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Period ending 9 March 2019

This weekly digest is intended to aggregate and distill key content from a broad spectrum of practice domains and organization types including key agencies/IGOs, NGOs, governments, academic and research institutions, consortiums and collaborations, foundations, and commercial organizations. We also monitor a spectrum of peer-reviewed journals and general media channels. The Sentinel's geographic scope is global/regional but selected country-level content is included. We recognize that this spectrum/scope yields an indicative and not an exhaustive product.

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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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Venezuela

[OAS Report on Venezuelan Migrants and Refugees: "An Unprecedented Crisis in the Region"](#)

March 8, 2019

The Working Group of the Organization of American States (OAS) on Venezuelan migrants and refugees today presented its preliminary report, which **warns that the forced migration of Venezuelans will surpass five million people by the end of 2019 and that it is the second biggest crisis of migrants and refugees in the world, after that caused by the war in Syria.**

The Secretary General of the OAS, Luis Almagro, said the Venezuelan crisis will continue to force people to leave the country. "With more than 3.4 million, Venezuelans are the second largest refugee population in the world, second only to Syria, which has been at war for 7 years. And the forecasts indicate that by the end of 2019 the exodus will reach 5.4 million people," he said.

The [report](#) also predicts that, if the situation does not change in Venezuela, by the year 2020 between 7.5 and 8.2 million Venezuelans could be part of the forced migration.

For his part, the Coordinator of the Working Group, David Smolansky, said the report highlights the limited international aid for Venezuelan migrants and refugees. "We appreciate the generosity of the international community, but that contribution today does not reach 200 million dollars, and comparing it with the Syrian crisis that has received more than 30 billion dollars or that of South Sudan that has received nearly 10 billion dollars, we believe that the contribution that has been given for Venezuelan migrants and refugees is low," he explained.

According to the report, \$ 5,000 per person is destined for Syrian refugees and for Venezuelans less than \$ 300 per person.

The report also offers updated figures on the number of Venezuelans in different countries of the region. In Colombia there are 1.2 million Venezuelans, in Peru 700,000, in Chile 265,000, in Ecuador 220,000, and in Argentina 130,000. It also highlights that the impact of the exodus in the Caribbean is high and that in Curaçao there are 26,000 Venezuelans who represent 15 percent of the population, and in Aruba there are 16,000 Venezuelans, which corresponds to 10 percent of the population.

The magnitude and speed of the migratory flow of Venezuelans -the report adds- has similarities with other episodes that have resulted in massive crises of migrants and refugees in the world, which have been caused by conflicts such as in Syria, Afghanistan, Somalia and South Sudan. "Independent

reports say that at least 1.3 million Venezuelan migrants and refugees suffer from nutrition problems," the report adds.

The preliminary report highlights that the humanitarian crisis, widespread violence, economic collapse, violation of human rights and social control are the main determinants in the forced migration of millions of Venezuelans.

The Working Group that prepared the report is composed of Smolansky, the co-coordinator and Secretary of Access to Rights and Equity of the OAS, Gastao Alves, and the independent experts Dany Bahar, James Hollifield, Francisca Vigaud-Walsh, and Cyntia Sampaio.

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Human Rights Council – Joint Statement on Saudi Arabia

STATEMENT UNDER AGENDA ITEM 2: INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE HIGH COMMISSIONER - 40TH SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

DELIVERED BY H.E. HARALD ASPELUND (ICELAND)

07 MARCH 2019

Mr. President,

I have the honor to read this statement on behalf of a number of States.

While acknowledging the spirit of modernization and reform embodied by the Saudi Vision 2030, we express significant concerns about reports of continuing arrests and arbitrary detentions of human rights defenders in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, including women's rights activists.

We are particularly concerned about the use of the counter-terrorism law and other national security provisions against individuals peacefully exercising their rights and freedoms. Human rights defenders and civil society groups can and should play a vital role in the process of reform which the Kingdom is pursuing.

We join the High Commissioner and Special Rapporteurs in their calls upon the Saudi authorities to release all individuals, including Loujain al-Hathloul, Eman al-Nafjan, Aziza al-Yousef, Nassima al-Sadah, Samar Badawi, Nouf Abdelaziz, Hatoon al-Fassi, Mohammed Al-Bajadi, Amal Al-Harbi and Shadan al-Anezi, detained for exercising their fundamental freedoms.

We condemn in the strongest possible terms the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, which Saudi Arabia has confirmed took place in its consulate in Istanbul. The circumstances of Mr. Khashoggi's death reaffirm the need to protect journalists and to uphold the right to freedom of expression around the world. Investigations into the killing must be prompt; effective and thorough; independent and impartial; and transparent. Those responsible must be held to account.

We call upon Saudi Arabia to disclose all information available and to fully cooperate with all investigations into the killing, including the human rights inquiry by the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions.

Finally, we call on Saudi Arabia to take meaningful steps to ensure that all members of the public, including human rights defenders and journalists, can freely and fully exercise their rights to freedoms of expression, opinion and association, including online, without fear of reprisals.

I thank you, Mr. President.

List of countries supporting the Joint Statement:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

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Global Health – Operational Reform

[WHO unveils sweeping reforms in drive towards “triple billion” targets](#)

6 March 2019 News Release Geneva

WHO today announced the most wide-ranging reforms in the Organization’s history to modernize and strengthen the institution to play its role more effectively and efficiently as the world’s leading authority on public health.

The changes are designed to support countries in achieving the ambitious “triple billion” targets that are at the heart of WHO’s strategic plan for the next five years: one billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage (UHC); one billion more people better protected from health emergencies; and one billion more people enjoying better health and well-being.

These changes include:

:: Aligning WHO’s processes and structures with the “triple billion” targets and the Sustainable Development Goals by adopting a new structure and operating model to align the work of headquarters, regional offices and country offices, and eliminate duplication and fragmentation.

:: Reinforcing WHO’s normative, standard-setting work, supported by a new Division of the Chief Scientist and improved career opportunities for scientists.

:: Harnessing the power of digital health and innovation by supporting countries to assess, integrate, regulate and maximize the opportunities of digital technologies and artificial intelligence, supported by a new Department of Digital Health.

:: Making WHO relevant in all countries by overhauling the Organization’s capabilities to engage in strategic policy dialogue. This work will be supported by a new Division of Data, Analytics and Delivery to significantly enhance the collection, storage, analysis and usage of data to drive policy change in countries. This division will also track and strengthen the delivery of WHO’s work by monitoring progress towards the “triple billion targets” and identifying roadblocks and solutions.

:: Investing in a dynamic and diverse workforce through new initiatives including the WHO Academy, a proposed state-of-the-art school to provide new learning opportunities for staff and public health

professionals globally. Other measures include a streamlined recruitment process to cut hiring time in half, management trainings, new opportunities for national professional officers, and previously-announced improvements in conditions for interns.

:: Strengthening WHO's work to support countries in preventing and mitigating the impact of outbreaks and other health crises by creating a new Division of Emergency Preparedness, as a complement to WHO's existing work on emergency response.

:: Reinforcing a corporate approach to resource mobilization aligned with strategic objectives and driving new fundraising initiatives to diversify WHO's funding base, reduce its reliance on a small number of large donors and strengthen its long-term financial stability.

"The changes we are announcing today are about so much more than new structures, they're about changing the DNA of the organization to deliver a measurable impact in the lives of the people we serve," said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. "Our vision remains the same as it was when we were founded in 1948: the highest attainable standard of health for all people. But the world has changed, which is why we have articulated a new mission statement for what the world needs us to do now: to promote health, keep the world safe and serve the vulnerable."

The new measures were developed following an extensive period of consultation with staff, and were developed jointly by WHO's Global Policy Group, which consists of the Director-General and each of the organization's six regional directors: Dr Matshidiso Moeti (Regional Director for Africa), Dr Carissa Etienne (Regional Director for the Americas), Dr Poonam Khetrpal Singh (Regional Director for South-East Asia), Dr Zsuzsanna Jakab (Regional Director for Europe), Dr Ahmed Al-Mandhari (Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean) and Dr Takeshi Kasai (Regional Director for the Western Pacific).

WHO's new corporate structure is based on four pillars which will be mirrored throughout the organization.

The Programmes pillar will support WHO's work on universal health coverage and healthier populations. The Emergencies pillar will be responsible for WHO's critical health security responsibilities, both in responding to health crises and helping countries prepare for them. The External Relations and Governance pillar will centralize and harmonize WHO's work on resource mobilization, communications. The Business Operations pillar will likewise ensure more professionalized delivery of key corporate functions such as budgeting, finance, human resources and supply chain.

The four pillars will be supplemented by the Division of the Chief Scientist at WHO Headquarters in Geneva to strengthen WHO's core scientific work and ensure the quality and consistency of WHO's norms and standards.

Underpinning the new structure, 11 business processes have been redesigned, including planning, resource mobilization, external and internal communications, recruitment, supply chain, performance management, norms and standards, research, data and technical cooperation.

The Global Policy Group stressed the role of working with partners. Dr Tedros said WHO must develop a new mindset to seek out and build partnerships that harness the combined strength of the global health community - both in the public and private sectors. One example of this is a new Global Action

Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-Being for All, under which 12 partner organizations are working together to achieve health-related Sustainable Development Goals.



Access to Information

[UNESCO pilots global data collection on access to information](#)

05 March 2019

UNESCO has kicked off global data collection on the implementation of access-to-information (ATI) laws in 43 countries, putting its monitoring and reporting instruments for SDG indicator 16.10.2 to the test.

As the custodian agency for indicator 16.10.2 on access to information, UNESCO is mandated to monitor and report on the “number of countries that adopt and implement constitutional, statutory and/or policy guarantees for public access to information”.

The data collected through the global exercise will be significant for UNESCO in mapping global progress towards ATI commitments.

For Member States, who are the primary duty-bearers with an obligation to monitor and report progress towards SDGs, the findings can help enrich their own national and global reporting, such as to national stakeholders and at the 2019 and subsequent United Nations High-level Political Forum (UN HLPF) on Sustainable Development Goals.

The 43 pilot countries selected for this global data collection are developing and least developed countries that will submit their Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) to the UN HLPF in July this year, in which Goal 16 will be under review.

These countries are Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Congo (Republic of the), Côte d'Ivoire, El Salvador, Eritrea, Eswatini (Swaziland), Fiji, Ghana, Guatemala, Guyana, Indonesia, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritania, Mauritius, Nauru, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Serbia, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, and United Republic of Tanzania.

Funded by [the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency \(Sida\)](#), the global data exercise is being carried out in collaboration with UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) and the Centre for Law and Democracy (CLD) using [UNESCO's set of reporting and monitoring instruments for indicator 16.10.2](#). UNESCO developed the instruments [in close consultations with experts, CSOs, concerned organizations and other UN agencies](#)



Liberty-Privacy

Facebook – [A Privacy-Focused Vision for Social Networking](#)

March 6, 2019

Today, Mark Zuckerberg outlined Facebook’s vision and principles around building a privacy-focused messaging and social networking platform:

- :: **Private interactions.** People should have simple, intimate places where they have clear control over who can communicate with them and confidence that no one else can access what they share.
- :: **Encryption.** People’s private communications should be secure. End-to-end encryption prevents anyone — including us — from seeing what people share on our services.
- :: **Reducing Permanence.** People should be comfortable being themselves, and should not have to worry about what they share coming back to hurt them later. So we won’t keep messages or stories around for longer than necessary to deliver the service or longer than people want them.
- :: **Safety.** People should expect that we will do everything we can to keep them safe on our services within the limits of what’s possible in an encrypted service.
- :: **Interoperability.** People should be able to use any of our apps to reach their friends, and they should be able to communicate across networks easily and securely.
- :: **Secure data storage.** People should expect that we won’t store sensitive data in countries with weak records on human rights like privacy and freedom of expression in order to protect data from being improperly accessed.

