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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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Education: Quality, Policy, Financing

[Education 'an Engine for Poverty Eradication, Force for Peace', Says Secretary-General in Message Marking International Day](#)

23 January 2019

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Today we celebrate the first International Day of Education. Education transforms lives. As United Nations Messenger of Peace Malala Yousafzai once said: "one child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world". Nelson Mandela rightly called education "the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world".

Long before I served at the United Nations or held public office in my own country, I was a teacher. In the slums of Lisbon, I saw that education is an engine for poverty eradication and a force for peace. Today, education is at the heart of the Sustainable Development Goals. We need education to reduce inequalities and improve health. We need education to achieve gender equality and eliminate child marriage. We need education to protect our planet's resources. And we need education to fight hate speech, xenophobia and intolerance, and to nurture global citizenship.

Yet, at least 262 million children, adolescents and youth are out of school, most of them girls. Millions more who attend school are not mastering the basics.

This is a violation of their human right to education. The world cannot afford a generation of children and young people who lack the skills they need to compete in the twenty-first century economy, nor can we afford to leave behind half of humanity...

[World Bank, Gates Foundation, DFID Join Forces to Improve Education Quality Around the World](#)

LONDON, January 21, 2019 – The World Bank, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the UK's Department for International Development today announced a new partnership that will develop tools governments can use to better monitor the quality of their education systems, allowing policymakers to take real-time decisions to ensure that all children are learning. This collaboration will advance the goals of the Human Capital Project, a global effort to accelerate more and better investments in people for greater equity and economic growth.

The multi-year partnership, which was announced during the Education World Forum in London, will provide countries with an integrated system for tracking the how well education is delivered and how well countries are progressing toward their policy goals. The World Bank will take the lead on developing the new tools under a multidimensional Global Education Policy Dashboard, working together with education and governance experts from around the world. The Dashboard will soon be tested in 13 countries and it will be progressively expanded to more countries.

"All children should have the right to learn how to read and write so they have the voice and skills needed to advocate a better and prosperous future for themselves and their communities. UK aid is making sure millions of children around the world can access 12 years of quality education, to help them reach their potential and help lift their countries out of poverty," said Penny Mordaunt, the UK's International Development Secretary and Human Capital Champion. "Our innovative partnership with the World Bank and Gates Foundation will help governments analyze evidence to show why children aren't developing these essential skills and recognize what interventions they can put in place to improve their education systems and invest in their most important assets – their own people," she added...

For more information, please visit: <https://www.worldbank.org/en/topic/education/brief/global-education-policy-dashboard>

Education Finance: Using Money Effectively is Critical to Improving Education

Assisting countries to make better use of their investments in education is a key priority of our work on education finance.

Date: January 21, 2019 Type: *Brief: Education Finance (pdf)*

Developing countries are investing heavily in their education systems and providing their children and youth with unprecedented levels of access to education. But it's still not enough. Achieving national education goals will require additional financial commitments over the coming years. No less important is ensuring that these resources are used effectively by reducing spending inefficiencies common in many education systems. Funds may not be reaching schools, spending decisions may not be aligned with learning objectives, and government agencies may lack the capacity to use funds efficiently. Countries need to solve these problems if they are to provide the educational opportunities their populations demand in a financially feasible and sustainable way.

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Livelihood/Future of Work

Global Commission on the Future of Work

A human-centred agenda needed for a decent future of work

22 January 2019

A Universal Labour Guarantee, social protection from birth to old age and an entitlement to lifelong learning are among ten recommendations made in a landmark report by the ILO's Global Commission on the Future of Work.

GENEVA (ILO News) – The ILO [Global Commission on the Future of Work](#) has called on governments to commit to a set of measures in order to address the challenges caused by unprecedented transformational change in the world of work.

Co-chaired by South African President Cyril Ramaphosa and Swedish Prime Minister, Stefan Löfven, the commission outlines a vision for a human-centred agenda that is based on investing in people's capabilities, institutions of work and in decent and sustainable work.

Among the ten recommendations are:

- :: **A universal labour guarantee that protects fundamental workers' rights, an adequate living wage, limits on hours of work and safe and healthy workplaces.**
- :: **Guaranteed social protection from birth to old age that supports people's needs over the life cycle.**
- :: **A universal entitlement to lifelong learning that enables people to skill, reskill and upskill.**
- :: Managing technological change to boost decent work, including an international governance system for digital labour platforms.
- :: Greater investments in the care, green and rural economies.
- :: A transformative and measurable agenda for gender equality.
- :: Reshaping business incentives to encourage long-term investments.

"Countless opportunities lie ahead to improve the quality of working lives, expand choice, close the gender gap, reverse the damages wreaked by global inequality. Yet none of this will happen by itself. Without decisive action we will be sleepwalking into a world that widens existing inequalities and uncertainties," the report stresses...

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Environment: e-waste

[UN, World Economic Forum and partners come together to address e-waste challenges](#)

DAVOS, 24 January 2019 – Seven UN entities have come together, supported by the World Economic Forum, and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) to call for an overhaul of the current electronics system, with the aim of supporting international efforts to address e-waste challenges.

A new joint report launched today in Davos calls for a systematic collaboration with major brands, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), academia, trade unions, civil society and associations in a deliberative process to reorient the system and reduce the waste of resources each year with a value greater than the GDP of most countries.

Each year, approximately 50 million tonnes of electronic and electrical waste (e-waste) are discarded – the weight of more than all commercial airliners ever made. In terms of material value, this is worth 62.5 billion dollars – more than the GDP of most countries.

Less than 20% of this is recycled formally. Informally, millions of people worldwide (over 600,000 in China alone) work to dispose of e-waste, much of it done in working conditions harmful to both health and the environment.

The report, "[A New Circular Vision for Electronics – Time for a Global Reboot](#)", says technologies such as cloud computing and the internet of things (IoT), support gradual "dematerialization" of the electronics industry.

Meanwhile, to capture the global value of materials in the e-waste and create global circular value chains, the report also points to the use of new technology to create service business models, better product tracking and manufacturer or retailer take-back programs.

The report notes that material efficiency, recycling infrastructure and scaling up the volume and quality of recycled materials to meet the needs of electronics supply chains will all be essential for future production.

And if the electronics sector is supported with the right policy mix and managed in the right way, it could lead to the creation of millions of decent jobs worldwide.

The joint report calls for collaboration with multinationals, SMEs, entrepreneurs, academia, trade unions, civil society and associations to create a circular economy for electronics where waste is designed out, the environmental impact is reduced and decent work is created for millions.

The new report supports the work of the E-waste Coalition, which includes: the International Labour Organization (ILO); the International Telecommunication Union (ITU); the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment); the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR); the United Nations University (UNU); and the Secretariats of the Basel and Stockholm conventions...

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Digital Identity

[ID2020 Alliance accelerates towards "good" digital identity through launch of Certification Mark and new Alliance member](#)

DAVOS, Switzerland, Jan. 24, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- The ID2020 Alliance today announced the launch of its new Certification Mark initiative, which is an opportunity to recognize technologies that meet ID2020's technical requirements and could form the basis of a "good" digital identity. The Alliance also welcomed new member, [CARE USA](#), at the World Economic Forum's annual meeting in Davos today.

ID2020's [Certification Mark](#) reaffirms the Alliance's mission to improve lives through digital identity by creating a trustmark for digital identity technologies that meet ID2020's technical requirements. **The Certification Mark gives companies developing digital identity technologies in line with ID2020's core principles of portability, persistence, privacy, and user-control a way to demonstrate their commitment to "good" digital identity in the market, incentivizing a race to the top.** It draws inspirations from efforts like the Trustable Tech Mark to develop a "badge of honor" for companies and organizations designing technology with user privacy and rights top-of-mind.

And it builds upon ID2020's [technical requirements](#) and the efforts of the ID2020 Technical Advisory Committee, a group that comprises many of the world's leading experts on digital identity and its underlying technologies.

"The Certification Mark is a critical step in ensuring that digital identity technologies brought to market adhere to the highest standards of privacy protection, user-control and interoperability," said ID2020 board member Kim Cameron, who serves as Architect of Identity and Distinguished Engineer at Microsoft. "Microsoft is excited to work with ID2020 as it organizes stakeholders world-wide to take an active role in shaping ethical and user-in-control privacy-protecting technical design."

ID2020 board member and Gavi CEO Seth Berkley added, "At Gavi, we recognize how important it is that technology used in development settings protect individual privacy. Our partnership with ID2020 allows us to better understand the rapidly evolving digital identity landscape, and the launch of the Certification Mark provides valuable shorthand that Gavi, other development organizations, and governments can rely on to ensure that privacy and data protection are never compromised."...

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Data Privacy/Integrity :: "Data Science for Good"

[European Commission adopts adequacy decision on Japan, creating the world's largest area of safe data flows](#)

Press release European Commission Brussels, 23 January 2019

The Commission has adopted today its adequacy decision on Japan, allowing personal data to flow freely between the two economies on the basis of strong protection guarantees.

This is the last step in the procedure launched in September 2018, which included the opinion of the European Data Protection Board (EDPB) and the agreement from a committee composed of representatives of the EU Member States. Together with its equivalent decision adopted today by Japan, it will start applying as of today.

Věra Jourová, Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality said: **"This adequacy decision creates the world's largest area of safe data flows. Europeans' data will benefit from high privacy standards when their data is transferred to Japan. Our companies will also benefit from a privileged access to a 127 million consumers' market. Investing in privacy pays off; this arrangement will serve as an example for future partnerships in this key area and help setting global standards."**

The key elements of the adequacy decision

Before the Commission adopted its adequacy decision, Japan put in place additional safeguards to guarantee that data transferred from the EU enjoy protection guarantees in line with European standards. This includes:

:: A set of rules (Supplementary Rules) that will bridge several differences between the two data protection systems. These additional safeguards will strengthen, for example, the protection of sensitive data, the exercise of individual rights and the conditions under which EU data can be further transferred from Japan to another third country. These Supplementary Rules will be binding on

Japanese companies importing data from the EU and enforceable by the Japanese independent data protection authority (PPC) and courts.

:: The Japanese government also gave assurances to the Commission regarding safeguards concerning the access of Japanese public authorities for criminal law enforcement and national security purposes, ensuring that any such use of personal data would be limited to what is necessary and proportionate and subject to independent oversight and effective redress mechanisms.

:: A complaint-handling mechanism to investigate and resolve complaints from Europeans regarding access to their data by Japanese public authorities. This new mechanism will be administered and supervised by the Japanese independent data protection authority...

Next steps

The adequacy decision – as well as the equivalent decision on the Japanese side –will start applying as of today.

After two years, a first joint review will be carried out to assess the functioning of the framework. This will cover all aspects of the adequacy finding, including the application of the Supplementary Rules and the assurances for government access to data. The Representatives of European Data Protection Board will participate in the review regarding access to data for law enforcement and national security purposes. Subsequently a review will take place at least every four years...

Questions & Answers on the Japan adequacy decision

European Commission - Fact Sheet Brussels, 23 January 2019

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Mastercard and The Rockefeller Foundation Announce 'Data Science for Social Impact' with Initial \$50 Million Commitment

New collaborative to unlock the power of data for good

DAVOS, Switzerland, January 22, 2019 –The Mastercard Center for Inclusive Growth and The Rockefeller Foundation today announced Data Science for Social Impact. This transformational model for collaborative philanthropy will accelerate the use of data science by empowering non-profit, civic and government organizations with the tools, expertise and other capabilities they need to help solve the world's most pressing challenges.

The collaborative was announced at the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, with an initial commitment of \$50 million from The Rockefeller Foundation and the Mastercard Impact Fund over five years and an invitation to other companies and philanthropies to join...

The collaborative's first activity is \$20 million in funding to DataKind, a global nonprofit that harnesses the power of data science and AI in the service of humanity that has completed over 250 projects by deploying expert data science volunteers from their network of over 30,000 across five worldwide chapters since its founding in 2011. This support from the collaborative will allow DataKind to transition from a project to a platform-based model, thereby, supporting more organizations on a set of common issues, including community health and inclusive growth.

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Governance: Informal Structures

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Juan Manuel Santos and Zeid Raad Al Hussein join The Elders

Friday, 18 January, 2019

The Elders announced today with great pleasure that three new members have joined the group: Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, former President of Liberia and Nobel Peace Laureate 2011; Juan Manuel Santos, former President of Colombia and Nobel Peace Laureate 2016; and Zeid Raad Al Hussein, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights 2014-18.

