#) and [colleagues](#) explore how the 'localisation' agenda has influenced the operational response, and [Kerrie Holloway](#) draws on research by the Humanitarian Policy Group to test the common assumption that local actors necessarily have a better understanding of people's needs. [Nasif Rashad Khan](#) and [colleagues](#) and [Ashish Banik](#) reflect on their experiences of engaging with the international humanitarian response system. [Margie Buchanan-Smith](#) and [Marian Casey-Maslen](#) discuss evaluation findings relating to communication and community engagement, a theme taken up by [Nick Van Praag](#) and [Kai Hopkins](#), who report on a Ground Truth survey on refugees' perceptions of assistance. [Julia Brothwell](#) discusses the British Red Cross/Bangladesh Red Crescent involvement in disaster preparedness and risk reduction during the monsoon season, and [Gina Bark](#), [Kate White](#) and [Amelie Janon](#) outline the consequences of long-term exclusion from basic healthcare services in increasing vulnerability to preventable diseases. [Matthew Wencel](#) and [colleagues](#) round off the issue with reflections on data collection coordination and other challenges associated with monitoring large concentrations of refugees.

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Vol 5, No 11 (2018) November 2018
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[Outbreak investigation of viral exanthem in Jharkhand, India: an eye opener for surveillance managers and vaccine policy makers](#)

Sahir Pall, Dewesh Kumar
DOI: [10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184564](https://doi.org/10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184564)

[A study to assess the parent's knowledge and attitudes on childhood immunization](#)

P. R. Thirumalai Kumar, M. Kavinprasad
DOI: [10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184582](https://doi.org/10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184582)

Review Articles

[Vaccines for adults: a review of recent literature](#)

Mahir Ahmed, Bayan Alorinan, Abdullah AlYemni, Mohammed Albakri, Mohammed Alahmari, Ayan Hassan, Abdulaziz Alrahili, Abdullah Alfawzan, Abdulrahman Alazzouni, Abdulaziz Alansari
DOI: [10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184601](https://doi.org/10.18203/2394-6040.ijcmph20184601)

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November 2018 Volume 76, p1-136

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Original Reports

[Rubella virus infections and immune status among pregnant women before the introduction of rubella vaccine in Amhara Regional State, Ethiopia](#)

Yitayih Wondimeneh, Moges Tiruneh, Getachew Ferede, Birhanu Abera, Meseret Workineh, Meseret Birhanie, Belay Tessema

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Volume 52 Issue 3, September 2018

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July 2018 Volume 16 | Issue 2

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Technoheritage 2017

Edited by Maria Mosquera, Patrizia Tomasin

Research article

[A multi-level and multi-sensor documentation approach of the Treblinka extermination and labor camps](#)

Dante Abate, Caroline Sturdy-Colls

Pages 129-135

Abstract

At Treblinka extermination camp, almost one million of people were killed during the Holocaust. A further 10,000 people are estimated to have been murdered at the nearby labor camp. Since 2007, the Centre of Archaeology of Staffordshire University (UK) has been involved in the study and research of the evidence of these atrocities in order to demonstrate how an archaeological approach to Treblinka has, and will continue to, enhance contemporary discussions about the camps and provide a richer, more accurate record of events. This study focuses on the use of digital 3D technologies and web

visualization tools for the analysis of the sites, providing a digital interactive platform, which can be used both by professional users and a public audience. It proposes a pyramidal multi-level and multi-sensor approach – providing a 3D resolution spanning from a few centimetres in the landscape Digital Terrain Model to few millimetres in the layer-by-layer archaeological test trench.

Research article

Cultural heritage digitization and related intellectual property issues

Vladia Borissova

Pages 145-150

Abstract

The role of cultural heritage for defining the national identity, sustainable development and compatibility of the creative industries is indisputable. In view of the new digital possibilities in preservation, safeguarding and popularization of the cultural heritage, the intellectual property-related issues raise serious challenges. These circumstances call for large-scale strategic planning on cultural policy including the protection of cultural heritage as intellectual property; its digitization as means for its commercial use and its recognition as creative industries' business asset. The study researched the economic symbiosis between cultural heritage and intellectual property, it reveals the economic characteristics of cultural values and the suitability of the intellectual property system to provide them protection, and it identifies the right's holder of the intellectual property over the digitized cultural values and creates a step by step guidance for intellectual property management via digitization process.