We’re committed to working openly and consulting with experts across society as we develop this. You can read [Mark’s full note](#)

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DR Congo – Ebola

[Ebola response failing to gain the upper hand on the epidemic](#) - MSF

Democratic Republic of Congo

Press Release 7 Mar 2019

:: Despite a rapid and large outbreak response with new vaccines and treatments, the signs are that Ebola is not under control

:: Since the beginning of the year, more than 40 per cent of new Ebola cases are people who died of Ebola in the communities

:: Patients and communities must be treated as partners in the response; we must listen to their needs not preach to or coerce them

Seven months into the largest-ever Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), the Ebola response is failing to bring the epidemic under control in a climate of deepening community mistrust, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) said at a [press conference in Geneva](#) today.

Since the beginning of the year, more than 40 per cent of new cases are people who died of Ebola in the communities. At the epicentre of the epidemic, in Katwa and Butembo in North Kivu province, 43 per cent of patients in the last three weeks were still being infected without known links to other cases.

“We have a striking contradiction: on the one hand a rapid and large outbreak response with new medical tools such as vaccines and treatments that show promising outcomes when people come early – and on the other hand, people with Ebola are dying in their communities, and do not trust the Ebola response enough to come forward,” said International President of MSF, Dr Joanne Liu.

Last week, MSF suspended our Ebola activities in Katwa and Butembo, in North Kivu province, after successive attacks on the two treatment centres. While MSF does not know the motives or identities of the attackers, these incidents follow an escalation of tensions around the Ebola response. Dozens of security incidents occurred against the response as a whole in the month of February alone. While the causes of these acts are not all the same, it is clear that various political, social and economic grievances are increasingly crystallising around the response.

A range of issues have led to these tensions: from the massive deployment of financial resources focusing only on Ebola, in a neglected region suffering from conflict, violence and long-standing health needs; to elections being officially postponed due to the Ebola outbreak, exacerbating suspicions that Ebola is a political ploy.

The use of police and armed forces to compel people to comply with health measures against Ebola is leading to further alienation of the community and is counterproductive to controlling the epidemic. Using coercion for activities such as safe burials, tracking of contacts and admission into treatment centres discourages people from coming forward and pushes them into hiding.

The Ebola response must take a new turn. Choices must be given back to patients and their families on how to manage the disease. Vaccination for Ebola must reach more people, and more vaccines are needed for this. Other dire health needs of communities should be addressed. And coercion must not be used as a tactic to track and treat patients, enforce safe burials or decontaminate homes.

“Ebola is a brutal disease, bringing fear, and isolation to patients, families and health care providers,” said Dr Joanne Liu. “The Ebola response needs to become patient and community centred. Patients must be treated as patients, and not as some kind of biothreat.”

Seven months since the beginning of the current Ebola outbreak in the provinces of North Kivu and Ituri, there have been 907 cases of Ebola cases (841 confirmed and 66 probable) and 569 people have died. [source: World Health Organization (WHO) report week 9]

Further to the suspension of its activities in Katwa and Butembo, MSF has maintained its Ebola-related activities in the North Kivu towns of Kayna and Lubéru, as well as its management of two Ebola transit facilities in Ituri province, in the towns of Bwanasura and Bunia. In the city of Goma, MSF has been supporting emergency preparedness by reinforcing the surveillance system and ensuring there is adequate capacity to manage suspected cases.

It has almost been six years, since 11 July 2013, that three MSF staff remain missing after being abducted in Kamango, Nord Kivu, where they were carrying out a health assessment. MSF continues to search for them.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 6 March 2019

:: On 26-27 February 2019, the Global Commission for Certification of the Eradication met at the World Health Organization in Geneva to continue its work on global certification criteria for wild poliovirus eradication and containment. The GCC reviewed all the latest global epidemiology and examined remaining challenges in the interruption of wild polio virus. Read more [here](#).

:: Featured on polioeradication.org: [Coffee with Polio Experts— Dr Nicksy Gumede-Moeletsi](#), senior virologist at WHO's Regional Office for Africa, talks about how genetic analysis of isolated polioviruses is helping strategically drive eradication efforts in Africa.

Summary of new viruses this week:

:: **Pakistan** – two WPV1-positive environmental samples;

:: **Nigeria** — one circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) case.

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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 9 Mar 2019]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

:: 31: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu 3 March 2019

:: DONS - Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo 7 March 2019

Syrian Arab Republic

:: Unexploded mines pose daily risk for people in northern Syria 6 March 2019

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis

:: Bi-weekly Situation Report 4 - 04 March 2019

Myanmar - *No new digest announcements identified*

Nigeria - *No new digest announcements identified*

Somalia - *No new digest announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 9 Mar 2019]

Libya

:: WHO responds to critical health needs in southern Libya

6 March 2019 – In response to increasing violence in Sabha City, southern Libya, the World Health Organization (WHO) has delivered trauma medicines sufficient for more than 400 patients requiring trauma care to Sabha Medical Centre, Murzuq General hospital and Ghodwa field hospital. WHO has also delivered 6 incubators and 2 ventilators to the neonatal intensive care unit of Sabha Medical Centre, and pre-positioned additional trauma medicines at the Medical Supply Office in Sabha to be delivered to health facilities as needed.

Clashes between armed groups in Sabha and Murzuq in February resulted in increasing numbers of injured patients, overwhelming health facilities already facing shortages of specialists and medical supplies. The total number of casualties is 250, which includes 44 dead and 206 wounded...

Brazil (in Portuguese) - *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*

MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*

Niger - *No new digest announcements identified*

occupied Palestinian territory - *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 9 Mar 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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WHO AFRO - Outbreaks and Emergencies Bulletin - Week 09/2019

Week 09: 25 February - 03 March 2019

The WHO Health Emergencies Programme is currently monitoring 59 events in the region. This week's edition covers key new and ongoing events, including:

:: Ebola virus disease in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

:: Measles in Madagascar

:: Lassa fever in Nigeria

- :: Humanitarian crisis in Nigeria
- :: Humanitarian crisis in South Sudan

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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.

Syrian Arab Republic - No new digest announcements identified

Yemen - 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 #4 | 17 February - 03 March 2019

HIGHLIGHTS

The Government of Ethiopia and humanitarian partners will formally launch the 2019 Ethiopia Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) on 7 March.

Some 90,000 displaced people in Amhara region need urgent assistance.

Improved security along the OromiaSomali border is enabling humanitarian partners to move relief commodities to Dawa zone after more than a year.

Somalia

:: Humanitarian Bulletin Somalia, 1 February - 5 March 2019

Highlights

- Dry conditions worsen across Somalia.
- Protecting livestock to save livelihoods.
- Access constraints continue.
- Redoubling efforts to End Polio Outbreaks.
- Sustained response through pooled funds.

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Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 9 Mar 2019]

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

6 March 2019

SG/SM/19484-OBV/1863-WOM/2168

[Secretary-General Urges 'Wholesale, Rapid, Radical Change' to Male-Defined Culture in Message for International Women's Day](#)

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[Michelle Bachelet on International Women's Day Geneva, 8 March 2019](#)

[UN Human Rights Office technical team to visit Venezuela](#)

[Guatemala: Bachelet concerned about possible approval of law restricting NGOs](#)

[Bachelet urges El Salvador's legislators to refrain from reinstating amnesty for serious human rights violations](#)

[Russia: Release human rights defender Oyub Titiev, urge UN experts](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 9 Mar 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR_COUNCIL_08/03/2019

[Human Rights Council continues the general debate on the promotion and protection of all human rights](#)

[Human Rights Council begins general debate on the promotion and protection of all human rights](#)

07/03/2019

[Human Rights Council continues interactive dialogue with High Commissioner for Human Rights on her annual report and oral update](#)

[Human Rights Council holds interactive dialogue with United Nations Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed](#)

06/03/2019

[Human Rights Council holds annual interactive debate on the rights of persons with disabilities](#)

[High Commissioner for Human Rights says that inequalities can erode United Nations' pillars but that human rights offer hope](#)

05/03/2019

[Human Rights Council begins interactive dialogue on the rights of persons with disabilities and of persons with albinism](#)

[Human Rights Council discusses violence against children and children in armed conflict](#)

[Prosecuting sexual and gender-based crimes in South Sudan challenging but is essential for peace](#)

[Human Rights Council holds clustered interactive dialogue on freedom of religion or belief and on the sale and sexual exploitation of children](#)

04/03/2019

[Human Rights Council concludes annual meeting on the rights of the child with a panel focusing on good practices in including children with disabilities in education settings](#)

[Human Rights Council holds clustered interactive dialogue on the environment and on adequate housing](#)

[Human Rights Council discusses empowering children with disabilities, including through inclusive education](#)

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

5 March 2019

[International Women's Day, 8 March 2019](#)

[International Women's Day - 8 March 2019 Women's menstrual health should no longer be a taboo](#)

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases [as presented on webpage]

07 March 2019

[The United Nations and Syrian Arab Red Crescent Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to 50,000 People in Menbij, Aleppo Governorate](#)

[The 2019 Ethiopia Humanitarian Response Plan Was Formally Launched Today](#)

[Persistent needs in Sahel, conflict driving massive displacement](#)

06 March 2019

[CERF allocates \\$500,000 for regional logistics base in Uganda for Ebola Readiness and Response](#)

05 March 2019

[Aid must be stepped up to meet unprecedented emergency in Burkina Faso](#)

[UN Emergency Fund allocates \\$4 million to boost response to Burkina Faso](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 9 Mar 2019]

<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>
Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements
No new digest content identified.

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Briefing notes

[**UNHCR opens reception centre near Colombian border to assist vulnerable Venezuelans**](#) 8 Mar 2019

[**Refugees protest conditions in Libyan detention as resettlement solutions falter**](#) 5 Mar 2019

Press releases and news comments

[**Asylum applications by Venezuelans soar to over 400,000**](#) 8 Mar 2019

[**Almost 100 civilian casualties each week in Yemen in 2018**](#) 7 Mar 2019

[**High Commissioner for Refugees visits Syria, assesses humanitarian needs**](#) 7 Mar 2019

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Announcements

[**Adidas, IOM Partner to Promote Responsible Recruitment, Fair Treatment of Migrant Workers in Garment and Footwear Industry**](#)

2019-03-08 15:17

Ho Chi Minh City – Global sportswear company adidas and IOM have launched a new project to eliminate unethical recruitment and exploitative labour practices.

[**Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 9,779 in 2019; Deaths Reach 229**](#)

2019-03-08 14:59

Geneva – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) reports that 9,779 migrants and refugees have entered Europe by sea through 6 March, a 13 per cent decrease from the 10,715 arriving during the same period last year.