The new Elders will join the group in its second decade of campaigning for peace, justice and human rights. The Elders was founded in 2007 by Nelson Mandela, who charged the group with a mandate to “support courage where there is fear, foster agreement where this is conflict and inspire hope where there is despair.”

Mary Robinson, Chair of The Elders, said:

“I am delighted to welcome three such esteemed new members to our group. Ellen, Juan Manuel and Zeid each bring valuable and distinctive perspectives on issues that are central to our work, from human rights and peacebuilding to gender equality and justice for all. I look forward to them playing critical roles in our current and future initiatives across the globe.”

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf said:

“It is an honour to follow in the footsteps of great Africans like Nelson Mandela, Archbishop Tutu and Kofi Annan. The Elders’ work to promote justice, equality and human rights is needed more than ever. I look forward to working with them to inspire people everywhere, particularly women and girls, to reach for their true potential, break through barriers and pursue their dreams.”

Juan Manuel Santos said:

“The Elders’ work to promote peace and support efforts to end the world’s most intractable conflicts is a crucial force for good. I hugely appreciated their encouragement and counsel as my administration negotiated the Colombia peace process in 2016. Today, I am honoured and delighted to join them and support their efforts to promote peace, justice and reconciliation worldwide.”

Zeid Raad Al Hussein said:

“In an age when poor leadership, injustice and suffering is rife, The Elders’ vision of a world where people live in peace and are conscious of their common humanity is essential. Inspired by the legacy of Nelson Mandela, their mission helps ensure human rights are respected, and oppression overcome. I am honoured to join this illustrious group and work with them for a better world.”

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Featured Journal Content

The Lancet

Jan 26, 2019 Volume 393 Number 10169 p295-376, e3-e4

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

Editorial

At the turn of the tide: human rights and health in 2019

The Lancet

A pattern of political turmoil, violence, and intolerance in all corners of the world, from Europe to Asia and the USA, is following a rise of populist leaders and authoritarian governments. Human rights are under autocratic threat. Once-influential rights defenders, such as the USA, have faded away, risking a void in the global defence of human rights. This gloomy reality is underscored in Human Rights Watch's [World Report 2019](#), released Jan 17, which summarises key human rights issues in nearly 100 countries and territories worldwide. This year's annual report sends a clear message: that human rights violations propagated by autocratic leaders throughout 2018 continue to imperil the health of the world's most vulnerable populations.

Inequality and discrimination fuelled much of the harm in 2018. Immigration became one of the most divisive issues among autocratic leaders in Europe. The failure to establish protective measures for people with migrant and refugee status restricted their access to health care. Some European governments, such as the Italian and Hungarian regimes, prevented migrants from entering their countries and fuelled rising anti-immigrant sentiment. In the USA, President Trump separated immigrant children from their parents. In southeast Asia, more than 1 million Rohingya Muslims remain locked in a cycle of poor child health, malnutrition, waterborne illness, and poor obstetric care after decades of discrimination—a situation that has worsened drastically because of a brutal crackdown by the Myanmar army.

Attacks in armed conflict zones against hospitals and threats to health-care staff continued to be problematic. In Yemen, in what UN officials describe as the world's largest humanitarian crisis, bombings and blockade by Saudi-led coalitions hampered the movement and safety of health-care staff, patients, and ambulances. Similar examples of attacks on health-care facilities were reported in the Gaza Strip and in areas of war-ravaged Syria.

Restricted supply of food and basic medical supplies in countries experiencing financial turmoil have threatened the health and safety of their populations. Under President Nicolás Maduro's leadership, Venezuela's infrastructure has crumbled and an economic collapse has triggered a historic exodus of civilians. The country's health-care system is decaying, triggering a rise in the rates of maternal and infant mortality and a spike in cases of malaria and diphtheria.

But there are reasons for hope. Unlike previous annual reports, World Report 2019 paints a brighter picture of the future. In his introductory essay, Executive Director Kenneth Roth explains that, amid political chaos and despite mounting pessimism around rights abuses and attacks on democracy by populists on both the far left and far right, 2018 was a remarkable year for human rights. This is not because of growing authoritarian tendencies, but because of resistance to them. "Important battles are being won, re-energising the global defence of human rights", states Roth. The pushback to autocracy was striking because it took unexpected forms—from elections, street demonstrations by civilians, both regionally and nationally, to non-traditional coalitions between smaller countries and organisations, the UN, and the European Parliament. 2018 saw unprecedented international efforts to resist attacks on democracy in Europe and Africa, to halt the Saudi-led bombing and blockading of Yemeni civilians, to prevent further bloodshed in Syria, and to take measures that will one day bring to justice the perpetrators of attacks against Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar. Latin American governments united with Canada to urge the International Criminal Court to open an investigation of crimes in Venezuela. Democrat gains in the House of Representatives in the autumn midterm elections reflect, at least in part, a national dismay of Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric.

This rise of resistance against the autocracy must not lose momentum in 2019. Every day, in so many parts of the world, the health of women and children is attacked and reproductive rights are violated. In countries facing the consequences of pollution and climate change, or fighting outbreaks of infectious disease, vulnerable, marginalised, and minority populations are being overlooked. An access abyss in palliative care persists, and mental health is still neglected. Much of the pushback in the past year played out at the UN and the European Parliament, underlining the importance of solidarity and the collective voice. This global unity is a force that needs to be harnessed to truly shift the power dynamics in 2019 and to make it a year of triumph for both human rights and health. It will be a tough journey.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 22 January 2019

:: In an extraordinary joint statement by the Chairs of the main independent, advisory and oversight committees of the GPEI, the Chairs urge everyone involved in polio eradication to ensure polio will finally be assigned to the history books by 2023.

The authors are the chairs of the Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on immunization (SAGE), the Independent Monitoring Board, the Emergency Committee of the International Health Regulations (IHR) Regarding International Spread of Poliovirus and the Global Commission for the Certification of the Eradication of Poliomyelitis (GCC).

The Endgame Plan through 2018 has brought the world to the brink of being polio-free. A new Strategic Plan 2019-2023 aims to build on the lessons learned since 2013. The joint statement urges everyone involved in the effort to find ways to excel in their roles. If this happens, the statement continues, success will follow. But otherwise, come 2023, the world will find itself exactly where it is today: tantalizingly close. But in an eradication effort, tantalizingly close is not good enough. The statement therefore issues an impassioned plea to everyone to dedicate themselves to one clear objective: to reach that very last child with polio vaccine. The full statement is attached herewith and also available [here](#).

Summary of new viruses this week:

:: **Pakistan** – two cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) and five WPV1 positive environmental samples;

:: **Afghanistan** - seven WPV1 positive environmental samples;

:: **Nigeria** – one case of circulating vaccine derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) and eight VDPV2 positive environmental samples.

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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 26 Jan 2019]

- *No new digest announcements identified*

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis

:: Bi-weekly Situation Report 1 - 17 January 2019

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

:: The number of varicella cases reported this week in 1 358. WHO and the health sector are working in collaboration with Education sector and Risk communication to contain the disease.

:: A total of 2.2 million doses were administered in 2018 through two Penta/Td, bOPV campaigns and two OCV campaigns

Varicella UPDATE

:: The number of varicella cases reported this week in 1 358. The number of varicella cases is higher than previous week but this might be due to improvement of varicella reporting in the camps.

:: Varicella has been added to Indicator-Based Surveillance (IBS) and Event-Based surveillance (EBS) in EWARS.

:: Ministry of Health (MoH) & IEDCR has requested to health partners to report all varicella cases on a daily basis.

DIPHTHERIA UPDATE

:: Ten new diphtheria case-patients (one probable and nine suspected) were reported this week. Total case patients reported in EWARS is now 8 372.

:: Of these, 293 case patients have tested positive on PCR, with the last confirmed case reported on 31 December 2018. Of the remaining cases 2 710 were classified as probable and 5 369 as suspected. The total number of deaths remains 44. Last death was reported on 28 June 2018.

:: No death has been reported from the host community.

HEALTH OPERATIONS

Routine Immunization

:: From the beginning of February 2018 to date, the following antigen doses were delivered to children: 40,965 BCG doses; 56,512 pentavalent doses; 58,234 Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) doses; 55,086 PCV doses; 29,039 Measles/Rubella (MR) doses and 19,906 Td doses to pregnant women.

:: Before February, several campaigns were held in Rohingya camps among specific age groups, which covered the target cohort of routine immunization to an extent.

Campaigns in Rohingya Camps

:: A total of 2.2 million doses were administered in 2018 through two Penta/Td, bOPV campaigns and two OCV campaigns...

Somalia

:: Somalia developing comprehensive plan to improve health of mothers, children and adolescents

Mogadishu, 24 January 2019 - With support from the World Health Organization (WHO) and other United Nations partners, Somalia is currently developing a strategy that will change the rhetoric in the country and ensure Somali mothers and children can access quality health services equitably all across urban, rural areas in the country...

Yemen

:: Providing urgent health care to millions: WHO and the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation work together to reach the most vulnerable

24 January 2019, Sana'a, Yemen — With a generous donation of 2 million euros from the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, the World Health Organization (WHO) is scaling up efforts to meet health needs in Yemen through the health service delivery mechanism known as the Minimum

Service Package. This is the first time since the start of the crisis in Yemen that WHO has partnered with the Agency...

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

Myanmar - *No new digest announcements identified_ [see above]*

Nigeria - *No new digest announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 26 Jan 2019]

occupied Palestinian territory

:: WHO concerned over health impact of evolving fuel crisis in Gaza

21 January 2019, Gaza - The World Health Organization is concerned over the potential impact the evolving fuel crisis in Gaza might have on the lives and health of patients whose treatment requires uninterrupted power supply if no immediate solution to address the aggravating shortages is found. The functionality of Gaza's 14 public hospitals is increasingly jeopardized by electricity shortages and the rapidly declining UN coordinated fuel reserves required to run emergency generators during prolonged electricity cuts from the main grid...

Brazil (in Portugese) - *No new digest announcements identified*

Cameroon - *No new digest announcements identified*

Central African Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*

Ethiopia - *No new digest announcements identified*

Hurricane Irma and Maria in the Caribbean - *No new digest announcements identified*

Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified*

Libya - *No new digest announcements identified*

MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*

Niger - *No new digest announcements identified*

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

Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Ukraine - *No new digest announcements identified*

Zimbabwe - *No new digest announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 1 Emergencies [to 26 Jan 2019]

Afghanistan

Chad

Indonesia - Sulawesi earthquake 2018

Kenya

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Mali

Namibia - viral hepatitis

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 - No new digest announcements identified

Syrian Arab Republic - No new digest announcements identified

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UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies

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

Ethiopia

:: Ethiopia Humanitarian Bulletin Issue 72 | 7 - 20 January 2019

HIGHLIGHTS

:: Scaled-up response urgently required to more than 250,000 IDPs in Western Ethiopia

:: Durable Solutions as nexus opportunity in Somali region: Lessons from SDC

:: New law grants nearly a million refugees to exercise more rights in Ethiopia

:: Nearly 36 million children in Ethiopia are poor and lack access to basic social services: report

Somalia - No new digest announcements identified

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"Other Emergencies"

Indonesia: Central Sulawesi Earthquake - No new digest announcements identified

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Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

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<https://www.un.org/press/en>

26 January 2019

SC/13680

[With Venezuela Buckling under Severe Shortages, Security Council Emergency Session Calls for Political Solution to End Crisis, as Divisions Emerge over Path Forward](#)

Following widespread protests and political upheaval in Venezuela — a country plagued by food shortages, deteriorating basic services and an inflation rate of more than 1 million per cent — all actors must exercise maximum restraint and avoid any further escalation, said a senior United Nations official during an emergency meeting of the Security Council today.

25 January 2019

SC/13677

[Massive Displacement, Greater Competition for Scarce Resources Cited as Major Risks in Security Council Debate on Climate-Related Threats](#)

Climate change poses risks to international peace and security through massive displacement of people and increased competition for scarce natural resources, speakers told the Security Council today while expressing divergent views on what the 15-member organ can do about it.