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

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Volume 30, Issue 8 Pages: 1253-1504 November 2018

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[Priests of God: An Enchanted Humanitarianism on the African Migration Route](#)

May Ngo

Pages: 1273-1287

First Published: 22 August 2017

Abstract

This article examines a prevailing 'enchanted humanitarianism' discourse within a faith-based organisation working with migrants in Morocco that encompassed tensions, contestations and ambiguity, revealing a fundamental 'identity ambiguity' in the organisation between evangelism and humanitarianism. This was the source of much tension in the organisation's operations and is indicative of entangling constructions of the sacred and the secular in faith-based organisations, going against an essentialised or monolithic conception of the role of 'religion' in humanitarianism. These entanglements are illustrated through an examination of two organisational issues—the identity of staff and the flexibility of criteria for its beneficiaries.

[Livelihood Diversification Strategies to Climate Change among Smallholder Farmers in Northern Ghana](#)

Richard Kofi Asravor

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Journal of Medical Ethics

November 2018 - Volume 44 - 11

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Volume 25, Issue suppl_1, 1 May 2018

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[Reviewed earlier]

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Nov 10, 2018 Volume 392 Number 10159 p1683-2138 e14-e18

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current>

Editorial

[GBD 2017: a fragile world](#)

The Lancet

Since The Lancet published the first Global Burden of Disease Study (GBD) over 10 years ago, every new iteration has brought improvements in data quality and quantity. With the sharpening of these estimates came a reassuring message: year on year, they portrayed an ever-healthier world. Careful reading of the results of GBD 2017 shatter this comforting trend of gradual improvement and instead show plateauing mortality rates on a background of faltering and uneven progress, era-defining epidemics, and dramatic health worker shortages. Instead of the progress updates we have become accustomed to, GBD 2017 comes as an urgent warning signal from a fragile and fragmented world...

Global Health Metrics

[Global, regional, and national age-sex-specific mortality and life expectancy, 1950–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 Mortality Collaborators

[Global, regional, and national age-sex-specific mortality for 282 causes of death in 195 countries and territories, 1980–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 Causes of Death Collaborators

[Global, regional, and national incidence, prevalence, and years lived with disability for 354 diseases and injuries for 195 countries and territories, 1990–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 Disease and Injury Incidence and Prevalence Collaborators

[Global, regional, and national disability-adjusted life-years \(DALYs\) for 359 diseases and injuries and healthy life expectancy \(HALE\) for 195 countries and territories, 1990–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 DALYs and HALE Collaborators

[Global, regional, and national comparative risk assessment of 84 behavioural, environmental and occupational, and metabolic risks or clusters of risks for 195 countries and territories, 1990–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 Risk Factor Collaborators

[Population and fertility by age and sex for 195 countries and territories, 1950–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017](#)

GBD 2017 Population and Fertility Collaborators

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Kyle J Foreman, Neal Marquez, Andrew Dolgert, Kai Fukutaki, Nancy Fullman, Madeline McGaughey, Martin A Pletcher, Amanda E Smith, Kendrick Tang, Chun-Wei Yuan, Jonathan C Brown, Joseph Friedman, Jiawei He, Kyle R Heuton, Mollie Holmberg, Disha J Patel, Patrick Reidy, Austin Carter, Kelly Cercy, Abigail Chapin, Dirk Douwes-Schultz, Tahvi Frank, Falko Goettsch, Patrick Y Liu, Vishnu Nandakumar, Marissa B Reitsma, Vince Reuter, Nafis Sadat, Reed J D Sorensen, Vinay Srinivasan, Rachel L Updike, Hunter York, Alan D Lopez, Rafael Lozano, Stephen S Lim, Ali H Mokdad, Stein Emil Vollset, Christopher J L Murray

Measuring progress from 1990 to 2017 and projecting attainment to 2030 of the health-related Sustainable Development Goals for 195 countries and territories: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017

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Volume 38 Issue 8, November 2018

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Volume 563 Issue 7730, 8 November 2018

http://www.nature.com/nature/current_issue.html

Editorial | 06 November 2018

[Life on Earth to have its DNA analysed in the name of conservation](#)

The Earth BioGenome Project is a welcome effort to sequence the genomes of some 1.35 million species.

An ambitious project launched last week aims to slow the decline in biodiversity by sampling and decoding the DNA of every species of plant and animal on Earth. Called the Earth BioGenome Project, the effort is seeking funding to help it get off the ground. It is asking for US\$4.7 billion to sequence all 1.35 million known eukaryotic species — those with a cell nucleus enclosed by a membrane — over the next 10 years....