UNAIDS [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

8 March 2019

[**Africa — Achieving health coverage without compromising on quality**](#)

8 March 2019

[**People living with HIV face major challenges in Zimbabwe**](#)

7 March 2019

[**Turning words into action for gender equality**](#)

WHO & Regional Offices [to 9 Mar 2019]

9 March 2019 *Statement*

WHO Director-General reiterates commitment to Ebola response despite another attack

Butembo, Democratic Republic

WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: Bilateral ties between WHO African Regional Secretariat and Republic of Congo gets a significant boost 08 March 2019

:: Dynamic staff and sparkling maternity complex deliver improved maternal health in South Sudan 07 March 2019

:: Mass measles vaccination campaign underway in response to outbreak in Mayom, South Sudan 06 March 2019

:: The Republic of Congo starts vaccinating 2.2 million children against Measles and Rubella 05 March 2019

:: Africa's first-ever mass typhoid fever vaccination campaign ends in Zimbabwe 04 March 2019

:: WHO remains mobilized against Lassa fever cases as number of cases go down in affected areas 04 March 2019

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: International Women's Day: Access to health for migrant women remains a challenge in the Americas (03/08/2019)

:: Half of all deaths of young people in the Americas can be prevented (03/05/2019)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

- *No new digest announcements identified.*

WHO European Region EURO

:: National policy experts call for bold action for healthy ageing in the Region 08-03-2019

:: Zsuzsanna Jakab appointed WHO Deputy Director-General 07-03-2019

:: WHO studies reveal Kazakhstan has among the highest levels of salt intake globally 07-03-2019

:: International Women's Day: women in health innovating for change 07-03-2019

:: Romanian EU Presidency aims to strengthen Europe's One Health approach to fighting antimicrobial resistance 06-03-2019

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Women on the frontlines of polio eradication 7 March 2019

:: Unexploded mines pose daily risk for people in northern Syria 6 March 2019

WHO Western Pacific Region

- *No new digest announcements identified.*

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 9 Mar 2019]

<http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2019/>
No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.unfpa.org/press/press-release>
No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/presscenter.html>
Selected Press Releases/Announcements
[International Women's Day](#)
Theme: 'Think Equal, Build Smart, Innovate for Change'
Posted on March 4, 2019

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/>
Latest News
No new digest content identified.

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://unsdsn.org/news/>
No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm>
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm>
<http://unstats.un.org/sdqs/>
Latest News

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

The ninth meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs), will be held from 25 to 28 March 2019 in Beirut, Lebanon. The meeting will be hosted by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 9 Mar 2019]
<https://www.unenvironment.org/>
No new digest content identified.

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.unisdr.org/archive>
No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

8 March 2019, New York

Women's empowerment 'essential to global progress'

Women's empowerment and gender equality are "essential to global progress", United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres stressed in his message for International Women's Day which this year puts "innovation by women and girls, for women and girls", at the heart of efforts to achieve gender equality.

"Last year, for the first time, we achieved gender parity in the UN's Senior Management Group and among those who lead UN teams around the world", the UN chief said, adding that the Organization is "working to achieve parity across the whole United Nations system within a decade."

The UN began celebrating the International Day in 1975, which was designated International Women's Year. Over the decades it has morphed from recognizing the achievements of women to becoming a rallying point to build support for women's rights and participation, in the political and economic arenas...

4 March 2019, New York

'Huge data gaps' hampering 'evidence-based' national migration policies

There are still "huge gaps at country level," to be overcome in order to develop an effective global migration data programme, said the head of the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch of UN Statistics, on Monday.

Francesca Grum was addressing a key meeting at UN Headquarters in New York, convened in response to the UN's Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, the first-ever global migration pact, which was adopted by more than 160 governments in December 2018. The agreement aims to ensure that the overall benefits of migration are optimized, whilst addressing risks and challenges, for individuals and communities in countries of origin, transit and destination.

The First Objective of the Compact calls for the collection and utilization of "accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies"; commits signatory countries to strengthen the "global evidence base on international migration" under the guidance of the UN; and calls for a "comprehensive strategy for improving migration data at local, national, regional and global levels."

Ms. Grum told the meeting that countries frequently ask UN Statistics for more information and requests on how to improve migration data – including information relating to the root causes and drivers of migration – and its impact on migrants' origin, transit and destination countries. Better data is needed in order to bring about sustainable social and economic development, and national migrant data strategies are needed to inform good policies...

UNESCO [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

06 March 2019

Participants at Global UNESCO Conference on Artificial Intelligence urge rights-based governance of AI

A clear consensus emerged on the need to ensure a human-centred governance of artificial intelligence (AI) during UNESCO's Principles for AI: Towards a Humanistic Approach? Global Conference on 4 March at the Organization's Headquarters.

05 March 2019

UNESCO pilots global data collection on access to information

[See Week in Review above for detail]

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 9 Mar 2019]

<https://www.icomos.org/en/>

Written on 19 February 2019.

ALIPH Foundation - Call for projects

Created in March 2017 as a response to the destruction of cultural heritage during recent conflicts, either intentional or collateral, in sites like Timbuktu, Mosul, Nimrud, Palmyra, or Aleppo, the ALIPH Foundation (International Alliance for the protection of Heritage in Conflict Areas) now brings together several countries: France, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Morocco, China, and Switzerland, along with key civil society figures and institutions to finance preventive measures, emergency interventions and concrete post-conflict rehabilitation projects, all around the world. ALIPH now launches its first Call for Projects with the ambition of protecting cultural heritage in conflict areas.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

05/02/2019 –

UNODC Executive Director welcomes Security Council debate on growing threat of transnational maritime crime

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Posted February 28, 2019

UN-Habitat focuses on need to integrate migrants in cities during discussions on implementation of Global Compact for Migration

UN Headquarters, New York, Feb 26-28, 2019 – UN-Habitat has stressed the importance of local governments for integrating migrants and enhancing their access to housing, services and employment during a series of event on the implementation of...

Posted March 7, 2019

UN-Habitat unveils new Chinese partnership to explore the use of artificial intelligence in cities

BEIJING February 2019 –UN-Habitat is joining forces with Chinese partners to promote a dialogue on how artificial intelligence can ensure the efficient use of resources and better productivity in cities UN-Habitat will work with The China Academy of...

Posted March 5, 2019

Argentina adopts its first-ever National Urban Policy

In 2017, the newly elected Government of Argentina requested support from UN-Habitat to develop a policy to support balanced regional development of its large territory, and foster inclusive development of its cities. With 91 per cent of...

Posted March 4, 2019

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/>
No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/lang--en/index.htm>
International Women's Day

[Work-related gender gaps persist but solutions are clear – new ILO report](#)

07 March 2019

Work-related gender gaps have not seen any meaningful improvement for 20 years, but a new ILO report says that the path to progress is clear.

Peace and development

[A new ILO-Japan project to ensure water, jobs and peace in Mindanao, Philippines](#)

04 March 2019

The International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Government of Japan have signed a new partnership to provide jobs and promote peace through improved water supply and sanitation services in post-conflict areas in the Philippines.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.icao.int/>
No new digest content identified.

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx>
No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]
<https://public.wmo.int/en/media/press-release>
Publish Date: 5 March 2019

[AMCOMET calls for greater investment in Africa to improve weather and climate services](#)

The African Ministerial Conference on Meteorology (AMCOMET) has issued a call for greater investment by national governments and development partners, in weather, climate and water services in order to promote sustainable development, cope with climate change and protect life and property on the continent.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://news.upu.int/>
08.03.2019

[Women in the Post: an interview with Jasminka Krivokuca](#)

In celebration of International Women's Day, UPU News contacted Pošte Srpske CEO Jasminka Krivokuca for her perspective on gender balance in the postal sector.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

7 March 2019

[How men can play an active role in promoting gender equality and women's empowerment](#)

VIENNA, 7 March 2019 – International Gender Champions and Heads of the Vienna-based United Nations organizations have discussed how men can play an active role in promoting gender equality.

[Making it circular: the role of industries in circular cities](#)

NEW YORK CITY, 5 March 2019 – The United Nations Industrial Development Organization, together with the Permanent Missions of Austria, Ecuador, Slovenia, the Ellen MacArthur Foundation and UNDESA, has organized an event, "Making it Circular: The Role of Industries in Circular Cities". The event took place at United Nations Headquarters in New York City, and was organized as a part of Circular City Week New York.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

By Elizabeth Gasiorowski-Denis on 7 March 2019

[A better picture: International Standard gives photography a new exposure](#)

... ISO 12232:2019, Photography – Digital still cameras – Determination of exposure index, ISO speed ratings, standard output sensitivity, and recommended exposure index, helps to ensure just that. ISO 12232 was developed by industry experts from a large number of international companies in the photographic industry, including Apple, Canon, Google, Nikon, Olympus and Sony.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

7 March 2019

[Google partners with UNWTO on Digital Skills Development](#)

Fostering knowledge, education and growth in tourism, is at the centre of a partnership announced today between Google and the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). Google will support UNWTO members in addressing the new digital trends and transformation challenges faced by tourism and needed by the sector, to fully harness its development potential and contribution to sustainability.

[Overtourism? New UNWTO Report Offers Case Studies to Tackle Challenges](#)

Madrid, Spain, 6 March 2019 – The World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) released today the report 'Overtourism? Understanding and Managing Urban Tourism Growth Beyond Perceptions: Case Studies', choosing ITB Berlin as the fitting backdrop to address a pressing topic before the global tourism sector. The report provides examples of specific measures being implemented in cities across the Americas, Asia and the Pacific and Europe.

[UNWTO Secretary-General Opens ITB Berlin 2019: Tourism Offers Resilience in Uncertain Times](#)

Madrid, Spain, 5 March 2019 – Tourism's coming of age puts the sector in a position of global responsibility to face up to challenges ranging from climate change to social inclusion. Furthermore, tourism's growth unlike almost any other economic sector offers the economic and social resilience

needed in times of uncertainty. This was the central message delivered by Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary-of the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), during the opening ceremony of ITB 2019 in Berlin, the leading travel trade show of the world.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 8, 2019

[Statement by USAID Administrator Mark Green on International Women's Day](#)

Today, on International Women's Day, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) celebrates more than 50 years of promoting equality and empowerment for women. Our investments in women are vital to our mission of promoting self-reliance and resilience among our partner countries, as well as to the goals of worldwide stability and prosperity we all share. As the President's 2017 National Security Strategy notes, "Societies that empower women to participate fully in civic and economic life are more prosperous and peaceful."

[U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green's Opening Remarks to the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues](#)

March 7, 2019

U.S.-Venezuela Relations and the Path to a Democratic Transition

We'll continue to support Interim President Guaidó's effort to deliver aid to his people in Venezuela, and we will continue to support Colombia and others that are hosting Venezuelans who have fled. We all recognize that humanitarian assistance, however badly it is needed, is treatment not cure. It cannot address the root cause of the problem. So long as Maduro and his cronies continue to crush the people, their economy and their hope, this crisis will worsen. They deserve a return to democracy, rule of law, and citizen-responsive governance.

[USAID Administrator Mark Green's Meeting With International Organization For Migration Director-General António Vitorino](#)

March 6, 2019

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Administrator Mark Green met with António Vitorino, Director-General of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to discuss the critical partnership between USAID and IOM. Administrator Green underscored USAID's commitment to supporting life-saving humanitarian assistance in some of the most complex and dangerous circumstances around the globe. The two reflected on how to promote coordinated and efficient

delivery of assistance. Administrator Green and Director-General Vitorino also expressed the importance of addressing sexual exploitation and abuse in the humanitarian sector.

[USAID Administrator Green meets with Venezuelan Ambassador Vecchio](#)

March 6, 2019

Readout

Yesterday, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Administrator Mark Green met with The Honorable Carlos Vecchio, the Ambassador of Venezuela to the United States. Administrator Green underscored the continuing resolve of the United States to help relieve the man-made suffering inside Venezuela. Administrator Green and Ambassador Vecchio discussed plans for positioning more relief supplies to meet urgent needs in Venezuela and next steps to take now that Interim President Juan Guaidó has returned to Caracas. Further, Administrator Green applauded the people of Venezuela for their courageous actions to restore peace and democracy to their country.

[United States Announces Additional Humanitarian Assistance for Rohingya Refugees](#)

March 5, 2019

This additional assistance complements ongoing U.S.-funded humanitarian aid activities, such as food, water, nutrition, sanitation, emergency health care, psychosocial support, protection, shelter, and education for refugees in Bangladesh and affected populations within Burma. U.S. funding also supports Bangladeshi host communities affected by this crisis.