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[Education 'an Engine for Poverty Eradication, Force for Peace', Says Secretary-General in Message Marking International Day](#)

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 26 Jan 2019]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[Venezuela: Bachelet condemns killings, urges restraint and calls for dialogue to halt spiralling crisis](#)

[Statement by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet on the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust:](#)

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[Myanmar: UN expert decries failure to implement democratic reforms](#)

[Independent human rights expert to visit Turkey to launch international inquiry into Khashoggi case](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 26 Jan 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR_COUNCIL
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[Cambodia's human rights record to be reviewed by Universal Periodic Review](#)

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[The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia's human rights record to be reviewed by Universal Periodic Review](#)

21/01/2019

[Vanuatu's human rights record to be reviewed by Universal Periodic Review](#)

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Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest News

[Committee on the Rights of the Child reviews the Czech Republic's report on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography](#)

22 January 2019

[Committee on the Rights of the Child considers the report of Bahrain](#)

21 January 2019

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

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 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases

27 January 2019

[At least eight civilians are killed and 30 wounded in an IDP centre in Haradh \[EN/AR\]](#)

25 January 2019

[Fire in the Red Sea Mills in Hodeidah is a blow to millions ...](#)

25 January 2019

[Conflict in western Cameroon drives up humanitarian needs, i ...](#)

23 January 2019

[Donors reiterate support to the Central African Republic \(22 ...](#)

21 January 2019

[Somalia: \\$1.08 billion required to support 3.4 million Somal ...](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

Statement

[UNICEF Statement on the situation in Venezuela](#)

25/01/2019

Press release

[More than 145,000 Rohingya refugee children return to school in Bangladesh refugee camps as new school year starts](#)

24/01/2019

Statement

[UNICEF statement on the impact of the ongoing turmoil and economic crisis on children in Sudan](#)

Statement attributable to Geert Cappelaere, UNICEF Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa

23/01/2019

Press release

[Vital protection for refugee and migrant children making perilous sea journeys to Europe urgently needed – UNICEF](#)

In first two weeks of 2019, more than 400 uprooted children reached European shores amid freezing temperatures and rough waters

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Briefing notes

[Thousands of Nigerian refugees seek safety in Chad](#) 22 Jan 2019

[UNHCR appeals for urgent action as new Mediterranean mid-winter deaths reported](#) 22 Jan 2019

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Announcements

[Following Upsurge in Violence, IOM Scales Up Efforts to Assist Newly Displaced in Nigeria](#)

2019-01-25 17:46

Maiduguri – A recent upsurge in violence in Borno State, north-east Nigeria has caused the mass displacement of 55,417 individuals between 1 December 2018 and 24 January 2019, according to new data prepared by the International Organization for Migration, which is responding...

[United Nations Launches Thailand Migration Report 2019](#)

2019-01-25 17:10

Bangkok – Thailand has built its migration management capacity and is well positioned to maximize the benefits of migration if more is done to ensure the welfare and protection of migrants, according to a new report released by the United Nations in Thailand.

[IOM Starts Distribution of 10,000 Household Kits to Bangladeshi Families in Cox's Bazar](#)

2019-01-22 16:45

Cox's Bazar – IOM has begun a distribution of essential household items to 10,000 vulnerable local families in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, where almost a million Rohingya refugees are now living after fleeing violence in Myanmar.

Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 4,883; Deaths Reach 203

2019-01-22 16:35

Geneva – IOM reports that 4,883 migrants and refugees have entered Europe by sea through the first 20 days of 2019.

UNAIDS [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

No new digest content identified.

WHO & Regional Offices [to 26 Jan 2019]

26 January 2019 *News Release*

WHO appoints directors for Western Pacific and Southeast Asia regions

The WHO Executive Board, currently holding its 144th session in Geneva, has appointed Dr Takeshi Kasai as Regional Director for WHO's Western Pacific Region, and re-appointed Dr Poonam Khetrpal Singh for a second term as Regional Director for WHO's Southeast Asia Region...

23 January 2019 | *News release*

WHO airlifts medical supplies to meet increasing health needs in north-east Syria

22 January 2019 | *News release*

Working together for safer and healthier workplaces

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144th Session of the WHO Executive Board

24 January – 1 February 2019 Coordinated Universal Time
Geneva, Switzerland

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: Uganda Launches Health Sector Integrated Refugee Response Plan 2019-2024 26 January 2019

:: Ebola - Following a Full Simulation Exercise, a Joint Monitoring Mission is deployed in Rwanda

24 January 2019

:: Experts caution against stagnation of immunization coverage in Africa 23 January 2019

[See Milestones above for detail]

:: Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States Declare End of Cholera Outbreaks 22 January 2019

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: Stigma and discrimination prevent early diagnosis and treatment of Leprosy in the Americas (01/25/2019)

:: More than half of people with epilepsy in Latin America and the Caribbean do not receive treatment (01/24/2019)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: Dr Poonam Khetrpal Singh appointed Regional Director WHO South-East Asia for second term 26 January 2019

WHO European Region EURO

:: The year ahead: key events for the WHO European Region in 2019 23-01-2019

:: Migrants and refugees at higher risk of developing ill health than host populations, reveals first-ever WHO report on the health of displaced people in Europe 21-01-2019

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Providing urgent health care to millions in Yemen 24 January 2019

:: Somalia's comprehensive plan to improve maternal, child and adolescent health 24 January 2019

:: Drivers play significant role in polio eradication efforts 24 January 2019

:: Medical supplies delivered to Al-Hasakeh in Syria 23 January 2019

WHO Western Pacific Region ::

:: Dr Takeshi Kasai appointed WHO Regional Director for the Western Pacific 26 January 2019

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

[UN Development Chief to Security Council: Climate change 'aggravates fragile situations, feeds insecurity and conflict'](#)

Posted on January 25, 2019

[Remarks to the Security Council](#)

Open debate on the maintenance of international peace and security: addressing the impacts of climate related disasters on international peace and security

Posted on January 25, 2019

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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

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

Latest News

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

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

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24 Jan 2019

[2018: Extreme weather events affected 60m people](#)

Earthquakes and tsunamis accounted for the majority of the 10,373 lives lost in disasters last year while extreme weather events accounted for most of 61.7 million people affected by natural hazards, according to analysis of 281 events recorded by the Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED) in its EM-DAT (International Disaster Database).

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

21 January 2019, New York

[Signs suggest global economic growth spurt has peaked but will remain steady at 3 percent in 2019–2020](#)

The global economy will continue to grow at a steady pace of around 3 percent in 2019 and 2020 amid signs that global growth has peaked. However, a worrisome combination of development challenges could further undermine growth, according to the United Nations World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2019, which was launched today.

UN Secretary-General António Guterres cautioned "While global economic indicators remain largely favourable, they do not tell the whole story." He said the World Economic Situation and Prospects 2019

"raises concerns over the sustainability of global economic growth in the face of rising financial, social and environmental challenges."...

UNESCO [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

25 January 2019

Celebration of 24 January International Day of Education at United Nations in Geneva

Geneva, 24 January 2019. On the occasion of the first-ever International Day of Education, the UNESCO Geneva Liaison Office, together with co-sponsoring Member States and partner International Organizations, organized a Panel Discussion on the theme of "Education for Peace and Development" to mark the inception of this day at the Palais des Nations.

25 January 2019

Launch of International Year of Indigenous Languages 2019

The International Year of Indigenous Languages, dedicated to the historically marginalized languages of peoples from the Polar Circle to the Arabian Peninsula, from Australia to East Asia and Central America, will be launched at UNESCO on 28 January and celebrated throughout 2019.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Posted January 25, 2019

UN-Habitat supports creation of a safe space for refugee women and youth in Lebanon

Lebanon, 23 January 2019 – Findings of the Tabbaneh Neighbourhood Profile indicate that Tripoli was one of the regions in Lebanon most affected by the Middle East refugee crisis. The findings also reveal the dire need for...

UN-Habitat and the Municipality of Rio de Janeiro partner to ensure the poorest of the poor are not left behind

Rio de Janeiro, January 18, 2019 – The City of Rio de Janeiro and UN-Habitat have joined hands to improve living conditions for the poorest of the poor in the largest favelas (slums) of Rio. Implemented in...

Digital tools utilized to promote human rights and create inclusive public spaces in the Gaza Strip

Gaza, 17 January 2019 – UN-Habitat and UN Women have concluded a two-year programme to advance the human rights of women and youth in the Gaza Strip and improve their capacity to participate effectively in post-conflict reconstruction...

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Green economy

[50 million tonnes of potentially job creating e-waste discarded annually](#)

25 January 2019

Seven UN entities, including the ILO, supported by the World Economic Forum and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) call for a reboot of the current electronics system.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Blog

[A New Circular Vision for Electronics](#)

24 January 2019

Humankind's insatiable demand and consumption of electronic devices is creating the world's fastest growing waste stream. Some forms are growing exponentially. The United Nations are calling it a tsunami of e-waste.

Textile industry

[ILO and H&M Group expand partnership](#)

24 January 2019

The ILO and H&M Group have broadened their cooperation to further improve working conditions and productivity in textile and garment industry supply chains. This partnership will help drive both the Decent Work and Sustainable Development Goal Agendas in a key global sector.

Global Commission on the Future of Work

[A human-centred agenda needed for a decent future of work](#)

22 January 2019

A Universal Labour Guarantee, social protection from birth to old age and an entitlement to lifelong learning are among ten recommendations made in a landmark report by the ILO's Global Commission on the Future of Work.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

ILO100

[Future of work report, ILO Centenary celebrations to be launched on January 22](#)

21 January 2019

January 22 will be a big day for the ILO, as daylong celebrations marking the start of its 100th anniversary begin with the launch of the Global Commission report on the Future of Work.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx>
No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

25 January 2019

WMO addresses UN Security Council for first time

For the first time in its history, the World Meteorological Organization has addressed the UN Security Council on the risks to international peace and security posed by climate change and weather-related disasters.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

23.01.2019

Latest UPU figures signal potential for growth

- A promising increase in international postal volumes suggests that the postal market may finally be reaping the rewards of digital transformation, explains UPU economist Mauro Boffa.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24 January 2019

Italy to contribute EUR 5.8 million to three new UNIDO projects in Africa and the MENA region

VIENNA, 24 January 2019 - Italy's continued support for inclusive and sustainable industrial development was emphatically reiterated today, as Director General Giorgio Marrapodi of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation signed two new funding agreements of EUR 4.5 million for projects in Mozambique and Tunisia with the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), LI Yong, in the presence of representatives of the recipient countries...

UN, World Economic Forum and partners come together to address e-waste challenges

DAVOS, 24 January 2019 – Seven UN entities have come together, supported by the World Economic Forum, and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) to call for an overhaul of the current electronics system, with the aim of supporting international efforts to address e-waste challenges.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

By Clare Naden on 22 January 2019

Smart manufacturing: new ISO guidance to reduce the risks of cyber-attacks on machinery

In our hyper-connected world, IT security covers not just our data but virtually everything that moves – including machinery. Cyber-attacks or IT malfunctions in manufacturing can pose risks to the safety measures in place, thus having an impact on production and people.

By Clare Naden on 21 January 2019

Better building with new International Standards for BIM

The global construction industry is booming, bringing with it global construction projects and the need for efficient tools such as Building Information Modelling (BIM) for managing information. A new set of International Standards has just been published to enable BIM to flourish across projects and...

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

25 January 2019

First ever UNWTO/IPSOS Survey – Citizens recognize the positive impact of tourism

Madrid, Spain, 24 January 2019 – According to the first ever global survey conducted by the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and IPSOS, 47% of respondents think 'they live in cities with a high number of tourists'. Over 50% considers tourism has a positive impact in generating wealth and promoting cultural exchanges, and 49% feel there should be measures to improve tourism management. Only 12% of respondents favour limitations to the number of visitors.

21 January 2019

International Tourist Arrivals Reach 1.4 billion Two Years Ahead of Forecasts

2018 totalled 1.4 billion international tourist arrivals (+6%), consolidating 2017 strong results and proving to be the second strongest year since 2010 Middle East (+10%) and Africa (+7%) grew above the world average while Asia and the Pacific and Europe grew at 6% For 2019, UNWTO forecasts a 3-4% increase, in line with the historical growth trend Madrid, Spain, 21 January 2019 - International tourist arrivals grew 6% in 2018, totalling 1.4 billion according to the latest UNWTO World Tourism Barometer. UNWTO's long term forecast issued in 2010 indicated the 1.4 billion mark would be reached in 2020, yet the remarkable growth of international arrivals in recent years has brought it two years ahead.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

January 24, 2019

United States is Ready to Provide Urgent Humanitarian Aid to the People of Venezuela

Media Note

Today, Secretary of State Pompeo announced that the United States is ready to provide more than \$20 million in initial humanitarian assistance to the people of Venezuela as they struggle to cope with

severe food and medicine shortages and the other dire impacts of their country's political and economic crisis caused by the illegitimate Maduro regime.