Nature Medicine

Volume 24 Issue 11, November 2018

<https://www.nature.com/nm/volumes/24/issues/11>

Editorial | 06 November 2018

[Confronting conflict of interest](#)

Recent news stories about conflict of interest in biomedical research have shaken up public and private institutions alike, but their focus was on clinical research. Amidst the renewed focus on conflicts of interest in clinical work, let's not disregard the fact that financial conflicts also pose a concern to basic and preclinical research.

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[Machine learning in medicine: Addressing ethical challenges](#)

Effy Vayena, Alessandro Blasimme, I. Glenn Cohen

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[Excerpt]

...Conclusions

The clinical use of MLm may transform existing modes of healthcare delivery. MLm will be used in the clinical setting by healthcare professionals, be embedded in smart devices through the internet of things, and be used by patients themselves beyond the clinical setting for disease self-management of chronic conditions. The exponential growth of investment in MLm signals that research is accelerating, and more products may soon be targeting market entry. To merit the trust of patients and adoption by providers, MLm must fully align with data protection requirements, minimize the effects of bias, be effectively regulated, and achieve transparency. Addressing such ethical and regulatory issues as soon as possible is essential for avoiding unnecessary risks and pitfalls that will hinder further progress of MLm.

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[Limiting the high impacts of Amazon forest dieback with no-regrets science and policy action](#)

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Abstract

Large uncertainties still dominate the hypothesis of an abrupt large-scale shift of the Amazon forest caused by climate change [Amazonian forest dieback (AFD)] even though observational evidence shows the forest and regional climate changing. Here, we assess whether mitigation or adaptation action should be taken now, later, or not at all in light of such uncertainties. No action/late action would result in major social impacts that may influence migration to large Amazonian cities through a causal chain of climate change and forest degradation leading to lower river-water levels that affect transportation, food security, and health. Net-present value socioeconomic damage over a 30-year period after AFD is estimated between US dollar (USD) \$957 billion ($\times 10^9$) and \$3,589 billion (compared with Gross Brazilian Amazon Product of USD \$150 billion per year), arising primarily from changes in the provision of ecosystem services. Costs of acting now would be one to two orders of magnitude lower than economic damages. However, while AFD mitigation alternatives—e.g., curbing deforestation—are attainable (USD \$64 billion), their efficacy in achieving a forest resilience that prevents AFD is uncertain. Concurrently, a proposed set of 20 adaptation measures is also attainable (USD \$122 billion) and could bring benefits even if AFD never occurs. An interdisciplinary research agenda to fill lingering knowledge gaps and constrain the risk of AFD should focus on developing sound experimental and modeling evidence regarding its likelihood, integrated with socioeconomic assessments to anticipate its impacts and evaluate the feasibility and efficacy of mitigation/adaptation options.

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Commentary

[The revised international technical guidance on sexuality education - a powerful tool at an important crossroads for sexuality education](#)

In January 2018, UNESCO, together with UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, and the WHO, completed the substantial technical and political process of updating the International Technical Guidance on Sexuality Educ...

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Perspective

[Understanding Compound, Interconnected, Interacting, and Cascading Risks: A Holistic Framework](#)

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Abstract

In recent years, there has been a gradual increase in research literature on the challenges of interconnected, compound, interacting, and cascading risks. These concepts are becoming ever more central to the resilience debate. They aggregate elements of climate change adaptation, critical infrastructure protection, and societal resilience in the face of complex, high-impact events. However, despite the potential of these concepts to link together diverse disciplines, scholars and practitioners need to avoid treating them in a superficial or ambiguous manner. Overlapping uses and definitions could generate confusion and lead to the duplication of research effort. This article gives an overview of the state of the art regarding compound, interconnected, interacting, and cascading risks. It is intended to help build a coherent basis for the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR). The main objective is to propose a holistic framework that highlights the complementarities of the four kinds of complex risk in a manner that is designed to support the work of researchers and policymakers. This article suggests how compound, interconnected, interacting, and cascading risks could be used, with little or no redundancy, as inputs to new analyses and decisional tools designed to support the implementation of the SFDRR. The findings can be used to improve policy recommendations and support tools for emergency and crisis management, such as scenario building and impact trees, thus contributing to the achievement of a system-wide approach to resilience.