DFID [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases

[UK aid pledges "vital lifeline" for Syrians](#)

9 March 2019 DFID Press release

[UK aid to give clean energy boost to Africa](#)

7 March 2019 DFID Press release

[Penny Mordaunt launches new funds to tackle period poverty globally](#)

4 March 2019 DFID and GEO Press release

:: Penny Mordaunt leads new government campaign to end period poverty globally by 2030

:: New UK aid support for projects tackling period poverty and stigma globally

:: New expert joint taskforce of government, business and charities, supported by £250,000 to develop new ideas to tackle period poverty in the UK

ECHO [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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March 06, 2019 to March 08, 2019

[African Union Continental Consultation on Combatting Online Child Sexual Exploitation](#)

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

8 March 2019

[ASEAN intensifies efforts in promoting and protecting the rights of women and children](#)

JAKARTA,– ASEAN continues promoting the welfare and protect the rights of women and children collectively as representatives convened for the 18th ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) Meeting at the ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta on 4 March. At the meeting, the ACWC [...]

[ASEAN develops roadmap for farmer cooperatives development](#)

BANGKOK, 4 March 2019 - The ASEAN Farmers' Organisation Support Program (AFOSP) organised a workshop on ASEAN Roadmap for Enhancing the Role of Agriculture Cooperatives in the Global Value Chain 2018-2025 in Bangkok on 28 February. The workshop aimed to translate the roadmap into a work plan that can harmonise the national cooperatives development which [...]

European Commission [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

07/03/2019

[International Women's Day 2019: more equality, but change is too slow](#)

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 7 March 2019 On the occasion of this year's International Women's Day, the Commission has published its 2019 report on equality between women and men in the EU. The good news is that Europe is making progress; however, we must speed up change.

[The European Agenda on Migration: EU needs to sustain progress made over the past 4 years](#)

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 6 March 2019 Ahead of the March European Council, the Commission is today taking stock of progress made over the past 4 years and setting out the measures still required to address immediate and future migration challenges.

OECD [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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8-March-2019

[Progress on gender equality is too slow, says OECD on International Women's Day](#)

Governments around the world are paying more attention to gender equality but progress is too slow and uneven, and much remains to be done to increase women's rights, opportunities and participation in public life and senior jobs, according to the OECD.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 9, 2019

[Joint Statement by the Government of Nicaragua and the OAS General Secretariat](#)

March 8, 2019

[OAS Report on Venezuelan Migrants and Refugees: "An Unprecedented Crisis in the Region"](#)

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

07/03/2019

[On the Occasion of International Women's Day: The OIC Calls for Lifting Barriers to Women Empowerment and for Providing Them with More Opportunities](#)

In commemoration of the International Women's Day on 8 March every year, the Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Dr. Yousef A. Al-Othaimeen, affirmed that supporting the role of women in the development of society, highlighting their contributions in various fields and advancing their status, in light of the difficulties and challenges they face in obtaining their rights guaranteed by the regulations, are among the priorities of the OIC. ...

[OIC-EU Parliament Discuss the Illegality of the Israeli Settlements](#)

The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the European Parliament jointly organized at the latter's headquarters in Brussels on 6th March 2019 a Symposium on 'The Expansion of the Israeli Settlements in the Palestinian Occupied Territory, Particularly in East Jerusalem'....

07/03/2019

Group of 77 [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

[Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ms. Nadya Rasheed, First Counsellor, of the State of Palestine to the United Nations at the informal consultations in preparation of the upcoming ECOSOC humanitarian affairs segment \(New York, 8 March 2019\)](#)

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UNCTAD [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Latest News

08 March 2019

[Japan continues to support the WCO counter-terrorism initiative for South East Asia](#)

08 March 2019

[The global Customs community celebrates International Women's Day 2019](#)

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

8 March 2019 *Speech*

["Gender issues are central to who we are," says DG Azevêdo on Women's Day](#)

At an event at the WTO celebrating International Women's Day on 8 March 2019, Director-General Roberto Azevêdo reviewed the organization's current work in trade and gender, and talked about future work and initiatives. "Gender issues are central to who we are as an organization," he said in opening the event. Here are his remarks.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

5 March 2019

[New IPU report shows well-designed quotas lead to significantly more women MPs](#)

According to the [IPU's yearly analysis](#), the share of women in national parliaments increased by nearly one percentage point last year, from 23.4 per cent in 2017 to 24.3 per cent in 2018. This 0.9 percentage point increase confirms the continuing rise of women in parliament, at a slightly faster rate of change compared to previous years. Countries with well-designed gender quotas elected significantly more women to parliament than those without, respectively, 7 points more in single or lower chambers, and 17 points more in upper chambers.

International Court of Justice [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 9 Mar 2019]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

Press Release : 8 March 2019

[On International Women's Day, the ICC joins calls for greater equality](#)

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World Bank [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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[World Bank Bond Highlights Importance of Investing in Women through Agriculture](#)

Washington, D.C, March 8, 2018—In commemoration of International Women’s Day, the World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, IBRD rated Aaa/AAA) today priced a Sustainable Development...

Date: March 08, 2019 Type: Press Release

Evaluating the Potential of Container-Based Sanitation

The World Bank Water Global Practice (WGP) has developed an approach to urban sanitation based on citywide inclusive sanitation (CWIS) principles, which have been developed in conjunction with sector partners...

Date: March 07, 2019 Type: Publication

New Program to Accelerate Expansion of Offshore Wind Power in Developing Countries

WASHINGTON, March 6, 2019 – The World Bank Group announced today a new program to fast-track the adoption of offshore wind energy in developing countries. The World Bank and IFC will help emerging markets...

Date: March 06, 2019 Type: Press Release

Culture Is Key to "Building Cities Back Better"

World Bank - UNESCO "Culture in City Reconstruction and Recovery (CURE)" Guide WASHINGTON, March 4, 2019—The World Bank and UNESCO highlighted the essential role of culture in planning and funding projects...

Date: March 03, 2019 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank Group [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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

International Women’s Day 2019: African Development Bank kicks off month-long celebration with women’s entrepreneurship awards

08/03/2019 - "Think equal, build smart, innovate for change, " is the global theme of this year’s International Women’s Day. As one of its core priorities, the African Development Bank is promoting women’s entrepreneurship and innovation across the continent.

The African Development Bank calls for strong responses to migration at the 3rd Africa Resilience Forum

04/03/2019 - "I can attest that migration enriches our lives while allowing us to learn and contribute." On Monday 4 March, the Bank’s Senior Vice-President Charles Boamah opened the third annual Africa Resilience Forum (ARF), by detailing the benefits that safe, controlled migration bring to countries of origin, transit and destination.

Asian Development Bank [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

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

8 Mar 2019

[ADB Marks International Women's Day, Vows to Push for More Gender Equality in Projects, Workplace](#)

ADB celebrated International Women's Day, led by ADB Vice-President for Administration and Corporate Management Ms. Deborah Stokes and UN Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Board on Mediation member Ms. Noeleen Heyzer.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

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[IFAD launches global campaign to close gender gap in agriculture and amplify the voices of rural women](#)

04 MAR 19

[Sierra Leone and IFAD to boost food security and incomes in rural areas](#)

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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 9 Mar 2019]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

[15th Annual Conference of Vision 2020 - The Right to Sight - India, "Achieving Universal Eye Health for Everyone & Everywhere"](#)

8 & 9 June 2019, Aravind Eye Hospital - Chennai

BRAC [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest

March 08, 2019

[Gender diversity: Not just good, it's good business](#)

March 05, 2019

[Highlights from Day 2 of Frugal Innovation Forum](#)

March 04, 2019

[Scale frugal: Highlights from Day 1 of Frugal Innovation Forum 2019](#)

CARE International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 8, 2019

[Greater Victoria B.C. Canada Welcomes Connections Place, their First Clubhouse](#)

Danish Refugee Council [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

News & Updates

[This International Women's Day, the sexual exploitation of children shows how power still rests in the hands of men](#)

08/03/2019

Fountain House [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Posted: 07 March 2019

[NGOs call for universal pensions as key to women's rights and development](#)

As member states and NGOs gather at the UN in New York for the 63rd session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), HelpAge International and its partners are calling for universal social protection for vulnerable older women.

ICRC [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[Oman: ICRC trains surgeons and health professionals on war surgery](#)

The ICRC is running its annual war surgery course in Muscat, to train Omani surgeons and health professionals on the management of war wounded patients.

07-03-2019 | News release

[Nigeria: Judges, staff of ECOWAS Community Court of Justice focus on international humanitarian law in two-day workshop](#)

Judges and staff of the Community Court of Justice, ECOWAS will on Wednesday, 6th March 2019 begin a two-day training workshop on International Humanitarian Law (IHL).

06-03-2019 | News release

[Operational update on Syria: 6,500 meals a day; helping vulnerable unaccompanied children](#)

An update from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) on the situation in the Al Hol camp for displaced people in north-eastern Syria:

04-03-2019 | News release

IFRC [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Press Releases

Asia Pacific, Philippines

[Philippines: Deadly measles outbreak claiming lives of children under five](#)

Manila/Kuala Lumpur/Geneva, 7 March 2019 – Children in the Philippines are at serious risk of a deadly measles outbreak that has already claimed the lives of 261 people, most of whom are youngsters under age five, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) warned today.

7 March 2019

Europe

[Ukraine: Red Cross deployed to help contain largest measles outbreak in Europe in four years](#)

Budapest/Geneva, 5 March 2019 – Ukrainian Red Cross Society volunteers are being deployed to help contain a measles outbreak that has affected more than 75,000 people, making it the largest outbreak in Europe since 2015. This includes 54,000 measles c ...

5 March 2019

Europe, Ukraine

[Ukraine: Red Cross deployed to help contain largest measles outbreak in Europe in four years](#)

Ukrainian Red Cross Society volunteers are being deployed to help contain a measles outbreak that has affected more than 75,000 people, making it the largest outbreak in Europe since 2015. This includes 54,000 measles cases reported in 2018, and more than 21,000 cases registered thus far in 2019.

5 March 2019

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Perspective

[IRC Statement on U.S. Administration's decision on South Sudan's Temporary Protected Status](#)

March 8, 2019

Press Release

[Al Hol camp at 'breaking point' as another 12,000 women and children arrive in just 48 hours](#)

March 8, 2019

Press Release

[Game of Thrones' Lena Headey calls on EU leaders for action in face of mental health crisis facing refugees in Lesbos](#)

March 7, 2019

Press Release

[Ahead of International Women's Day, International Rescue Committee violence experts reveal five most dangerous places to be a girl right now](#)

March 6, 2019

IRCT [to 9 Mar 2019]

<https://irct.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest News

Global

[Women's Day: Pushing to achieve 'balance for better'](#)

Published: 8 March, 2019

Gender Justice

[Islamic Relief at CSW 2019](#)

Published: 6 March, 2019

Nepal

[Post-quake recovery project helps Nepal villages](#)

Published: 6 March, 2019

Landsea [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected News; Project Updates, Reports [as presented on website]

Democratic Republic of Congo

[Ebola response failing to gain the upper hand on the epidemic](#)

Press Release 7 Mar 2019

[See DRC Ebola above for detail]

Women's health

[Unsafe abortion: a forgotten emergency](#)

Project Update 4 Mar 2019

Mercy Corps [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Press Releases

[United States: Mercy Corps Urges Congress To Pass The Bipartisan Global Fragility Act](#)

March 8, 2019

Yesterday a bipartisan group of leaders in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate took bold action to address alarming levels of global violence and the world's largest displacement crisis in history by reintroducing the Global Fragility Act.