DFID [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases

[Foreign Secretary announces new UK funding to support UN peace process in Yemen](#)

22 January 2019 DFID and FCO Press release

[UK aid protects thousands from extreme weather as 'mega storms' tracked across Africa](#)

22 January 2019 DFID and NERC Press release

ECHO [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24/01/2019

[The EU marks first-ever International Day of Education](#)

On 6 December 2018, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 24 January as International Day of Education, in celebration of the role of education for peace and development.

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African Union [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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January 25, 2019

[African Union Commission \(AUC\) signs MoU with Africa Early Childhood Network \(AfECN\)](#)

January 22, 2019

[Commemorative Statue of Emperor Haile Selassie set to be unveiled at the AU Headquarters](#)

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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Website not responding at inquiry

European Commission [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24 January 2019 **[Asylum: Commission takes next step in infringement procedure against Hungary for criminalising activities in support of asylum applicants](#)**

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 24 January 2019 The European Commission has today decided to send a reasoned opinion to Hungary concerning legislation that criminalises activities that support asylum and residence applications and further restricts the right to request asylum.

European Commission adopts adequacy decision on Japan, creating the world's largest area of safe data flows

Press release European Commission Brussels, 23 January 2019

[See Week in Review above for details]

Questions & Answers on the Japan adequacy decision

European Commission - Fact Sheet Brussels, 23 January 2019 Questions & Answers on the Japan adequacy decision What is an adequacy decision? An adequacy decision is a decision taken by the European Commission establishing that a third country provides a comparable level of protection of personal data to that in...

OECD [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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Organization of American States (OAS) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

January 25, 2019

OAS General Secretariat Welcomes Approval of Constitutional Reform in Honduras

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) welcomes the approval in the National Congress of Honduras of the constitutional reform that begins the path of electoral reforms in the country. This is an important first step for the holding of free, fair and transparent elections. The OAS highlights that this reform is the result of the commitment of the political parties in the National Congress to improve elections...

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

26/01/2019

OIC Workshop Discusses Strategy to Face Challenges of Ageing in the Member States

A two-day workshop held in Niamey, the capital of the Republic of Niger, on 24-25 January 2019 discussed a strategy document by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on the improvement of the well-being of the elderly. The workshop was inaugurated by the speech of the Minister of Population of the Republic of Niger Dr. Amadou Aissata Issa Maiga and the address of the OIC Secretary General Dr. Yousef Al-Othaimeen, in the presence of the First Lady of the Niger, Mrs. Lalla Malika Issoufou, the officials of the OIC General Secretariat as well as representatives of the Member States participating in the workshop....

OIC Adopts Urgent Humanitarian Assistance to Afghanistan

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), represented by the Islamic Solidarity Fund (ISF), has adopted urgent humanitarian assistance to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to mitigate the effects of the severe drought, which resulted in a large number of displaced people....

24/01/2019

OIC Convenes Coordination Meeting for Ministerial Committee on Accountability for Human Rights Violations against the Rohingya

A coordination meeting for the Members of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on Accountability for Human Rights Violations against the Rohingya, was convened in the General Secretariat on the sidelines of the Senior Officials Meeting Preparatory to the 46th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers. The meeting, Chaired by The Gambia, discussed the preparations and agenda of the inaugural session of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee due to be held in Banjul, The Gambia on 10 February 2019....

22/01/2019

Group of 77 [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by H.E. Minister Riyad Mansour, Chair of the Group of 77 (State of Palestine), at the first regular session of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS - (UNDP segment) (New York, 21 January 2019)

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UNCTAD [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Latest News

25 January 2019

Message from the World Customs Organization - International Customs Day 2019

...The slogan chosen for 2019 is "SMART borders for seamless Trade, Travel and Transport." At a time when the number of passengers and the volume of freight crossing borders is expected to increase exponentially, and technology has transformed the economic landscape in which Customs is evolving, WCO Members are encouraged to look at how they can best ensure the swift and smooth cross-border movement of goods, people and means of transport....

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

25 January 2019

DG Azevêdo meets ministers in Davos: discussions focus on reform; progress on e-commerce

Participating in a series of ministerial discussions during the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting in Davos this week, Director-General Roberto Azevêdo reviewed the challenges and opportunities facing global trade today, and stressed that the trading system must evolve if it is to remain relevant.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 26 Jan 2019]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

Press Release 22 January 2019

[Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona transferred to ICC for alleged crimes against humanity and war crimes](#)

Today, 23 January 2019, Mr Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona was transferred to the International Criminal Court ("ICC" or "Court") in The Hague, The Netherlands, by the authorities of the French Republic pursuant to an ICC arrest warrant for crimes against humanity and war crimes allegedly committed in the Central African Republic ("CAR"). This transfer followed the completion of necessary national proceedings in France, where he was arrested on 12 December 2018....

Background:

On 7 December 2018, ICC Pre-Trial Chamber II issued an arrest warrant for Mr Ngaïssona for war crimes and crimes against humanity allegedly committed in various locations in the CAR between at least 5 December 2013 and at least December 2014:

:: crimes against humanity: murder and attempted murder, extermination, deportation or forcible transfer of population, imprisonment or other severe deprivation of physical liberty, torture, persecution, enforced disappearance and other inhumane acts; and

:: war crimes: murder and attempted murder, torture, cruel treatment, mutilation, intentionally directing an attack against the civilian population, intentionally directing an attack against personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles involved in a humanitarian assistance, intentionally directing an attack against buildings dedicated to religion, pillaging, enlistment of children under the age of 15 years and their use to participate actively in hostilities, displacement of the civilian population and destroying or seizing the property of an adversary.

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World Bank [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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[World Bank to Issue One Billion Pound Sterling Benchmark Bond](#)

Washington, DC, January 24, 2019 –The World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, IBRD, Aaa/AAA) today priced its first benchmark bond denominated in pound sterling for 2019, raising...

Date: January 24, 2019 Type: Press Release Language: English

[Gendered Languages May Play a Role in Limiting Women's Opportunities, New Research Finds](#)

In many developing countries, women face significant barriers to their equal participation in society. While some of these barriers are easy to see, a new line of research is uncovering a surprising and...

Date: January 24, 2019 Type: Feature Story Language: English

[With Innovative Business Models, We Can Make Internet for All a Reality](#)

WASHINGTON, January 24, 2019—The World Bank launched today a new report that shows how new technologies and business models can help developing countries expand high-speed internet access. Drawing on international...

Date: January 24, 2019 Type: Press Release L

[IPIECA supports flaring initiative](#)

IPIECA is the global oil and gas industry association for environment and social issues. Its membership comprises the world's leading oil and gas companies, service companies, and regional and national...

Date: January 22, 2019 Type: Feature Story

[Education Finance: Using Money Effectively is Critical to Improving Education](#)

Assisting countries to make better use of their investments in education is a key priority of our work on education finance. WHY IT MATTERS Developing countries are investing heavily in their education...

Date: January 21, 2019 Type: Brief

[See Week in Review above for detail]

[World Bank, Gates Foundation, DFID Join Forces to Improve Education Quality Around the World](#)

LONDON, January 21, 2019 – The World Bank, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the UK's Department for International Development today announced a new partnership that will develop tools governments...

Date: January 21, 2019 Type: Press Release

[See Week in Review above for detail]

IMF [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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January 21, 2019

[Opening Remarks by Christine Lagarde at World Economic Outlook Press Conference](#)

January 20, 2019

[A Weakening Global Expansion Amid Growing Risks – IMF Blog](#)

An escalation of trade tensions and a worsening of financial conditions are key ...

African Development Bank Group [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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25/01/2019

Major bridge linking Gambia to Senegal ushers in new era of connectivity

- Cars, trucks and pedestrians plied the new bridge linking the Gambia and Senegal Thursday, ushering in a new era of connectivity and integration for the two West African nations.

SENEGAL: New African Delivery Units Network launched

23/01/2019 - The African Delivery Units Network, a unique platform for government delivery units across the continent, has been launched in the Senegalese capital Dakar.

African Development Bank Group approves \$25 million Equity Investment in Fund for Renewable Energy Projects in Africa

22/01/2019 - The Board of Directors of the African Development Bank Group has approved an equity investment of up to US\$ 25 million in ARCH Africa Renewable Power Fund (ARPF), a US\$ 250 million private equity fund for renewable energy projects across Sub-Saharan Africa.

Asian Development Bank [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

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25 Jan 2019

ADB Grant to Help Develop Railways in CAREC Countries

ADB has approved a \$2 million regional technical assistance grant to support the development of railways in Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) countries.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

22 Jan 2019

14-15 February 2019: Exploring the link between rural innovation and entrepreneurship at IFAD's Annual Meeting-Rome

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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 26 Jan 2019]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Financial inclusion

[Achieving the good things: BRAC microfinance in 2018](#)

January 24, 2019

by [Kamran Ibne Abdul Qader](#)

From introducing new services and pilot products to improvements in process and delivery, we continued on our journey towards achieving our goal of financial inclusion.

CARE International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Press Releases

[CARE International: Sexual Harassment, Exploitation and Abuse Transparency Report](#)

21st Jan 2019

CARE International works around the globe to save lives, defeat poverty and achieve social justice. Because of our mission and our focus on women and girls, we are deeply committed to building a world where violence, harassment and abuse against anyone is not tolerated.

Clubhouse International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[National Committees and Similar Entities on International Humanitarian Law: Guidelines for Success](#)

International humanitarian law (IHL) affords protection to people and property in armed conflict, but only if its rules are properly recognized, clearly understood and fully complied with. The first and vital step in ensuring the effectiveness of the

24-01-2019 | Publication

[Afghanistan: Record number of disabled Afghans seek assistance in ICRC's 30th year](#)

A record number of disabled Afghans – more than 12,000 people – sought assistance for the first time in 2018 at physical rehabilitation centres run by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) across Afghanistan.

23-01-2019 | News release

Yemen: Preparations under way for the release and transfer of detainees

A statement from Fabrizio Carboni, the regional director for the Near and Middle East for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), on the agreement to release and transfer conflict-related detainees in Yemen.

23-01-2019 | Statement

Mali-Niger: Climate change and conflict make an explosive mix in the Sahel

Geneva (ICRC) – The effects of climate change are exacerbating conflict between communities in both Mali and Niger, leading to a deepening of poverty, a weakening of public services and a disruption to traditional means of survival. The violence and c

22-01-2019 | News release

IFRC [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Press Releases

Asia Pacific, Mongolia

Mongolia: Warning of a “kids’ crisis” as influenza outbreak grips

An outbreak of Influenza A (H1N1) in Mongolia has been called a “kids’ crisis” by the Mongolian Red Cross Society, with children under five accounting for more than two-thirds of cases reported up to 18 January.

24 January 2019

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Story

Powering Change

January 25, 2019

“It has reached epidemic proportions.” This is how Sara Othow, Caseworker with International Medical Corps team in Aburoc, South Sudan, describes the level of sexual and gender-based violence (GBV) in the country.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Press Release

International Rescue Committee Calls on the U.S. to Rescind the Flawed and Dangerous ‘Remain in Mexico’ Policy

January 25, 2019

IRCT [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

News 21 Jan 2019

IRCT joins international calls for the immediate release of professional footballer and torture survivor, Mr Hakeem al-Araibi at risk of extradition to Bahrain and torture

News 21 Jan 2019

[IRCT is deeply concerned by the situation in Sudan and the detention of Dr. Nagib Nagm Eldin](#)

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest News

24 January 2019

[Islamic Relief welcomes the Global Compact on refugees](#)

Islamic Relief welcomes the adoption of the Global Compact on Refugees. Earlier this year we responded to early drafts of the Global Compact, calling on the UN and its Member states to:

Increase global funding for refugee protection and basic needs, enact legislation to uphold refugee rights, commit to resettling larger numbers of refugees and combat xenophobia and foster positive relationships between refugee and host communities.