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In Depth

[Indonesian fatwa causes immunization rates to drop](#)

By Dyna Rochmyaningsih

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Clerics declare measles and rubella vaccine made with pork components impure.

Summary

A massive vaccination campaign against measles and rubella in Indonesia is in trouble after the Indonesian Ulama Council in Jakarta issued a fatwa declaring the vaccine "haram," or forbidden under Islamic law, because pig components are used in its manufacturing. The council ruled that parents could still have their children vaccinated, given the need to protect public health. But many local clerics and confused parents have decided otherwise: The fatwa has led to a drop in vaccination rates, from 95% during the first phase of the campaign, last year on the island of Java, to 68% in the second phase, now in progress on the remaining islands. Public health experts worry the world's largest Muslim-majority country could see new waves of measles and more miscarriages and birth defects resulting from rubella infections during pregnancy.

Policy Forum

[Whose science? A new era in regulatory "science wars"](#)

By Wendy Wagner, Elizabeth Fisher, Pasky Pascual
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Proposed reforms show a clear break with historical norms
Summary

Good laws need good science; however, good science is never guaranteed. Debate over the use of science in law is nearly as old as the laws themselves. With “science wars” waging in health and environmental regulation for at least three-quarters of a century, it is tempting to conclude that recent proposals for reforming regulatory science are similar to what has occurred in the past. They are not. They mark a sharp departure with the past because they legally constrain how agency scientists conduct the initial literature review and synthesis informing policy. Because the reforms generally take the form of legislation or regulation, they do not simply suggest best practices for conducting scientific analyses but establish legal lines that cannot be crossed. Moreover, even though they create legal ground rules for scientific deliberations, the reforms have not been developed by the scientific community, but by members of Congress and political officials. In providing a birds'-eye view of the legal developments in regulatory science over the past 50 years, we identify just how idiosyncratic these current reforms are and why the scientific community needs to be aware of their implications.

[Identity inference of genomic data using long-range familial searches](#)

By Yaniv Erlich, Tal Shor, Itsik Pe'er, Shai Carmi
Science09 Nov 2018 : 690-694 Restricted Access

Genetic privacy is difficult to maintain in light of forensic searches of genetic genealogical databases.
Detecting familial matches

Recent advances in DNA technology and companies that provide array-based testing have led to services that collect, share, and analyze volunteered genomic information. Privacy concerns have been raised, especially in light of the use of these services by law enforcement to identify suspects in criminal cases. Testing models of relatedness, Erlich et al. show that many individuals of European ancestry in the United States—even those that have not undergone genetic testing—can be identified on the basis of available genetic information. These results indicate a need for procedures to help maintain genetic privacy for individuals.

Science, this issue p. [690](#)

Abstract

Consumer genomics databases have reached the scale of millions of individuals. Recently, law enforcement authorities have exploited some of these databases to identify suspects via distant familial relatives. Using genomic data of 1.28 million individuals tested with consumer genomics, we investigated the power of this technique. We project that about 60% of the searches for individuals of European descent will result in a third-cousin or closer match, which theoretically allows their identification using demographic identifiers. Moreover, the technique could implicate nearly any U.S. individual of European descent in the near future. We demonstrate that the technique can also identify research participants of a public sequencing project. On the basis of these results, we propose a potential mitigation strategy and policy implications for human subject research.

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All too often nonprofit organizations think that communications is simply about getting your message out. But to do that effectively you need to understand what shapes people's feelings and values. And for that you need to understand social science, which is the subject of "The Science of What Makes People Care," the cover story in the Fall 2018 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review*.

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[2030 Agenda](#)

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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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[World Heritage and Wetlands](#)

Wetlands are an essential, but often overlooked, aspect of our natural environment. They are vital sources of biodiversity and take many different forms – from lakes, rivers and swamps, to deltas and tidal flats, mangroves and coral reefs. Wetlands are found nearly everywhere, are essential to the survival of countless species of plants and animals, and are therefore crucial for human survival too, as water is the essence of life.

For this issue of World Heritage, we have collaborated with our friends at the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, which recognizes and helps protect wetland sites of international importance. Over 100 World Heritage properties are also designated as Ramsar Sites, in whole or in part, and our two

Conventions work together closely. In an interview, Martha Rojas Urrego, Secretary General of the Ramsar Convention, describes how the two Conventions cooperate, discusses the role of wetlands in urban areas as they continue to grow, and addresses the challenge of preserving wetlands in cultural heritage places...

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