[Yemen: Statement By Mercy Corps At The United States House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee On The Middle East, North Africa and International Terrorism](#)

March 6, 2019

Operation Smile [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected News/Announcements

[Notorious tax havens to be let off the hook in EU's blacklist review](#)

6 March 2019

EU finance ministers look set to whitewash nine of the world's worst tax havens when they update the EU tax haven blacklist next week, says Oxfam.

[Oxfam urges Honduran Government to protect rights and autonomy of indigenous people](#)

5 March 2019

Three years after the murder of Honduran rights activist Berta Caceres for her leadership in the campaign against the Agua Zarca hydroelectric project, indigenous people are still being excluded from any consultative process in the extractives industry.

[IACHR and Oxfam Sign Agreement for Cooperation in Latin American and Caribbean Human Rights Crises](#)

4 March 2019

The deal was signed in a context of shrinking spaces for the exercise of human rights and civil society participation in the region.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest news from NRC

Tanzania / 07. Mar 2019

[Tanzania crisis ignored: "You people should look at us"](#)

In Tanzania, a peaceful country hosting 335,000 refugees, the lack of funding is so dire that aid agencies are struggling to meet even the most basic needs. NRC needs all the support we can get to make a difference.

Afghanistan | 05. Mar 2019

[Deadly flooding displaces thousands in Afghanistan](#)

More than 32 people have been killed and thousands of people are displaced as homes and buildings have been swept away by flooding across Afghanistan.

Pact [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

News

Mar 06, 2019

[In Mexico, A Traditional Midwife and Teenage Mom Share Special Bond](#)

Margarita Perez Jimenez and Martha Domínguez López can both say their lives changed at the age of 14. They met in 2017, when Jimenez delivered the teen mother's daughter at Casa Materna, the PIH-supported maternal health center in Chiapas, Mexico.

Mar 04, 2019

[Blessings Henry, Neno's Feminist Future Doctor](#)

With support from PIH and a community of remarkable women, 17-year-old Blessings Henry is eyeing medical school as she finishes the last year of her secondary education in Neno, Malawi.

PATH [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 9 Mar 2019]

<https://www.savethechildren.net/news>
No new digest content identified.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

All News

International Women's Day

[Ensuring that 'no child is held back due to gender'](#)

08.03.2019 - Gitta Trauernicht, Vice President of SOS Children's Villages International, shares her thoughts on empowering women and girls.

Tostan [to 9 Mar 2019]

<http://www.tostan.org>

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 9 Mar 2019]

<http://wvi.org/>

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

Press Releases

[US Act Would Address Corruption in Guatemala](#)

March 8, 2019

Freedom House welcomes the introduction of the Guatemala Rule of Law Accountability Act to fight corruption in Guatemala.

[Leaked Documents Reveal United States Customs and Border Protection Kept Troubling Surveillance](#)

March 7, 2019

New investigations reveal the US government kept a secret database of journalists, advocates, and human rights lawyers tied to the migrant caravan approaching the US-Mexico border.

Human Rights Watch [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest News [selected]

March 9, 2019 News Release

[Myanmar: Halt Land Law Implementation](#)

March 8, 2019 News Release

[Indonesia: Prison for WhatsApp Messages](#)

March 8, 2019 News Release

[Egypt: Trans Activist Risks Serious Abuse](#)

March 8, 2019 News Release

[US: Offer Venezuelans in US Temporary Protection](#)

March 7, 2019 News Release

[EU: Renewed Impetus for International Justice](#)

March 7, 2019 News Release

[South Korea: Military 'Sodomy' Law Violates Rights](#)

March 7, 2019 News Release

[Iran: Serious Rights Violator to Lead Judiciary](#)

March 7, 2019 News Release

[UN: A Call to Free Saudi Women Activists](#)

Transparency International [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

7 Mar 2019

[Slovenian government agency challenged over suspicious razor wire contract](#)

- Transparency International's chapter in Slovenia is asking authorities look into a controversial government contract from 2015. Information relating to the contract had been kept secret from the public until last month.

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Bond [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

7 March 2019

Gender mainstreaming: moving from rhetoric to reality

Gabriella Pinto

Recommendations for mainstreaming gender at organisational and programme level.

Facing uncomfortable truths to make your workplace more equal

5 March 2019

Frances Longley

Many of us will need to give some things up if we are to achieve equality in the workplace.

10 actions to protect aid's integrity and transform development cooperation

4 March 2019

Lyn Angelica Pano

The Reality of Aid Network puts forward a ten-point action agenda for retooling ODA to support positive collaboration.

ChildFund Alliance [to 9 Mar 2019]

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

News Friday, 8 March, 2019

The women creating a freer, fairer world

Graça Machel

On International Women's Day we celebrate eleven ideas for a freer, fairer world created by women, for women. These brave women and organisations fight for a world with equal rights and opportunities for women and girls.

Each of these organisations is breaking down barriers and sparking hope for women in the communities where they live. A long-committed fighter for women's liberation, Graça Machel, presented these ideas and the Sparks of Hope to world leaders at the UN General Assembly in September 2018....

Evidence Aid [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest News

[Gavi signs new cooperation agreement with Japan International Cooperation Agency](#)

05 March 2019

Global Fund [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 9 Mar 2019]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources

[UNHCR 74th SCOM March 2019: NGO Statement on the GCR and Global Refugee Forum](#)

March, 2019

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Education Cannot Wait 5 March 2019

[Theirworld Announces \\$2.85 million contribution to Education Cannot Wait](#)

5 March 2019, New York – The global charity Theirworld announced today a new US\$2.85 million (2.52 million euros) contribution to Education Cannot Wait to support the rapid deployment of education assistance to refugee, displaced and vulnerable children caught in some of the world's worst humanitarian crises.

This contribution was made possible through a US\$3.57 million (3.15 million euros) grant from the Dutch Postcode Lottery to Theirworld for the global charity to support education in emergencies which was announced at the annual Goed Geld Gala in Amsterdam on Monday. Theirworld will direct US\$2.85 million (2.52 million euros) of this generous grant to be delivered in partnership with Education Cannot Wait, launching a unique public-private partnership between the lottery, and Education Cannot Wait. As part of the new partnership, Theirworld's Safe Schools Framework will provide guidance on how investments in safe schools and learning environments can be made more effective...

InterAction [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Challenges to Civil Society

Baltimore's Lutheran World Relief merging with global health group, broadening reach in impoverished nations

Mar 8, 2019

Baltimore-based Lutheran World Relief is merging with a global health organization to broaden its reach in the impoverished nations it serves from Latin America to Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Daniel V. Speckhard, a former U.S. ambassador who's led Lutheran World Relief since 2014 and will lead the partnership, said together the organizations can help build and grow poor, rural communities by teaching the people in them how to feed and support their families — and how to become healthier.

The merger between Lutheran World Relief and Washington-based IMA World Health is effective this month, forming a \$140 million operation with 550 employees. The headquarters will remain in Baltimore at 700 Light Street, but some operations will continue in D.C...

Start Network [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Blog Post

Paving the way for change

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Blog Post

International Women's Day

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Blog Post

From the ground: A rapid response for migrants in Morocco

08Mar19

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Date published: 06 Mar 2019

Making humanitarian response more flexible and adaptable: Exploring new models and approaches

Obrecht, A. (Guest editor)

This issue of Southasiadisasters.net highlights new approaches that can be taken by humanitarian organisations to effectively respond to the humanitarian challenges of the 21st century. Some of the important themes discussed in this special issue include adaptive programming by humanitarian organisations, context specific humanitarian interventions and culturally sensitive approaches to humanitarian action.

CHS Alliance [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news/>
No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://devinit.org/news/>
No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.elrha.org/resource-hub/news/>
No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 9 Mar 2019]
<https://www.urd.org/?lang=en>
Event

[Security-Development Workshop, 1 April 2019, Paris](#)

For about fifteen years now, there has been a certain consensus among policy-makers about the need to link security and development. Yet, given the diversity of the actors involved, how exactly this should be done remains to be established. Based on a study that began in 2018, Groupe URD is facilitating a workshop to discuss possible ways forward on this issue.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 9 Mar 2019]
<https://ihsa.info/>
No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 9 Mar 2019]
<http://www.sphereproject.org/news/>
News
No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 9 Mar 2019]
<https://phap.org/>
Latest News
No new digest content identified.

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Brookings
<http://www.brookings.edu/>
Accessed 9 Mar 2019
Latest Research
Energy Industry

Coal in India

Rahul Tongia and Samantha Gross
Friday, March 8, 2019

Technology & Innovation

Breaking down proposals for privacy legislation: How do they regulate?

Cameron F. Kerry
Friday, March 8, 2019

India

Difficult Dialogues: A compendium of contemporary essays on gender inequality in India

Shamika Ravi
Friday, March 8, 2019

116th U.S. Congress

How the House should investigate the Trump administration

Paul C. Light
Friday, March 8, 2019

Brookings Papers on Economic Activity

On the economics of a carbon tax for the United States

Gilbert E. Metcalf
Thursday, March 7, 2019

Center for Global Development [to 9 Mar 2019]

<http://www.cgdev.org/page/press-center>
March 7, 2019

The Principles on Commercial Transparency in Public Contracts

Every year, governments worldwide sign contracts worth trillions of dollars. They buy textbooks and fighter planes, hire consultants, commission firms to run railways and build bridges, take out loans and give guarantees, grant mining concessions, and issue licenses to use the public airwaves. Each time, legal documents specify who will pay how much to whom for what. The Working Group on Commercial Transparency in Public Contracts

CSIS [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ODI [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

STATEMENT: ODI response to the International Development Committee's report on forced displacement in Africa

Press release | 5 March 2019

The International Development Committee has today published its report into forced displacement in Africa

[Achieving social protection for all adolescents: how can a gender norms lens support more effective programming?](#)

Briefing papers | March 2019 | Nicola Jones and Elizabeth Presler-Marshall

Outlining the key actions that are critical to achieving gender- and adolescent-responsive social protection programmes.

[Leave no one behind: shining a spotlight on adolescent Congolese refugees in Rwanda](#)

Briefing papers | March 2019 | Roberte Isimbi with Nicola Jones, Elizabeth Presler-Marshall and Marie Merci Mwali

Findings and policy recommendations on young adolescent refugees' access to education and learning, and their bodily integrity and freedom from violence.

[Gender equality and women and girls' empowerment: our approach and priorities](#)

Toolkits | March 2019 | Sara Pantuliano, Caroline Harper, Nicola Jones, Pilar Domingo, Rachel Marcus, Fiona Samuels, Abigail Hunt, Rachel George, Maria Stavropoulou, Rebecca Holmes, Josephine Tsui, Muriel Kahane and Katy Harris

This booklet outlines the approach, aims and priority areas of ODI's work on gender equality and women and girls' empowerment.

[The impact of displacement on gender roles and relations: the case of IDPs from FATA, Pakistan](#)

Research reports and studies | March 2019 | Simon Levine with Zaki Ullah, Saeed Ullah Khan, Mushtaq Ahmad, Shazia Ghulam, Rahat Iqbal and Saeed Uddin

Tracing the ways in which displacement presented an opportunity for change in the lives of Afridi women and girls.

[Dignity in displacement: case studies from Afghanistan, Colombia, the Philippines and South Sudan](#)

Working and discussion papers | March 2019 | Kerrie Holloway

Exploring how dignity is perceived by displaced people in four different contexts, and whether it is upheld or undermined by the humanitarian response.