Pressing them to ensure high quality education for every refugee child, adequately fund sexual and gender-based violence services and prevention programmes, provide psycho-social support services for refugees and actively involve faith-based actors at a local, national and international level in delivering protection and assistance for refugees...

Landsea [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected News; Project Updates, Reports

Palestine

[The challenge of filling gaps in the legs of Gaza's wounded](#)

Project Update 24 Jan 2019

Libya

[Refugees returned to overcrowded Libyan detention centres](#)

Project Update 23 Jan 2019

Mental health

[Displaced and distressed: people's mental health in East Africa](#)

Project Update 22 Jan 2019

Mercy Corps [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Operation Smile [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected News/Announcements

21 January 2019

[Billionaire fortunes grew by \\$2.5 billion a day last year as poorest saw their wealth fall](#)

Billionaire fortunes increased by 12 percent last year – or \$2.5 billion a day - while the 3.8 billion people who make up the poorest half of humanity saw their wealth decline by 11 percent, reveals a new report from Oxfam today.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest news from NRC

Central African Republic | 23. Jan 2019

[Peace talks must avert catastrophe](#)

"Central African Republic is steering towards a catastrophe, unless upcoming peace talks succeed," warns Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council Jan Egeland.

Afghanistan | 22. Jan 2019

[Kabul's tent dwellers struggle to survive](#)

With snow and freezing temperatures, displaced families living in makeshift tents in Kabul are struggling to survive the harsh winter.

Nigeria/Cameroon | 21. Jan 2019

[Nigerian refugees fleeing to Cameroon cannot be sent back](#)

Statement by Eric Batonon, Nigeria Country Director for the Norwegian Refugee Council:

Pact [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

News

Jan 24, 2019

[UGHE Campus Intertwined with Butaro Community](#)

Construction of the UGHE campus has transformed the surrounding community of Butaro over the past two years, in ways large and small.

Jan 22, 2019

[Ophelia Dahl on Optimism in Difficult Times, for Boston's NPR Station](#)

Ophelia Dahl, a PIH co-founder and the board chair, writes for WBUR's Cognoscenti on the importance of optimism in working to build a better, more humane world.

PATH [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/news>

All News

Ukraine

[Helping to improve family relationships](#)

24.01.2019 - The armed conflict in eastern Ukraine seriously affected the life of the Skotarenko family. Family strengthening helped them to grow stronger as a family again.

Greece

[The cold reality of life on Lesbos](#)

21.01.2019 - Heavy rain and freezing temperatures add to the challenges facing refugee families on a Greek island.

Tostan [to 26 Jan 2019]

<http://www.tostan.org>

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 26 Jan 2019]

<http://wvi.org/>

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

*Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research
Press Releases*

[Angola: New Code Protects LGBTI Community](#)

January 25, 2019

The Angolan parliament recently adopted a new Penal Code decriminalizing same-sex activities and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Transparency International [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

23 Jan 2019

**[European Commission sees corruption risks but needs to get tougher on golden visas
Politics and government](#)**

Transparency International and Global Witness warn that today's report from the Commission falls short of the urgent action needed to clean up the shady industry.

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Bond [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24 January 2019

[A human approach to crisis management](#)

Managing a crisis can be complicated, but organisations need to consider their people's wellbeing when planning their responses.

[Graham Mackay](#)

ChildFund Alliance [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>
No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 26 Jan 2019]
<http://concordeurope.org/news-and-events/>
No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 26 Jan 2019]
<http://www.dec.org.uk/media-centre>
LATEST PRESS RELEASES
No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 26 Jan 2019]
<http://theelders.org/news-media>
Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements
Friday, 18 January, 2019
Press release
[**Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Juan Manuel Santos and Zeid Raad Al Hussein join The Elders**](#)
[See Week in Review above for full text]

Evidence Aid [to 26 Jan 2019]
www.evidenceaid.org
No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 26 Jan 2019]
<https://www.gavi.org/>
No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 26 Jan 2019]
<https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/>
25 January 2019
[**Measuring and Reporting Results**](#)

Smart, effective health investments through the Global Fund partnership have saved more than 27 million lives, and that remarkable success against the world's deadliest infectious diseases could only be achieved by the collaborative efforts of many partners. We welcome all discussion and ideas on how best to measure and report the results of interventions in global health. Given the imperative to optimize impact from constrained resources – whether domestic or external – it is vital that we measure and communicate what's working and what isn't. Donors and domestic taxpayers want to know their money is being used to maximum effect. Implementers and technical partners need to know what to expand and what to modify.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

News

[World's First International Day of Education Could Not Come Soon Enough](#)

Inter Press Service 24 January 2019

Children's education is in a state of emergency when it comes to protracted crises. 75 million school-aged children and young people are in desperate need of educational support, are either in danger of or are already missing out on their education in countries facing war and violence (1*).

[World Bank, Gates Foundation, DFID Join Forces to Improve Education Quality Around the World](#)

The World Bank 21 January 2019

LONDON, January 21, 2019 – The World Bank, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the UK's Department for International Development today announced a new partnership that will develop tools governments can use to better monitor the quality of their education systems, allowing policymakers to take real-time decisions to ensure that all children are learning. This collaboration will advance the goals of the Human Capital Project, a global effort to accelerate more and better investments in people for greater equity and economic growth.

InterAction [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest News; Blog Entries

Jan 21, 2019

[Solutions Over Pessimism: A Key to Global Progress in 2019](#)

A new U.S. Congress was sworn in on January 3rd, and despite the current government shutdown, these new...

Start Network [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Publications

[Cash and change: a replication study of a cash transfer experiment in Malawi](#)

Replication paper 3ie 2019

Unconditional cash transfers are increasingly held as a benchmark in development research and practice, against which, it is argued, other interventions should be compared for impact and cost-effectiveness.

[Impact of unconditional cash transfers: a replication study of the short-term effects in Kenya](#)

Replication paper 3ie 2019

Wang and colleagues replicate the results of a randomized evaluation carried out by Haushofer and Shapiro in 2016.

[CEDIL lecture: stakeholder engagement for development impact evaluation and evidence synthesis](#)

CEDIL 23 January 2019 London Professor Sandy Oliver (UCL Institute of Education) will deliver a lecture on engaging stakeholders in the generation and use of evidence on 23 January 2019.

[Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action \(ALNAP\)](#) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

[CHS Alliance](#) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

24/01/2019

[Don't let PSEA stand alone - join the discussion on 6 February at the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week](#)

The timely topic "Don't let PSEA stand alone" will bring together the CHS Alliance, HQAI and IOM to identify opportunities and challenges when it comes to integrating PSEA in the way we work in the sector. Join the discussion at the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week (HNPW) on Wednesday, 6 February 2019 at 11:00am.

[Development Initiatives](#) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

[EHLRA/R2HC](#) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

[Groupe URD](#) [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Groupe urd's latest publications

Literature review: From crisis prevention to the roots of fragility

Groupe URD regularly produces literature reviews on topical issues in the sector. This second edition in the series focuses on crisis prevention and issues of fragility.

Key points from the Indonesian tsunami experience-sharing exercise

To discuss the response to the tsunami that struck the north of the island of Sulawesi last September, the French Network for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation organised an experience-sharing exercise. The following are the key points that emerged during these discussions.

Read more

Analyse documentaire : « De la prévention des crises aux racines de la fragilité », décembre 2018
Points clés RETEX Indonésie, décembre 2018

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://ihsa.info/>

No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

News

New e-learning course helps humanitarian actors become Sphere Champions

23 January 2019 | Sphere

A new Sphere e-learning course will help users gain the skills needed to promote Sphere within their own network and to leverage improved quality and accountability for people affected by crisis and disaster. The one-hour...

Handbook translations increase global access to the Sphere standards

23 January 2019 | Sphere

Following the launch of the Sphere Handbook in November, Sphere's partners are already at work translating the Handbook into their own languages. These efforts will bring the Handbook to more humanitarian professionals and communities...

Addressing the power imbalance in the humanitarian sector

21 January 2019 | Sphere

How can humanitarian standards support the empowerment of local actors, including affected people? With the localisation agenda receiving much attention and the 2018 Sphere Handbook focusing even more on using standards in context at...

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://phap.org/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

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Brookings

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

Accessed 26 Jan 2019

Latest Research

U.S. Economy

[Macroeconomics and market power: Facts, potential explanations, and open questions](#)

[Chad Syverson](#)

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Center for Global Development [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

CSIS [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[Venezuela's Presidential Crisis and the Transition to Democracy](#)

January 25, 2019

From a constitutional law perspective, Venezuela is in a transitional process where under Articles 233 and 333 of the constitution, Juan Guaidó, as the designated interim president, should be able to seize the presidency.

Report

[Independence Movements and Their Aftermath: Evaluating the Likelihood of Success](#)

January 24, 2019 | [Jon B. Alterman](#)

Some successful self-determination movements have inspired the world. Others have provoked crises. This brief provides a framework for evaluating independence movements and their likelihood of producing stable societies after independence.

Report

[Self-Determination and U.S. Choices](#)

January 24, 2019 | [Will Todman](#)

The United States government can neither engender new states nor prevent them from coming into being, but it does possess a range of policy tools to influence the trajectory of new or aspiring states.

Report

[Self-Determination and the Struggle for Success: Generalizing the Findings](#)

January 24, 2019 | [Will Todman](#)

A broad-scale examination of the factors that lead to thriving societies after independence does not yield clear patterns. It underlines the uncertainty that pervades the enterprise of pursuing, winning, and implementing independence.

Report

[The Importance of Being Balanced: Lessons from Negotiated Settlements to Self-determination Movements in Bosnia, Macedonia, and Kosovo](#)

January 24, 2019

The United Nations' preferred solution to self-determination movements is complex power-sharing agreements from which no party prefers to defect unilaterally. What can we learn from the Western Balkans about what balance of power typically constitutes a successful...

Report

[South Sudan: The Painful Rise and Rapid Descent of the World's Newest Nation](#)

January 24, 2019 | [Richard Downie](#)

South Sudan achieved independence in 2011 after five decades of struggle and enjoyed substantial international support. However, within two and a half years, the dream of independence lay in ruins as fighting led to a bloody civil war.

Report

[Kosovo: An Unlikely Success Still in the Making](#)

January 24, 2019

The modern Kosovo state is a product of Albanian nonviolent and violent rebellion, Serbian repression, the dissolution of socialist Yugoslavia, state collapse in Albania, NATO intervention, U.S. and EU support, Russian weakness, and UN administration.

Report

[Timor-Leste: A Nation of Resistance](#)

January 24, 2019

Within just 15 years of independence, Timor-Leste managed to become the most democratic nation in Southeast Asia. Its success was possible due to the skill of its leaders, shifts in geopolitics, and unprecedented levels of international support.

Report

[Eritrea: The Independence Struggle and the Struggles of Independence](#)

January 24, 2019

Eritrea's independence struggle entailed a 30-year war and the mobilization of a remarkable national liberation movement. Independent Eritrea started with great hopes, but a border war broke out with Ethiopia in 1998, resulting in the almost complete militarization of...

Report

[Bangladesh: Two Independence Movements](#)

January 24, 2019

Many issues that shaped Bangladesh's independence movement—the second of the country's two independence movements—still stalk Bangladeshi politics four decades after its bloody creation. Relatively successful economically, Bangladesh's political trajectory has been...

Report

[America's Military Spending and the Uncertain Costs of its Wars: The Need for Transparent Reporting](#)

January 23, 2019 | [Anthony H. Cordesman](#)

The present U.S. government effort to cost America's wars between FY2001 and FY2019 is a morass of contradictory, uncertain, and dysfunctional figures.

Report

[Pursuing Effective and Conflict-Aware Stabilization: Framing and Constructing a Roadmap](#)

January 22, 2019 | [Melissa Dalton](#), [Erol Yayboke](#), [MacKenzie Hammond](#), [Hijab Shah](#) Facing political and budgetary constraints, the United States must be more selective and disciplined in how it scopes and executes stabilization in conflict-affected countries to ensure it meets clearly defined U.S. and partner political goals.

Report

[Influence and Infrastructure: The Strategic Stakes of Foreign Projects](#)

January 22, 2019 | [Jonathan E. Hillman](#)

Around the world, countries are racing to build new infrastructure and reap the benefits that come with greater connectivity. But the stakes extend far beyond economics: infrastructure is also a tool for advancing diplomatic, intelligence, and military objectives.

ODI [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[Announcement – ODI Executive Director stepping down](#)

Press release | 22 January 2019

ODI Executive Director, Alex Thier, announced today that he'll be stepping down from his role at the end of May 2019

[MEDIA NOTE: Globalisation must provide for the poorest – statement and ODI experts at World Economic Forum](#)

Press release | 21 January 2019

Political leaders, chief executives and NGOs are gathering in Davos this week for the 2019 World Economic Forum

[Building livelihood and community resilience: lessons from Somalia and Zimbabwe](#)

Working and discussion papers | January 2019 | John Twigg and Margherita Calderone

Developing a theoretical conceptualisation of resilience and operational guidance on resilience-building in fragile environments.

[International financial centres and development finance](#)

Research reports and studies | January 2019 | Judith Tyson

The development community must be more balanced in its approach to the debate on the possible advantages and disadvantages of utilising IFCs.

[New financing partnerships for humanitarian impact](#)

Research reports and studies | January 2019 | Barnaby Willitts-King, Roshni Assomull, John Bryant, Clare McCartney, Tej Dhami and Dominic Llewellyn with Sarah Adamczyk

How innovative financing could help to address funding challenges facing the humanitarian system.

[Influencing adaptation policy: the role of policy entrepreneurs in securing ownership and climate action in South Asia](#)

Research reports and studies | December 2018 | Thomas Tanner, Rizwan Uz Zaman and Sunil Acharya

This paper highlights the particular role of policy entrepreneurs in helping to promote mainstreaming climate change into development policy.

Taxation and accountability in sub-Saharan Africa: new evidence for a governance dividend

Working and discussion papers | December 2018 | Roel Dom

Tax revenue and accountability are still positively linked in contemporary developing countries.

Urban Institute [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

February 1, 2019

Pregnant women with opioid use disorder and their infants in three state Medicaid programs in 2013–2016

Steep increases in the prevalence of opioid use disorder (OUD) among pregnant women have serious consequences for maternal and infant health. This study analyzed linked maternal and infant Medicaid claims data and infant birth records in three states in the year before and after birth occurring 2014 to 2015. In the year before and after birth, 2% of mothers had an OUD diagnosis and 6% had a substance use disorder (SUD) diagnosis

[Lisa Clemans-Cope](#), [Victoria Lynch](#), [Embry M. Howell](#), [Ian Hill](#), [Nikhil Holla](#), [Justin W. Morgan](#), [Paul Johnson](#), [Caitlin Cross-Barnet](#), [Alice Thompson](#)

Journal Article

Navigating Work Requirements in Safety Net Programs

Work-related requirements—such as employment, job search, job training, or community engagement activities—are currently a condition of eligibility for some safety net programs. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), housing assistance and Medicaid each include work-related requirements in some states or localities for some beneficiaries. Recent proposals

[Heather Hahn](#)

January 25, 2019

Research Report

How the TCJA's New UBIT Provisions Will Affect Nonprofits

Changes in Unrelated Business Income Taxes (UBIT) mandated by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017 will have significant costs for some nonprofit organizations. A survey of Independent Sector members and partner organizations in November 2018 reveals the costs and other implications of those changes. Costs of New Transportation Benefits UBIT Taxes: Over 200 nonprofit organizations estimate it will cost them more than \$2.1

[Elizabeth T. Boris](#), [Joseph J. Cordes](#)

January 24, 2019

Research Report

What's Behind 2018 and 2019 Marketplace Insurer Participation and Pricing Decisions?

In 2018, insurers exited from many Affordable Care Act (ACA) nongroup insurance marketplaces, and remaining insurers increased their premiums sharply in many areas. In 2019, most areas experienced modest increases, or even decreases, in premiums,¹ despite the pending elimination of the individual mandate penalties. And nationally, more insurers entered marketplaces than exited.² To better understand these developments, we

[John Holahan](#), [Linda J. Blumberg](#), [Erik Wengle](#), [Caroline Elmendorf](#)

January 24, 2019

Brief

Career Advancement Fact Sheets

These fact sheets highlight key challenges and opportunities to generate ideas for policymakers, funders, and practitioners to better support career advancement beyond an entry-level job. The fact sheets focus on three areas: policy, programs, and research. The fact sheets reflect key points from the October 11, 2018, panel discussions and expert roundtable, Advancing to a Middle-Skill Job: Moving Beyond the First Step on a

[Lauren Eyster](#), [Laura Greenback](#)

January 22, 2019

Highlights

Career Advancement Program Profiles

These program profiles are a companion to the brief, Fulfilling the Promise of Career Pathways: Strategies that Support Career Advancement. The profiles provide a more in-depth look at the career advancement programs highlighted in the brief. The organizations that lead these programs are: Instituto del Progreso Latino, Georgia Tech Supply Chain & Logistics Institute, Generation USA, the Washington Hospitality

[Semhar Gebrekristos](#), [Lauren Eyster](#)

January 22, 2019

Highlights

World Economic Forum [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Selected News Releases

News 25 Jan 2019

World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2019 Closes with Initiatives to Address Global Problems

Climate Change, Income Disparity Dominate Final Debate at Davos

With Rising Inequality, Stricter Taxes can Fund a 'New Development Paradigm'

Use Tech to Address Challenges of Outdated Social Systems, Extreme Inequality

World Economic Forum Announces New Trustees

Cleared for Take-Off: India Ready for the Drone Revolution, Pilots New Open Source Guide for Governments

Disability Inclusion Is 'Good Business' Despite Low Awareness

Leaders Underscore the Importance of NATO

News 24 Jan 2019

Africa's Youth Ready for a Digital Future but Leaders Are Lagging Behind

[Finance Experts Say US Economy Faces Zero Growth but Recession Unlikely](#)

[Afghanistan's President Reaffirms Commitment to Democracy](#)

[Real Progress Imminent in Creating Circular Plastics Economy](#)

[Female Leadership at a Tipping Point Despite Persistent Workplace Bias](#)

[UN Secretary-General: Fragmented Response to Global Risk a 'Recipe For Disaster'](#)

[Cybersecurity Experts: World Needs 'Coalition of the Willing' to Meet Cyberthreats](#)

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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 26 Jan 2019]

<https://www.alleninstitute.org/news-press/>

News

[New CRISPR-based technique in mice upends rules of genetic inheritance](#)

January 23, 2019

'Active genetics,' the parent technique of controversial gene drives, could speed biomedical research, improve mouse models of human disease.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 26 Jan 2019]

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 26 Jan 2019]

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

Equals Change Blog 22 January 2019

[We heard you: Here's how we're strengthening our partnership with grantees](#)

By [Hilary Pennington](#), [Bess Rothenberg](#) and [Megan Morrison](#)

Last April, after Ford received the results from the [Center for Effective Philanthropy's \(CEP\) Grantee Perception Report](#), we made a commitment to further strengthen our relationships with grantees.

GHIT Fund [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest Updates

[Art in progress: A sneak peek at three Hewlett 50 Arts Commissions recipients](#)

Performing Arts

By [Heath Wickline](#)

January 25, 2019

[Evaluating the Madison Initiative](#)

In March of 2014, when we recommended an initial three-year, \$50 million phase of exploratory grant-making for the Madison Initiative to the Hewlett Foundation board, we noted in our proposal memo that "the democratic system we want to change is more accurately described as a system of systems (and subsystems) on a national scale. These...

[Madison Initiative](#)

By [Daniel Stid](#)

January 24, 2019

[Bay Area philanthropy, business, and community advocates unite to launch landmark regional housing partnership](#)

The Partnership for the Bay's Future will protect tenant rights and promote one of the largest housing investment funds in the country SAN FRANCISCO — Today, Bay Area community and faith leaders, housing advocates, business leaders, and philanthropists launched a regional public-private housing partnership that will build one of the country's largest investment funds to...

[Effective Philanthropy](#)

January 24, 2019

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

January 24, 2019 *News Release*

[California Poll: Access to Mental Health Care, Insurance Coverage, and Affordability Rank among Californians' Top Health Care Priorities for the New Governor and Legislature](#)

Large Majorities across Parties Say Medi-Cal is Important to the State; Most Residents Say Program is Important to Their Families; Access to Care Remains a Challenge for Some Enrollees Californians rank making health care more affordable among their top overall priorities for the state's new governor and legislature, with 45...

January 23, 2019 *News Release*

[Poll: Majorities Favor a Range of Options to Expand Public Coverage, Including Medicare-for-All](#)

At a time when debate is beginning about a national Medicare-for-all plan and other approaches to expanding coverage through public programs, this month's KFF Health Tracking poll examines Americans' early opinion on a range of options under consideration. The poll finds majority support for four different approaches: 77 percent of...

Aga Khan Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

<https://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media>

Jan. 25, 2019 *Racial Equity*

[5 ways to continue open and inclusive dialogue for Racial Healing](#)

MacArthur Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

What We're Learning

[Assessing Community Capital Needs, Flows, and Gaps](#)

January 23, 2019 Grantee Research

[Commission Seeks Truth behind Ayotzinapa Disappearances](#)

January 23, 2019 Grantee Research

[Essays Explore Renewable Energy in India](#)

January 23, 2019 Grantee Research

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Press Releases & Statements

Opinion January 22, 2019

[As New Congress Begins, Federal-State Connections Are as Important as Ever](#)

Opinion January 19, 2019

[Community Supervision Too Often Leads to Incarceration](#)

Rockefeller Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

January 24, 2019

[CrossBoundary Mini-Grid Facility Announces First Close with The Rockefeller Foundation and Ceniarth](#) Groundbreaking facility unlocking private capital for mini-grids in Africa, providing grid-quality power to rural households and businesses First close on initial \$16m facility to provide...

[Mastercard and The Rockefeller Foundation Announce 'Data Science for Social Impact' with Initial \\$50 Million Commitment](#)

New collaborative to unlock the power of data for good

DAVOS, Switzerland, January 22, 2019 –The Mastercard Center for Inclusive Growth and The Rockefeller Foundation today announced Data Science for Social Impact. This transformational model for collaborative philanthropy will accelerate the use of data science by empowering non-profit, civic and government organizations with the tools, expertise and other capabilities they need to help solve the world's most pressing challenges.

The collaborative was announced at the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, with an initial commitment of \$50 million from The Rockefeller Foundation and the Mastercard Impact Fund over five years and an invitation to other companies and philanthropies to join...

The collaborative's first activity is \$20 million in funding to DataKind, a global nonprofit that harnesses the power of data science and AI in the service of humanity that has completed over 250 projects by deploying expert data science volunteers from their network of over 30,000 across five worldwide chapters since its founding in 2011. This support from the collaborative will allow DataKind to transition from a project to a platform-based model, thereby, supporting more organizations on a set of common issues, including community health and inclusive growth.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports

No new digest content identified.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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).

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

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Press Releases

[Call for Letters of Inquiry; Net-Zero and Net-Negative Emissions Technologies](#)

[Call for Letters of Inquiry: Sensors and Monitoring Energy or Environmental Systems](#)

Wellcome Trust [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

Explainer | 22 January 2019

[CEPI can develop new vaccines to fight epidemics – but it needs global funding](#)

Developing new vaccines is challenging, costly and complex. The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovation (CEPI) is a new model for funding vaccine development which aims to change this.

News | 22 January 2019

[Acting Director of Science announced](#)

Mike Turner has been appointed Acting Director of Wellcome's Science Division.

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Foundation Center [to 26 Jan 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 26 Jan 2019]

<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

January 2019 Volume 47, Issue 1, p1-116

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Infection Control

January 2019 Volume 47, Issue 1, p1-116

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

January 2019 Volume 56, Issue 1, p1-178

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

January 2019 109(1)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 100, Issue 1, 2019

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/100/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

January 2019 - Volume 4 - 1

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/4/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

Research article

[**Role of public-private partnerships in achieving UNAIDS HIV treatment targets**](#)

Despite progress towards achieving UNAIDS 90–90–90 goals, barriers persist in laboratory systems in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) restricting scale up of early infant diagnosis (EID) and viral load (VL) test monito...