Urban Institute [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 8, 2019

[Leading by Example: Public Sector Apprenticeships in Kentucky](#)

While the US government sector employs about 15 percent of nonfarm workers, federal, state, and local governments have not made substantial use of apprenticeships to enhance the skills of their workforce, increase productivity, and widen access to government positions. This report examines steps undertaken by Kentucky to build talent for state government through apprenticeship. The early outcomes are promising: departments can

[Robert I. Lerman](#), [John Marotta](#), [Myca San Miguel](#)

Research Report

[Improving Outcomes for Transitional Youth](#)

Transitional youth are young people ages 16 to 24 who leave foster care without being adopted or reunited with their biological families and/or who are involved in the juvenile justice system, where they may be in detention or subject to terms of probation. With childhoods often marked by trauma and a lack of stability, transitional youth face notoriously poor outcomes across many areas of life. Pay for success (PFS) may provide

[Mayookha Mitra-Majumdar](#), [Keith Fudge](#), [Kriti Ramakrishnan](#)

March 7, 2019

Research Report

[Equitable Development and Urban Park Space: Results and Insights from the First Two Years of Implementation of the Equitable Development Plan of DC's 11th Street Bridge Park Project](#)

The 11th Street Bridge Park aims to create a lively pedestrian span across the Anacostia River that adds recreational, cultural, and environmental value for the District of Columbia while bringing greater economic opportunity and inclusion to longtime residents of the surrounding neighborhoods. The 1,200-foot bridge is slated for completion in 2023, and Bridge Park planners, nonprofit partners, residents, underwriters, and other

[Mary Bogle](#), [Somala Diby](#), [Mychal Cohen](#)

March 7, 2019

Research Report

[Small-Dollar Mortgages: A Loan Performance Analysis](#)

There is a significant lack of mortgage financing available for low-cost homes, which many first-time homebuyers and lower income families rely on to move into homeownership. Earlier research on small-dollar mortgages explains the market deficit and landscape. In this study, the researchers show that the commonly held perception that small-dollar mortgages are riskier than larger mortgages is not accurate. While significantly

[Alanna McCargo](#), [Bing Bai](#), [Sarah Strochak](#)

March 6, 2019

Brief

[Toward an Open Data Bias Assessment Tool](#)

Data are a critical resource for government decisionmaking, and in recent years, local governments, in a bid for transparency, community engagement, and innovation, have released many municipal datasets on publicly accessible open data portals. Advocates, reporters, and others have voiced concerns about the bias of algorithms used to guide public decisions and the data that power them. Although significant progress is being made

[Ajjit Narayanan](#), [Graham MacDonald](#)

March 5, 2019

Research Report

World Economic Forum [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Selected News Releases

No new digest content identified.

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch

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

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Latest Updates

[Demographic snapshot of U.S. grantees: Preliminary findings](#)

By Larry Kramer and Sara Davis

March 6, 2019

[Hewlett Foundation names Judy Parkman to lead HR](#)

Judy Parkman, a senior human resources professional with more than two decades of experience in philanthropy and the private sector, has been named as new director of human resources of the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the foundation said today. She will start her new role on April 15. Parkman comes to Hewlett after leading...

March 6, 2019

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 4, 2019

[Lund University receives historic EUR 33 million endowment from the IKEA Foundation](#)

The IKEA Foundation is establishing a EUR 33 million (350 million SEK) endowment in the memory of its founder Ingvar Kamprad to secure the development of the next generation of industrial-design professionals at the Ingvar Kamprad Design Centre at Lund University. The School of Industrial Design at Lund University has been partially funded by the IKEA Foundation since its inception 20 years ago. The total donation is the largest with the same purpose since Lund University was founded in 1666.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 8, 2019 *News Release*

[Final Title X Regulation Changes, Implications and What's Ahead](#)

On Monday, March 4, 2019, the Trump Administration published final regulations for the federal Title X family planning program that could dramatically reshape the safety-net program. Some of the major changes in the new regulations focus on disqualifying providers who offer abortion services from the Title X program and banning...

March 5, 2019 *News Release*

[Colorado Health Foundation, The Colorado Trust, and KFF Team Up to Bring More Health Journalism to Colorado](#)

KHN to Add Staff and Freelancers in Colorado DENVER, Colo. & SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 5, 2019 — The Colorado Health Foundation, The Colorado Trust, and KFF (the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation) are partnering to bring Kaiser Health News (KHN) to Colorado. KFF—the trusted source of health policy information—produces...

March 5, 2019 *News Release*

[Among People Ineligible for Subsidies, Middle-Class Older Adults Face the Least Affordable ACA Premiums, Especially Those Living in Rural Areas Where Premiums Are Highest](#)

A new KFF analysis finds that Affordable Care Act marketplace premiums are least affordable for older adults who earn too much to qualify for federal subsidies, especially those living in rural areas where premiums are highest. The analysis of the lowest-cost 2019 ACA marketplace plans across U.S. counties finds that...

Aga Khan Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

9 March 2019

[Aga Khan Hospital, Dar es Salaam launches expansion](#)

6 March 2019

[Aga Khan University and Fred Hutch join in global collaboration](#)

4 March 2019

[University of Washington and Aga Khan University sign agreement to further population health, research, service and education](#)

Kellogg Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

March 5, 2019 | *Press Release*

John Palfrey Named New MacArthur President

John Palfrey, a respected educator, author, legal scholar, and innovator with expertise in how new media is changing learning, education, and other institutions, will serve as the sixth President of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, effective September 1, MacArthur Board Chairman Dan Huttenlocher announced today. Since 2012, Palfrey has served as Head of School for Phillips Academy Andover.

"Throughout his career, John has demonstrated a commitment to rigorous thinking, disruption, and creative solutions often made possible by technology, accessibility of information, and diversity and inclusion; all have long been institutional values central to MacArthur's identity and work," said Huttenlocher, who is Dean and Vice Provost at Cornell Tech and the incoming inaugural Dean of MIT Schwarzman College of Computing...

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Press Releases & Statements

Opinion March 6, 2019

The Role of Efficient Regulation in Building Vibrant Economies

Some states are finding ways to make rules easier to navigate and less costly for business, while continuing to protect the public's interests.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 9 Mar 2019]

<http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/>

Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports

2019 RWJF Culture of Health Prize Finalists

March 6, 2019

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation selects 12 communities as 2019 RWJF Culture of Health Prize finalists. The Prize recognizes communities that are bringing partners together around a shared commitment to health, opportunity, and equity.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 9 Mar 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 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

News | 6 March 2019

[Wellcome pledges new funds to tackle Ebola outbreak – but more is needed to prevent catastrophe](#)

Wellcome is making £2 million available to the WHO and government of DRC, to support vaccine research as part of the emergency response to the Ebola outbreak.

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Foundation Center [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 9 Mar 2019]

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

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Kathleen Enright Starts as President and CEO

The Council is thrilled to welcome Kathleen Enright as our new President and CEO. With the world around us rapidly changing, we have seen the philanthropic community adapt, grow and evolve to advance the common good. From leveraging new technologies to challenging power structures that result in societal inequities, it's a pivotal time for philanthropy. We look forward to Kathleen's thoughtful leadership and bold, new ideas...

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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

March 2019 Volume 47, Issue 3, p229-350

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

March 2019 Volume 56, Issue 3, p335-476

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

March 2019 109(3)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 100, Issue 3, 2019

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/100/3>

Perspective Piece

Lessons Learned from Enhancing Sentinel Surveillance for Cholera in Post-Earthquake Nepal in 2016

Kazutaka Sekine and Mellisa Roskosky

<https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.17-1008>

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

January 2019 - Volume 4 - - Suppl 1

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

Complex health interventions in complex systems: concepts and methods for evidence-informed health decisions

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

Editorial

[Sexual health and human rights: protecting rights to promote health](#)

Authors: Joseph D. Tucker, Benjamin M. Meier, Cecilia Devoto, Eva Szunyogova and Stefan Baral

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:226

Published on: 6 March 2019

Research article

[A systematic review of selected human rights programs to improve HIV-related outcomes from 2003 to 2015: what do we know?](#)

Repressive legal environments and widespread human rights violations act as structural impediments to efforts to engage key populations at risk of HIV infection in HIV prevention, care, and treatment efforts. ...

Authors: Anne L. Stangl, Devaki Singh, Michael Windle, Kirsty Sievwright, Katherine Footer, Alexandrina Iovita, Stella Mukasa and Stefan Baral

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:209

Published on: 5 March 2019

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

Research article

[Girl child marriage, socioeconomic status, and undernutrition: evidence from 35 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Authors: Yvette Efevbera, Jacqueline Bhabha, Paul Farmer and Günther Fink

Citation: BMC Medicine 2019 17:55

Published on: 8 March 2019

Abstract

Background

Girl child marriage, a formal union of a female before age 18, and undernutrition remain common in Sub-Saharan Africa. The aim of this study is to establish the extent to which girl child marriage contributes to socioeconomic status and underweight, a measure of undernutrition, among adult women.

Methods

We used data from 103 Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS), representing 35 African countries from 1991 to 2014. Girl child marriage was coded both as a binary variable (before 18 years) and categorical variable (before 14, 14 to 15 years, 16 to 17 years). The primary outcome was underweight (body mass index less than 18.5). Secondary outcomes were early and multiple childbearing, secondary education completion, and wealth index. Logistic regression models were used to estimate associations.

Results

Fifty-five percent of women married before age 18. Girl child marriage was associated with reduced risk of being underweight both in models adjusted for basic confounders (risk difference = -0.020 , 95% CI [-0.026 , -0.014], $p < 0.01$) and in models adjusted for childbearing, women's relative status, and socioeconomic outcomes (risk difference = -0.018 , 95% CI [-0.024 , -0.011], $p < 0.01$). Conditional on completing primary education and community fixed-effects, women married before 18 years had an increased risk of early motherhood (risk difference = 0.38 , 95% CI [0.38 , 0.38], $p < 0.01$) and of being in the poorest quintile (risk difference = 0.024 , 95% CI [0.012 , 0.036], $p < 0.01$), and were 27 percentage points less likely to complete secondary education (risk difference = -0.27 , 95% CI [-0.28 , -0.26], $p < 0.001$), compared to women married as adults.

Conclusions

Though associated with substantially reduced socioeconomic status, girl child marriage appears to be associated with slightly reduced risk of being underweight in the population studied. Further research is needed to understand the determinants of undernutrition in this context as well as the broader relationship between socioeconomic status and nutritional outcomes.

Correspondence

[What causes severe malaria and its complications in children? Lessons learned over the past 15 years](#)

Authors: Andrea L. Conroy, Dibyadyuti Datta and Chandy C. John

Citation: BMC Medicine 2019 17:52

Published on: 7 March 2019

Abstract

Over the past 15 years, malaria mortality has reduced by approximately 50%. However, malaria still causes more than 400,000 deaths annually, most of which occur in African children under 5 years of age. Significant advances in understanding the pathogenesis of the disease provide a basis for future work to prevent severe malaria and its complications. Herein, we provide an overview of advances in

our understanding of severe malaria in African children over the past 15 years, highlighting key complications and identifying priorities to further reduce malaria-associated mortality.

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 9 Mar 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

March 2019 - Volume 9 - 3

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 97, Number 3, March 2019, 169-244

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/97/3/en/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 45, Issue 2 Pages: 147-311 March 2019

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

February 2019 Volume 41, Issue 2, p191-368

<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>

[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 9 Mar 2019]

Research

8 March 2019

[Social norms and beliefs about gender based violence scale: a measure for use with gender based violence prevention programs in low-resource and humanitarian settings](#)

Gender-based violence (GBV) primary prevention programs seek to facilitate change by addressing the underlying causes and drivers of violence against women and girls at a population level. Social norms are contextually and socially derived collective expectations of appropriate behaviors. Harmful social norms that sustain GBV include women's sexual purity, protecting family honor over women's safety, and men's authority to discipline women and children. To evaluate the impact of GBV prevention programs, our team sought to develop a brief, valid, and reliable measure to examine change over time in harmful social norms and personal beliefs that maintain and tolerate sexual violence and other forms of GBV against women and girls in low resource and complex humanitarian settings.

Authors: Nancy Perrin, Mendy Marsh, Amber Clough, Amelie Desgroppes, Clement Yope Phanel, Ali Abdi, Francesco Kaburu, Silje Heitmann, Masumi Yamashina, Brendan Ross, Sophie Read-Hamilton, Rachael Turner, Lori Heise and Nancy Glass

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 78 Pages 1-146 (March 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/78/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

April 2019 - Volume 32 - Issue 2

<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>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 37, Issue 2 Pages: i-iv, 153, 155-310 March 2019
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>

Themed issue: Health and well-being

[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 13 - Special Issue 1 - February 2019

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

Serial Hurricanes

[No new digest content identified]

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 9 Mar 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 25, Number 2—February 2019

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

[Reviewed earlier]

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

SUPPLEMENT - Volume 28, Issue suppl_5, December 2018

https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/28/suppl_5

Health in Crises: Migration, Austerity and Inequalities in Greece and Europe

[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

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 11, Issue 1, February 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/11/1>

Review

[Importance of wild foods to household food security in tropical forest areas](#)

Jeferson Asprilla-Perea, José M. Díaz-Puente

Original Paper

[Climate change, food security, and future scenarios for potato production in India to 2030](#)

Gregory J. Scott, Athanasios Petsakos, Henry Juarez

Original Paper

[Biocultural diversity and food sovereignty: a case study of human-plant relations in northwestern Ethiopia](#)

Morgan L. Ruelle, Karim-Aly Kassam, Stephen J. Morreale, Zemedu Asfaw...

Original Paper

[Household composition and experiences of food insecurity in Nigeria: the role of social capital, education, and time use](#)

Esther O. Lamidi

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>

[Reviewed earlier]

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 24 Nov 2018]
[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 11, Issue 1, March 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/11/1>

Heritage Stones and Geoheritage

In 2016, at the International Geological Congress that took place in Cape Town, South Africa, the IUGS Council ratified the creation of a new IUGS Commission: the International Commission for Geoheritage. In this commission, both heritage sites and heritage stones working groups will collaborate to disseminate the importance of Geoheritage for the general public and for the scientific community. Since then, a great effort has been made to join both subjects in meetings and in publications. Heritage Stones and Geoheritage is a special issue dedicated to spread news on some natural stones with implications on heritage around the world, and also on mines and quarries that are part of our Geoheritage and industrial heritage. It is a contribution of the IUGS Heritage Stones Subcommission. Our aim is to make as public as possible the importance of natural stones in the architectonic heritage in particular and in the geoheritage context in general....

Original Article

[Art Museums: a Good Context for Outreach Activities on Natural Stones and Heritage](#)

[D. Pereira, P. Perez-Castro](#)

Original Article

[Building Stones Can Be of Geoheritage Significance](#)

[M. Brocx, V. Semeniuk](#)

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 4

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current>

Special Issue: Analysing power and politics in health policies and systems;

Guest Editors: Radhika Gore and Richard Parker

[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

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

[Accessed 9 Mar 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Health Affairs

Vol. 38 , No. 2 February 2019

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

Hospitals, Health IT & More

[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 - Special Issue 2 - April 2019

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

SPECIAL ISSUE: Frontiers of Health Policy Research

If the enhancement of human freedom is both the main object and the primary means to development (Sen, 1999), then good individual and population health are both ends and means to development and freedom in all countries, regardless of their current ranking on the Human Development Index or other indexes on wealth, prosperity and well-being...

This special issue on the 'frontiers in health policy research' focuses attention on three distinct areas of inquiry. One set of papers analyses efforts to improve the quality of care and increase the value of care that health systems purchase. A second set of articles focuses on issues of health behaviour and social determinants of health. Finally, the third set of articles presents differing views on how to predict the adequacy of supply of medical professionals. The range of these articles illustrates, not only the exciting breadth of health policy research, but the degree to which scholars within this field are addressing issues of high importance to policy makers around the world. We think it is fair to claim that all of the articles address issues that are on the 'frontier' of health policy in the sense that they attempt to provide answers to questions that policy makers around the world are currently grappling with...

Health Equity

Volume 2, Issue 1 / September 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 9 Mar 2019]

Research

[Health researchers' experiences, perceptions and barriers related to sharing study results with participants](#)

Although research participants are generally interested in receiving results from studies in which they participate, health researchers rarely communicate study findings to participants. The present study was ...

Authors: Christopher R. Long, Rachel S. Purvis, Elizabeth Flood-Grady, Kim S. Kimminau, Robert L. Rhyne, Mark R. Burge, M. Kathryn Stewart, Amy J. Jenkins, Laura P. James and Pearl A. McElfish

Citation: Health Research Policy and Systems 2019 17:25

Published on: 4 March 2019

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 41, Number 1, February 2019

<http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39881>

[Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 74, February 2019

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/communication-community-engagement-humanitarian-response/>

Communication and community engagement in humanitarian response

This edition of Humanitarian Exchange, co-edited with Charles-Antoine Hofmann from the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), focuses on communication and community engagement. Despite promising progress, coherent and coordinated information is still not provided systematically to affected communities, and humanitarian responses take insufficient account of the views and feedback of affected people. In 2017, UNICEF, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and other partners came together under the auspices of the Communicating with Disaster Affected Communities (CDAC) Network to establish the Communication and Community Engagement (CCE) initiative, which aims to organise a collective service for communications and community engagement. The articles in this edition take stock of efforts to implement this initiative.

Drawing on lessons from 23 Peer 2 Peer Support missions, [Alice Chatelet and Meg Sattler](#) look at what's needed to integrate CCE into the humanitarian architecture. [Viviane Lucia Fluck and Dustin](#)

Barter discuss the institutional and practical barriers to implementing community feedback mechanisms. Bronwyn Russel analyses the performance of the Nepal inter-agency common feedback project; Justus Olielo and Charles-Antoine Hofmann outline the challenges of establishing common services in Yemen; and Gil Francis Arevalo reports on community engagement in preparedness and response in the Philippines. Ian McClelland and Frances Hill discuss emerging findings from a strategic partnership in the Philippines between the Humanitarian Innovation Fund and the Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network.

Charlotte Lancaster describes how call centres in Afghanistan and Iraq are enhancing two-way communication with crisis-affected people. Mia Marzotto from Translators without Borders reflects on the importance of language and translation in communication and community engagement, and Ombretta Baggio and colleagues report on efforts to bring community perspectives into decision-making during an Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Ayo Degett highlights emerging findings from a Danish Refugee Council project on participation in humanitarian settings, and Jeff Carmel and Nick van Praag report on the Listen Learn Act (LLA) project. Geneviève Cyvoct and Alexandra T. Warner write on an innovative common platform to track the views of affected people in Chad. The edition ends with an article by Stewart Davies on collective accountability in the response to the Central Sulawesi earthquake.

IDRiM Journal

Vol 8, No 2 (2018)

<http://idrimjournal.com/index.php/idrim/issue/view/20>

[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

<http://www.idpjournals.com/content>

[Accessed 9 Mar 2019]

Case report

| 4 March 2019

[HIV prevalence in suspected Ebola cases during the 2014–2016 Ebola epidemic in Sierra Leone](#)

The 2014–2016 Ebola virus epidemic in West Africa was the largest outbreak of Ebola virus disease (EVD) in history. Clarifying the influence of other prevalent diseases such as human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) will help improve treatment and supportive care of patients with EVD.

Authors: William J. Liu, Hai-Yang Hu, Qiu-Dong Su, Zhe Zhang, Yang Liu, Yu-Lan Sun, Xian-Da Yang, Da-Peng Sun, Shao-Jian Cai, Xiu-Xu Yang, Idrissa Kamara, Abdul Kamara, Matt Lebbby, Brima Kargbo, Patricia Ongpin, Xiao-Ping Dong...

International Health

Volume 11, Issue 2, March 2019

<http://inthehealth.oxfordjournals.org/content/current>

EDITORIAL

Editor's Choice

[The World Health Organization Prequalification Programme—playing an essential role in assuring quality medical products](#)

Philip E Coyne, Jr

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 2, 1 March 2019, Pages 79–80,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy095>

The global health community is belatedly recognizing the problem of substandard and falsified (SF) medicines.¹ Two recent landmark events took place in September 2018: while the first-ever Medicines Quality and Public Health Conference was under way in Oxford, UK, a concurrent meeting was taking place during the 73rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York... To date, more than 680 medicines (either FPPs or active pharmaceutical ingredients), 148 vaccines, 331 immunization devices, 71 vector control products and 80 diagnostic tests have been prequalified (unpublished data, WHO). This is an important contribution to the global health community and low- and middle-income countries. The introduction of quality-assured medicines using the WHO prequalification listing can help to displace the SF products that might otherwise be procured....

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 7 (2018): Issue 2 (Nov 2018)

<https://brill.com/abstract/journals/hrlr/7/2/hrlr.7.issue-2.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 6, No 2 (2019) February 2019

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/47>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 32, Pages 1-124 (December 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/32/suppl/C>

Advancing Ecosystems and Disaster Risk Reduction in Policy, Planning, Implementation, and Management

Edited by Adam W. Whelchel, Fabrice Renaud, Karen Sudmeier-Rieu, Zita Sebesvari

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 47, Issue 6, 1 December 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/47/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 25, Issue 4 2019

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 12 Issue 1 2019

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/ijhrh/11/5>

Research paper

[Healthcare as a refuge”: building a culture of care in Montreal for refugees and asylum-seekers living with HIV](#)

Emilie Robert, Pierre-Marie David (pp. 16 - 27)

[Sustainable development goals and reproductive healthcare rights of internally displaced persons in India](#)

Madhulika Sahoo, Jalandhar Pradhan (pp. 38 - 49)

Type: Viewpoint

International Journal of Infectious Diseases

February 2019 Volume 79, Supplement 1, p1-150 *Open Access*

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(18\)X0014-9](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(18)X0014-9)

International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance (IMED) 2018 Abstracts; November 9-12, 2018; Vienna, Austria

[Reviewed earlier]

International Migration Review

Volume 53 Issue 1, March 2019

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrx/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Intervention – Journal of Mental Health and Psychological Support in Conflict Affected Areas

September-December 2018 Volume 16 | Issue 3 Page Nos. 197-295

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

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA

March 5, 2019, Vol 321, No. 9, Pages 815-910

<http://jama.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

JAMA Pediatrics

March 2019, Vol 173, No. 3, Pages 207-300

<http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

February 2019 - Volume 17 - Issue 2

<http://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Adolescent Health

Volume 64, Issue 2, Supplement, S1-S140

[https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X\(18\)X0002-0](https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(18)X0002-0)

PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING: INTERNATIONAL TRANSCULTURAL PERSPECTIVES

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Community Health

Volume 44, Issue 1, February 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/44/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 35, Pages 1-308 (January–February 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/35/suppl/C>

Modern and Contemporary Art

Edited by Francesca Caterina Izzo, Patrizia Tomasin

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

2019: Volume 9 Issue 1

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jchmsd/9/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Development Economics

Volume 137 Pages 1-140 (March 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/137/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 14 Issue 1, February 2019

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

March 2019 - Volume 73 - 3

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/73/3>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 12, Issue 1 Pages: 1-88 February 2019

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/17565391/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 14, Issue 2, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjge20/current>

Special Issue: Reconciliation, Transitional and Indigenous Justice

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved (JHCPU)

Volume 30, Number 1, February 2019

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39946>

Black History Month Themes

[Liberation Medicine, U.S. Child-Family Border Separation, Hurricane Maria and Life Worthy of Life](#)

Clyde Lanford Smith

pp. 1-5

DOI: [10.1353/hpu.2019.0002](https://doi.org/10.1353/hpu.2019.0002)

Abstract:

Liberation Medicine is the conscious, conscientious use of health to promote social justice and human dignity. The new United States of America government policy of separating children from their families at the border has galvanized action on the part of health professionals and their professional organizations. The impact of Hurricane Maria's devastation on 16 September 2017 in Puerto Rico has reverberated throughout the entire United States, and—like other examples globally—reminds us of our responsibility as clinicians to understand and influence social well-being in our patients' lives. Liberation Medicine recognizes the interrelatedness of healthy lives in all corners of the world and the responsibility of health professionals to incorporate social well-being in daily practice. Liberation Medicine affirms that all life is worthy of life, and encourages that vision as a metric within health policy and patient care global to local.