Authors: Ritu Shrivastava, Peter N. Fonjungo, Yenew Kebede, Rajendra Bhimaraj, Shabnam Zavahir, Christina Mwangi, Renuka Gadde, Heather Alexander, Patricia L. Riley, Andrea Kim and John N. Nkengasong

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2019 19:46

Published on: 18 January 2019

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

Research article

[The psychology of “cure” - unique challenges to consent processes in HIV cure research in South Africa](#)

Consent processes for clinical trials involving HIV prevention research have generated considerable debate globally over the past three decades. HIV cure/eradication research is scientifically more complex and...

Authors: Keymanthri Moodley, Ciara Staunton, Theresa Rossouw, Malcolm de Roubaix, Zoe DUBY and Donald Skinner

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2019 20:9

Published on: 24 January 2019

Research article

[How to effectively obtain informed consent in trauma patients: a systematic review](#)

Obtaining adequate informed consent from trauma patients is challenging and time-consuming. Healthcare providers must communicate complicated medical information to enable patients to make informed decisions. ...

Authors: Yen-Ko Lin, Kuan-Ting Liu, Chao-Wen Chen, Wei-Che Lee, Chia-Ju Lin, Leiyu Shi and Yin-Chun Tien

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2019 20:8

Published on: 23 January 2019

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

Research article

[Lifting the veil on disrespect and abuse in facility-based child birth care: findings from South West Nigeria](#)

Eliminating disrespect and abuse in health care facilities during childbirth could be a contributory factor in improving pregnancy outcomes and avoiding preventable illnesses and deaths. This study aims to pro...

Authors: Macellina Y. Ijadunola, Ezeomu Audrina Olotu, Olaitan O. Oyedun, Stanley O. Eferakeya, Faith I. Ilesanmi, Ayotomiwa T. Fagbemi and Omowunmi C. Fasae

Citation: BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth 2019 19:39

Published on: 22 January 2019

BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

Research article

[Human trafficking among Ethiopian returnees: its magnitude and risk factors](#)

Human trafficking was affecting a number of individuals in Ethiopia that resulted in various health problems and human right violations. Though the pushing and pulling factors of human trafficking were identif...

Authors: Lemma Derseh Gezie, Alemayehu Worku Yalew and Yigzaw Kebede Gete

Citation: BMC Public Health 2019 19:104

Published on: 22 January 2019

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 26 Jan 2019)

Research note

[Health professionals' willingness to pay and associated factors for human papilloma virus vaccination to prevent cervical cancer at College of Medicine and Health Sciences University of Gondar, Northwest Ethiopia](#)

Preferences of health professionals' for human papilloma virus vaccines was measured by monetary value through willingness to pay (WTP) approach that could help policy makers set priorities among alternative c...

Authors: Abebe Ayinalem Tarekegn and Ayenew Engida Yismaw

Citation: BMC Research Notes 2019 12:58

Published on: 24 January 2019

BMJ Open

January 2019 - Volume 9 - 1

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 97, Number 1, January 2019, 1-72
<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/97/1/en/>
[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 45, Issue 1 Pages: 1-145 January 2019
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

January 2019 Volume 41, Issue 1, p1-190
<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Clinical Trials

Volume 16 Issue 1, February 2019
<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/16/1>
International Issues

[Strategic inclusion of regions in multiregional clinical trials](#)

Seung Yeon Song, Deborah Chee, EunYoung Kim

First Published November 16, 2018; pp. 98–105

Abstract

Background

With the recent publication of the International Conference on Harmonisation E17 guideline and major reforms in China underway, the platform for clinical trial conduct is expected to change. This study aims to assess the strategic inclusion of regions in clinical trials and its change in trends over the past decade.

Methods

The [ClinicalTrials.gov](#) registry was searched for clinical trials registered by the top 10 pharmaceutical companies between 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2017. Extracted data included phase, disease type, intervention, study start year, and region. Trial type was classified as either a local study or a multiregional clinical trial as per the International Conference on Harmonisation E17 guideline.

Results

Of 2488 phase I, 1855 phase II, and 1999 phase III trials included, the majority of phase I trials were local studies (76.8%), while the majority of phase II (66.0%) and phase III (72.2%) trials were multiregional clinical trials. The proportion of multiregional clinical trials showed an increasing trend for all phases ($p < 0.01$). Although North America and Europe remained the main locations, increasing trends of inclusion of other regions, such as East Asia, were noted.

Conclusion

Globalization of drug development is evident with the increasing trend of multiregional clinical trial. Regulatory authorities as well as the pharmaceutical industry should prepare for the evolving setting of clinical research and problems that can arise from these changes.

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 26 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 76 Pages 1-132 (January 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/76/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

February 2019 - Volume 32 - Issue 1

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 18, Issue 4 Pages: 307-432 December 2018

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 29, Issue 2, 2019

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

Article

[Language, NGOs and inclusion: the donor perspective](#)

[Angela M. Crack](#)

Pages: 159-169

Published online: 15 Nov 2018

Article

[WaSH as a maternal health issue: three perspectives from rural Uganda](#)

[Corinne Schuster-Wallace](#), [Susan Watt](#), [Zachariah Mulawa](#) & [Morgan Pommells](#)

Pages: 183-195

Published online: 12 Oct 2018

Development Policy Review

Volume 37, Issue 1 Pages: i-iv, 1, 3-151 January 2019

<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>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 43, Issue 1 Pages: 1-217 January 2019

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

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 19, Number 12 01 December 2018

<http://embor.embopress.org/content/19/12?current-issue=y>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Emergency Medicine Journal

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

[Accessed 26 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 25, Number 1—January 2019

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Epidemics

Volume 25 Pages 1-112 (December 2018)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 147 - 2019

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 41, Issue 1 January-February 2019
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/25782363>

New Challenges and Unresolved Issues

The inaugural issue of Ethics & Human Research (E&HR) marks an exciting milestone in The Hastings Centers' 40-year history of publishing a journal that focuses on the ethical, regulatory, and policy issues related to research with humans. Like its predecessor, IRB: Ethics & Human Research, E&HR will publish conceptual and empirical analyses on a wide range of topics related to the human research enterprise.

The journal's name change conveys to the global community of authors and readers that E&HR is not solely about issues related to institutional review boards (IRBs) in the United States. The title shift provides an opportunity to identify new ethical, policy, and regulatory challenges that rapid developments in science, medicine, and regulatory frameworks bring to the conduct and oversight of human subjects research in the United States and elsewhere. Along with publishing work that investigates new challenges, E&HR aims not only to draw attention to unresolved issues but also to broaden the scope of issues for investigation and analysis in the field of human research ethics. The pieces in this inaugural issue identify several new challenges and hint at some of the unresolved issues and broader topics that merit further attention.

Ethics & International Affairs

Winter 2018 (Issue 32.4) December 2018

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2018/winter-2018-issue-32-4/>

[Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 28, Issue 6, December 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/28/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75

Volume 82, Pages 1-84 (January 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/82/suppl/C>

Special Issue: Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition in South Asia

Research article *Open access*

[Leveraging agriculture for nutrition in South Asia: What do we know, and what have we learned?](#)

Stuart Gillespie, Nigel Poole, Mara van den Bold, R.V. Bhavani, ... Prakash Shetty

Pages 3-12

Abstract

Despite significant improvements over recent decades, rates of undernutrition remain high in South Asia, with adverse impacts on morbidity and mortality. Overweight/obesity, among children and adults, is now an additional and major public health concern. While agriculture has the potential to improve nutrition through several pathways, this potential is currently not being realised in the region. The Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition in South Asia (LANSA) research consortium (2012–2018) set out to improve understanding about how agriculture and related food policies and programs in South Asia (specifically in India, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan) can be better conceptualised and

implemented in order to enhance impacts on nutrition outcomes, especially those of young children and adolescent girls. This paper provides a snapshot of the agriculture-nutrition nexus in the region, outlines the pathways through which agriculture can influence nutrition outcomes, elaborates on the objectives of the LANSAs research consortium within this context, and highlights the core findings of the six papers that form the body of this Special Issue. The paper ends with five key lessons that have emerged from this research, during this decade.

Food Security

December 2018, Issue 6, Pages 1297-1672

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/10/6/page/1>

Re-building food systems: Food and Nutritional Security in Europe and Food Policy

[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 46, 2019 - Issue 1

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current>

Article

[Brokers – A Weapon of the Weak: The Impact of Bureaucracy and Brokers on a Community-based Forest Management Project in the Brazilian Amazon](#)

[Örjan Bartholdson](#) & [Roberto Porro](#)

Pages: 1-22

Published online: 27 Jan 2018

Article

[Public Servants as Development Brokers: The Shaping of INGOs' Reducing Teenage Pregnancy Projects in Malawi's Primary Education Sector](#)

[Hanneke Pot](#)

Pages: 23-44

Published online: 29 Jan 2018

Article

[Some Aspects on the Failure of Agrarian Reforms in Mexico and other Latin American Countries](#)

[José Galindo](#)

Pages: 131-146
Published online: 14 Sep 2018

Genocide Studies International

Volume 12 Issue 1, Spring 2018
<https://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Genome Medicine

<https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles>
[Accessed 26 Jan 2019]
[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 10, Issue 4, December 2018
<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/10/4/page/1>

Special Issue: Geodiversity and Geoheritage: Crossing Disciplines and Approaches

...This issue of *Geoheritage* comprises nine papers presented at the session "Geoheritage and Geodiversity Matter: Themes, Links and Interactions" held in Vienna in April 2016 at the European Geosciences Union General Assembly. The papers focus on current methods of research and debates on geodiversity and geoheritage in international as well as national scientific circles, from the global to the local scale...

Global Health Action

Volume 11, 2018 – Issue 1
<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/11/1?nav=tocList>
[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 6, No. 4 December 27, 2018
<http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health

Volume 14, 2019 Issue 2
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rqph20/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>
[Accessed 26 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Health Affairs

Vol. 37 , No. 12 December 2018

<https://www.healthaffairs.org/toc/hlthaff/current>

Telehealth

[Reviewed earlier]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 20, Issue 2, December 2018

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-20-issue-2-december-2018/>

Issue 20.2 features a special section: Special Section on Human Rights and the Social Determinants of Health and a General Papers section

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 14 - Issue 1 - January 2019

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Equity

Volume 2, Issue 1 / December 2018

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/heq/2/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 9, 1 November 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Promotion International

Volume 34, Issue 1, February 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/heapro/issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

<http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content>

[Accessed 26 Jan 2019]

Research

[What, why and how do health systems learn from one another? Insights from eight low- and middle-income country case studies](#)

All health systems struggle to meet health needs within constrained resources. This is especially true for low-income countries. It is critical that they can learn from wider contexts in order to improve their...

Authors: Sophie Witter, Ian Anderson, Peter Annear, Abiodun Awosusi, Nitin N. Bhandari, Nouria Brikci, Blandine Binachon, Tata Chanturidze, Katherine Gilbert, Charity Jensen, Tomas Lievens, Barbara McPake, Snehashish Raichowdhury and Alex Jones

Citation: Health Research Policy and Systems 2019 17:9

Published on: 21 January 2019

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 40, Number 4, November 2018

<http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39375>

[Reviewed earlier]

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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[Ebola and War in the Democratic Republic of Congo - Avoiding Failure and Thinking Ahead](#)

Lawrence O. Gostin, JD; Matthew M. Kavanagh, PhD; Elizabeth Cameron, PhD

JAMA. 2019;321(3):243-244. doi:10.1001/jama.2018.19743

In this Viewpoint, Gostin and colleagues review recommendations developed by experts convened by Georgetown University on how the international community can respond to the 2018 Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) in the midst of active conflict and insecurity from armed rebels.

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Eugene Ch'ng, Shengdan Cai, Tong Evelyn Zhang, Fui-Theng Leow (pp. 24 - 42)

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Chandani K.C.Sadasivam Karuppanan, Alpana Sivam (pp. 93 - 110)

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Editorial

[At the turn of the tide: human rights and health in 2019](#)

The Lancet

A pattern of political turmoil, violence, and intolerance in all corners of the world, from Europe to Asia and the USA, is following a rise of populist leaders and authoritarian governments. Human rights are under autocratic threat. Once-influential rights defenders, such as the USA, have faded away, risking a void in the global defence of human rights. This gloomy reality is underscored in Human Rights Watch's [World Report 2019](#), released Jan 17, which summarises key human rights issues in nearly 100 countries and territories worldwide. This year's annual report sends a clear message: that human rights violations propagated by autocratic leaders throughout 2018 continue to imperil the health of the world's most vulnerable populations.

Inequality and discrimination fuelled much of the harm in 2018. Immigration became one of the most divisive issues among autocratic leaders in Europe. The failure to establish protective measures for people with migrant and refugee status restricted their access to health care. Some European governments, such as the Italian and Hungarian regimes, prevented migrants from entering their countries and fuelled rising anti-immigrant sentiment. In the USA, President Trump separated immigrant children from their parents. In southeast Asia, more than 1 million Rohingya Muslims remain locked in a cycle of poor child health, malnutrition, waterborne illness, and poor obstetric care after decades of discrimination—a situation that has worsened drastically because of a brutal crackdown by the Myanmar army.

Attacks in armed conflict zones against hospitals and threats to health-care staff continued to be problematic. In Yemen, in what UN officials describe as the world's largest humanitarian crisis, bombings and blockade by Saudi-led coalitions hampered the movement and safety of health-care staff, patients, and ambulances. Similar examples of attacks on health-care facilities were reported in the Gaza Strip and in areas of war-ravaged Syria.

Restricted supply of food and basic medical supplies in countries experiencing financial turmoil have threatened the health and safety of their populations. Under President Nicolás Maduro's leadership, Venezuela's infrastructure has crumbled and an economic collapse has triggered a historic exodus of civilians. The country's health-care system is decaying, triggering a rise in the rates of maternal and infant mortality and a spike in cases of malaria and diphtheria.

But there are reasons for hope. Unlike previous annual reports, World Report 2019 paints a brighter picture of the future. In his introductory essay, Executive Director Kenneth Roth explains that, amid political chaos and despite mounting pessimism around rights abuses and attacks on democracy by populists on both the far left and far right, 2018 was a remarkable year for human rights. This is not because of growing authoritarian tendencies, but because of resistance to them. "Important battles are being won, re-energising the global defence of human rights", states Roth. The pushback to autocracy was striking because it took unexpected forms—from elections, street demonstrations by civilians, both regionally and nationally, to non-traditional coalitions between smaller countries and organisations, the UN, and the European Parliament. 2018 saw unprecedented international efforts to resist attacks on democracy in Europe and Africa, to halt the Saudi-led bombing and blockading of Yemeni civilians, to prevent further bloodshed in Syria, and to take measures that will one day bring to justice the perpetrators of attacks against Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar. Latin American governments united with Canada to urge the International Criminal Court to open an investigation of crimes in Venezuela.

Democrat gains in the House of Representatives in the autumn midterm elections reflect, at least in part, a national dismay of Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric.

This rise of resistance against the autocracy must not lose momentum in 2019. Every day, in so many parts of the world, the health of women and children is attacked and reproductive rights are violated. In countries facing the consequences of pollution and climate change, or fighting outbreaks of infectious disease, vulnerable, marginalised, and minority populations are being overlooked. An access abyss in palliative care persists, and mental health is still neglected. Much of the pushback in the past year played out at the UN and the European Parliament, underlining the importance of solidarity and the collective voice. This global unity is a force that needs to be harnessed to truly shift the power dynamics in 2019 and to make it a year of triumph for both human rights and health. It will be a tough journey.

Editorial

Standing up for migration

The Lancet

WHO issued [a report](#) on the health of refugees and migrants in the WHO European Region on Jan 21, 2019. The report aims to provide an overview of the current health situation for refugees and migrants across the 53 countries of the region, by providing an evidence base for the approximately 258 million migrants in the area.

The report notes that “there are no global or region-wide indicators or standards for refugee and migrant health”. Although the global volume of refugees and migrants has remained relatively stable since 1990 (from 2·8% of global population then to 3·3% now), there has been a sharp rise in the proportion of displaced people over the same period, from five in 1000 in 1997 to nine in 1000 in 2017. This sizable population demands separate consideration, in part because their health concerns need promoting and defending in the face of increasing xenophobia across Europe.

Persistent myths about migrants and refugees have been allowed to propagate unchallenged in political discourse. Our recent Commission on Migration and Health highlighted some of these. Migrants contribute more to the wealth of host societies than they cost, and migrants have lower mortality than their host populations.

This new WHO Report and the recent Compact on Global Migration represent positive moves in an area of global health featuring some of the world's most maligned and at-risk populations. Too often, however, the voices of the migrants and refugees themselves are silenced in the conversation. Migrants and refugees clearly have vital contributions to make in the debate over their treatment and health, but, frustratingly, the dialogue surrounding them seems limited to those in positions of institutional power. We urge political leaders to privilege migrants as essential participants in the public conversation about their important contributions to the health of our societies.

Seminar

Dengue

Annelies Wilder-Smith, Eng-Eong Ooi, Olaf Horstick, Bridget Wills

Summary

Mortality from severe dengue is low, but the economic and resource burden on health services remains substantial in endemic settings. Unfortunately, progress towards development of effective therapeutics has been slow, despite notable advances in the understanding of disease pathogenesis and

considerable investment in antiviral drug discovery. For decades antibody-dependent enhancement has been the prevalent model to explain dengue pathogenesis, but it was only recently demonstrated in vivo and in clinical studies. At present, the current mainstay of management for most symptomatic dengue patients remains careful observation and prompt but judicious use of intravenous hydration therapy for those with substantial vascular leakage. Various new promising technologies for diagnosis of dengue are currently in the pipeline. New sample-in, answer-out nucleic acid amplification technologies for point-of-care use are being developed to improve performance over current technologies, with the potential to test for multiple pathogens using a single specimen. The search for biomarkers that reliably predict development of severe dengue among symptomatic individuals is also a major focus of current research efforts. The first dengue vaccine was licensed in 2015 but its performance depends on serostatus. There is an urgent need to identify correlates of both vaccine protection and disease enhancement. A crucial assessment of vector control tools should guide a research agenda for determining the most effective interventions, and how to best combine state-of-the-art vector control with vaccination.

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[Genomics can help to monitor cholera](#)

Sequence data from whole genomes let researchers track the spread of strains worldwide.

Comment | 22 January 2019

[Where are the Ebola diagnostics from last time?](#)

Analysis reveals commercial tests for Ebola are too hard to come by in the current outbreak — sustain investment, urge Lieselotte Cnops, Kevin K. Ariën and colleagues.

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[Voluntary sustainability standards could significantly reduce detrimental impacts of global agriculture](#)

W. K. Smith, E. Nelson, J. A. Johnson, S. Polasky, J. C. Milder, J. S. Gerber, P. C. West, S. Siebert, K. A. Brauman, K. M. Carlson, M. Arbutnot, J. P. Rozza, and D. N. Pennington

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Significance

Voluntary sustainability standards (VSS) may be an effective way to reduce the negative impacts of agriculture at regional to global scales. Here, we present an approach that highlights the potential of VSS to reduce some of the negative externalities associated with agriculture production. To illustrate this potential, we show that VSS could reduce the global environmental impacts from growing sugarcane. Further, most of this environmental benefit comes from targeting just 10% of production area. To realize these environmental gains, incentives for VSS adoption need to be sufficient to cover the costs of criteria compliance. Determining these costs and public and private-sector mechanisms for efficiently transferring VSS-adoption subsidies to farmers and millers are key future research needs.

Abstract

Voluntary sustainability standards (VSS) are stakeholder-derived principles with measurable and enforceable criteria to promote sustainable production outcomes. While institutional commitments to use VSS to meet sustainable procurement policies have grown rapidly over the past decade, we still have relatively little understanding of the (i) direct environmental benefits of large-scale VSS adoption; (ii) potential perverse indirect impacts of adoption; and (iii) implementation pathways. Here, we illustrate and address these knowledge gaps using an ecosystem service modeling and scenario analysis of Bonsucro, the leading VSS for sugarcane...

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Matthew James Vaughton Holmes, Isla-Kate Morris, Anthony Williams, Jennifer Le Blond, Victoria Cranna, Gail Davey

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[Ethical complexities in child co-research](#)

Merle Spriggs, Lynn Gillam

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Abstract

Child co-research has become popular in social research involving children. This is attributed to the emphasis on children's rights and is seen as a way to promote children's agency and voice. It is a way of putting into practice the philosophy, common amongst childhood researchers, that children are experts on childhood. In this article, we discuss ethical complexities of involving children as co-researchers, beginning with an analysis of the literature, then drawing on data from interviews with researchers who conduct child co-research. We identify six ethical complexities, some of which are new findings which have not been mentioned before in this context. In light of these possible ethical complexities, a key finding is for researchers to be reflexive – to reflect on how the research may affect child co-researchers and participants before the research starts. A separate overriding message that came out in responses from the researchers we interviewed was the need for support and training for child co-researchers. We conclude by providing a list of questions for reflexive researchers to ask of themselves when they use child co-research methodology. We also provide important questions for human research ethics committees to ask when they review projects using child co-research.

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Policy Forum

[Toward unrestricted use of public genomic data](#)

By Rudolf I. Amann, Shakuntala Baichoo, Benjamin J. Blencowe, Peer Bork, Mark Borodovsky, Cath Brooksbank, Patrick S. G. Chain, Rita R. Colwell, Daniele G. Daffonchio, Antoine Danchin, Victor de Lorenzo, Pieter C. Dorrestein, Robert D. Finn, Claire M. Fraser, Jack A. Gilbert, Steven J. Hallam, Philip Hugenholtz, John P. A. Ioannidis, Janet K. Jansson, Jihyun F. Kim, Hans-Peter Klenk, Martin G. Klotz, Rob Knight, Konstantinos T. Konstantinidis, Nikos C. Kyrpides, Christopher E. Mason, Alice C. McHardy, Folker Meyer, Christos A. Ouzounis, Aristides A. N. Patrinos, Mircea Podar, Katherine S. Pollard, Jacques Ravel, Alejandro Reyes Muñoz, Richard J. Roberts, Ramon Rosselló-Móra, Susanna-Assunta Sansone, Patrick D. Schloss, Lynn M. Schriml, João C. Setubal, Rotem Sorek, Rick L. Stevens, James M. Tiedje, Adrian Turjanski, Gene W. Tyson, David W. Ussery, George M. Weinstock, Owen White, William B. Whitman, Ioannis Xenarios

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Publication interests should not limit access to public data

Summary

Despite some notable progress in data sharing policies and practices, restrictions are still often placed on the open and unconditional use of various genomic data after they have received official approval for release to the public domain or to public databases. These restrictions, which often conflict with the terms and conditions of the funding bodies who supported the release of those data for the benefit of the scientific community and society, are perpetuated by the lack of clear guiding rules for data usage. Existing guidelines for data released to the public domain recognize but fail to resolve tensions between the importance of free and unconditional use of these data and the “right” of the data producers to the first publication. This self-contradiction has resulted in a loophole that allows different interpretations and a continuous debate between data producers and data users on the use of public data. We argue that the publicly available data should be treated as open data, a shared resource with unrestricted use for analysis, interpretation, and publication.

Social Science & Medicine

Volume 221 Pages 1-132 (January 2019)

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['There is no point giving cash to women who don't spend it the way they are told to spend it' – Exploring women's agency over cash in a combined participatory women's groups and cash transfer programme to improve low birthweight in rural Nepal](#)

Lu Gram, Jolene Skordis-Worrall, Naomi Saville, Dharma S. Manandhar, ... Joanna Morrison

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[Protection and well-being of adolescent refugees in the context of a humanitarian crisis: Perceptions from South Sudanese refugees in Uganda](#)

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Fall 2018 Volume 16, Number 4

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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*.

Philanthropy & Funding

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Volume 10, Issue 11 (November 2018)

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Research

[A decision tool to help researchers make decisions about including systematic reviews in overviews of reviews of healthcare interventions](#)

Overviews of reviews of healthcare interventions (overviews) integrate information from multiple systematic reviews (SRs) to provide a single synthesis of relevant evidence for decision-making.

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Volume 28 - Issue No.3

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[New Technologies: Where to?](#)

This issue focuses on new technologies and their potential benefits for humanity as well as their expanding use in advancing the 2030 Agenda. It explores the promise of our digital age, while posing important questions about where these technologies are leading us, and how their misuse could also lead to increased inequality and conflict.

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care

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World Heritage Review

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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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