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Editorial

Canada's mandatory vaccination reporting plans

The Lancet

An outbreak of measles in Vancouver, BC, Canada, has prompted new considerations about mandatory vaccination and reporting as tools to manage outbreaks and increase vaccination coverage. The city is dealing with the outbreak—caused by an unvaccinated child introducing measles after travel to Vietnam—at a time when UNICEF [reports](#) an “alarming global surge of measles cases”. In the USA, measles incidence increased by 559% to 791 cases in 2018, prompting [congressional hearings](#) to manage the growing public health threat.

BC plans follow the model of other Canadian provinces and US states, many of which also require immunisation records for school entry. Parents who refuse for religious or philosophical grounds are often required to attend a course on the risks of not vaccinating their children.

Mandatory reporting, which involves parents or schools providing information to public health authorities about the immunisation status of all children—is vital for knowing who is immunised and to what extent. When an outbreak occurs, central registries help quickly establish which students should be excluded. But mandatory reporting is not a panacea, says Althea Hayden, medical health officer in Vancouver. With sufficient funding, mandatory reporting can increase vaccine uptake among the willing who might be unaware that their children are not vaccinated or haven't had easy access to vaccinations.

But outbreaks generally take hold in small pockets of under-vaccination, says Hayden, and mandatory reporting is not an effective strategy for motivating the vaccine hesitant. Indeed, even coupled with education, mandates for immunisation can entrench anti-vaccine views and be counterproductive to public health goals. Whole-government strategies are needed. The longstanding practice in Canada and the USA of linking vaccine uptake strategies to schooling should be reconsidered. Many contemporary outbreaks are started by unvaccinated travellers. Authorities might need to consider requiring vaccination for passports, as Argentina has announced, and for entry requirements, as with yellow-fever vaccination.

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Focus on Cancer Therapy

Reducing the burden of cancer remains a critical global health challenge. Ahead of the 2019 meeting of the American Association of Cancer Research, we bring our readers a special Focus on Cancer Therapy that highlights opportunities and challenges in our understanding of the disease, the development of new therapeutic approaches and the need for improved care and early diagnosis.

Editorial | 06 March 2019

[Think globally about cancer](#)

Cancer surveillance programs have reported a global downward trend in cancer mortality rates for most common tumor types. However, startling geographic inequalities exist, and some cancers continue to pose a challenge. Ensuring global access to high-quality diagnostic and treatment approaches is needed to make decreasing cancer deaths a more widespread trend.

New England Journal of Medicine

March 7, 2019 Vol. 380 No. 10

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Perspective

[After the Storm — A Responsible Path for Genome Editing](#)

George Q. Daley, M.D., Ph.D., Robin Lovell-Badge, Ph.D., and Julie Steffann, M.D., Ph.D.

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Matthew H. Porteus, M.D., Ph.D.

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L . Rosenbaum

Original Article

[A Longitudinal Study of Ebola Sequelae in Liberia](#)

The PREVAIL III Study Group

A relatively high burden of symptoms was seen in all participants, but certain symptoms and examination findings were more common among survivors. With the exception of uveitis, these conditions declined in prevalence during follow-up in both groups. Viral RNA in semen persisted for a maximum of 40 months.

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[A little goes a long way: Weak vaccine transmission facilitates oral vaccination campaigns against zoonotic pathogens](#)

Andrew J. Basinski, Scott L. Nuismer, Christopher H. Remien

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Abstract

Zoonotic pathogens such as Ebola and rabies pose a major health risk to humans. One proven approach to minimizing the impact of a pathogen relies on reducing its prevalence within animal reservoir populations using mass vaccination. However, two major challenges remain for vaccination programs that target free-ranging animal populations. First, limited or challenging access to wild hosts, and second, expenses associated with purchasing and distributing the vaccine. Together, these challenges constrain a campaign's ability to maintain adequate levels of immunity in the host population for an extended period of time. Transmissible vaccines could lessen these constraints,

improving our ability to both establish and maintain herd immunity in free-ranging animal populations. Because the extent to which vaccine transmission could augment current wildlife vaccination campaigns is unknown, we develop and parameterize a mathematical model that describes long-term mass vaccination campaigns in the US that target rabies in wildlife. The model is used to investigate the ability of a weakly transmissible vaccine to (1) increase vaccine coverage in campaigns that fail to immunize at levels required for herd immunity, and (2) decrease the expense of campaigns that achieve herd immunity. When parameterized to efforts that target rabies in raccoons using vaccine baits, our model indicates that, with current vaccination efforts, a vaccine that transmits to even one additional host per vaccinated individual could sufficiently augment US efforts to preempt the spread of the rabies virus. Higher levels of transmission are needed, however, when spatial heterogeneities associated with flight-line vaccination are incorporated into the model. In addition to augmenting deficient campaigns, our results show that weak vaccine transmission can reduce the costs of vaccination campaigns that are successful in attaining herd immunity.

Author summary

Zoonotic pathogens pose a significant health risk to humans. Mass vaccination programs have shown promise for controlling zoonoses in reservoir populations and, in turn, lessening the health burden posed to neighboring human populations. Despite some significant successes, major logistical challenges remain for programs that seek to establish and maintain herd immunity in free-ranging animal populations. Specifically, limited host access and costs associated with vaccine distribution may hinder efforts to vaccinate a host population and preempt spillover of a zoonotic pathogen. We use mathematical models, parameterized with data from campaigns in the US that target rabies in wildlife, to illustrate how transmissible vaccines can overcome these challenges. Specifically, we find levels of vaccine transmission necessary to boost vaccination efforts that seek to preempt the spread of rabies, and also predict the cost savings that could be realized with a transmissible vaccine.

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Jenine K. Harris, PhD, Todd B. Combs, PhD, Kimberly J. Johnson, PhD, Bobbi J. Carothers, PhD, Douglas A. Luke, PhD, Xiaoyan Wang, MD

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Special Article

[Measles and the Modern History of Vaccination](#)

Elena Conis, PhD, MS, MJ

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Preview

The modern era of vaccination was heralded with the licensure of the first 2 measles vaccines in 1963. This new era was distinct from the preceding era of vaccination for 4 main reasons. First, federal leadership in support of immunization at the local level grew. Second, immunization proponents championed the required vaccination of children as the best means of ensuring a protected population. Third, immunization proponents championed the idea that mass vaccination would not only help manage infectious diseases but also eradicate them. Fourth, the focus of local and federally supported immunization initiatives began to extend to the “mild” and “moderate” diseases of childhood (eg, measles), so-called because they were seen as less severe than previous targets of mass vaccination, such as smallpox, polio, and diphtheria. This article follows the history of measles to explore immunization successes and challenges in this modern era, because measles was the first of the mild and moderate diseases to become the target of a federally supported eradication-through-vaccination campaign, one that relied heavily on the preemptive, required vaccination of children. Its story thus epitomizes the range of political, epidemiological, cultural, and communications challenges to mass immunization in the modern era of vaccination.

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Editorial

[**Crisis threatens science progress**](#)

By Jorge A. Huete-Pérez, Gioconda Cunto de San Blas, Jeremy N. McNeil
Science08 Mar 2019 : 1017

Summary

Years of sociopolitical unrest in Nicaragua and Venezuela have given rise to a human rights and humanitarian crisis in Latin America. Last week, the situation in both countries took a serious turn. In Nicaragua, the government began negotiations with the opposition to end the political crisis, while continuing to repress and harass university students and independent media. In Venezuela, the escalating crisis resulted in the blocking and burning of humanitarian aid at the border—a development that was widely condemned by the rest of the world. Political instability and insecurity in both countries have had a disastrous economic impact on many sectors. The human resource base critical for meeting urgent and long-term needs in these societies is being devastated. As scientists who are members of academies that belong to the InterAmerican Network of Academies of Sciences, we are deeply troubled by these situations and call on the global scientific community to show solidarity with the academic communities in Nicaragua and Venezuela.

In Depth

[China tightens rules on gene editing](#)

By Dennis Normile

Science08 Mar 2019 : 1023 Restricted Access

Summary

Responding to the outcry over the news that one of its scientists produced genetically altered babies, the Chinese government last week issued draft regulations that would require national approval for clinical research involving gene editing and other "high-risk biomedical technologies." The need for new regulations was highlighted in November 2018 when He Jiankui, then of Southern University of Science and Technology in Shenzhen, China, announced that he had used the CRISPR genome-editing system to alter the DNA of embryos in order to make them resistant to HIV. Most countries ban such germline engineering, which creates changes that are passed to future generations. Chinese researchers generally welcome the increased oversight, but some worry the rules could hamper less controversial areas of research.

Policy Forum

[Animal cultures matter for conservation](#)

By Philippa Brakes, Sasha R. X. Dall, Lucy M. Aplin, Stuart Bearhop, Emma L. Carroll, Paolo Ciucci, Vicki Fishlock, John K. B. Ford, Ellen C. Garland, Sally A. Keith, Peter K. McGregor, Sarah L. Mesnick, Michael J. Noad, Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciarra, Martha M. Robbins, Mark P. Simmonds, Fernando Spina, Alex Thornton, Paul R. Wade, Martin J. Whiting, James Williams, Luke Rendell, Hal Whitehead, Andrew Whiten, Christian Rutz

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Understanding the rich social lives of animals benefits international conservation efforts

Summary

Animal culture, defined as "information or behavior—shared within a community—which is acquired from conspecifics through some form of social learning" (1), can have important consequences for the survival and reproduction of individuals, social groups, and potentially, entire populations (1, 2). Yet, until recently, conservation strategies and policies have focused primarily on broad demographic responses and the preservation of genetically defined, evolutionarily significant units. A burgeoning body of evidence on cultural transmission and other aspects of sociality (3) is now affording critical insights into what should be conserved (going beyond the protection of genetic diversity, to consider adaptive aspects of phenotypic variation), and why specific conservation programs succeed (e.g.,

through facilitating the resilience of cultural diversity) while others fail (e.g., by neglecting key repositories of socially transmitted knowledge). Here, we highlight how international legal instruments, such as the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), can facilitate smart, targeted conservation of a wide range of taxa, by explicitly considering aspects of their sociality and cultures.

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[Second-Generation SSR or Unending Violence in Haiti?](#)

Stephen Baranyi

07 Mar 2019

Stanford Social Innovation Review

Spring 2019 Volume 17, Number 2

https://ssir.org/issue/fall_2018

For nearly a century public policy making has been informed more by theory than by practice: a group of experts propose prescriptions, and elected officials turn these into laws and programs. In "The New Practice of Public Problem Solving," the cover story in the Spring 2019 issue of Stanford Social Innovation Review, two authors from a Washington, DC, think tank propose a new approach that is faster, more bottom-up, and more iterative.

Health

[The Crisis of Youth Mental Health](#)

By Eliot Brenner

Children and adolescents confront a mental health treatment gap in which many who need help do not get it. Philanthropy can help fill this gap by investing in new models of delivering care

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Volume 11, Issue 2 (January-2 2019)

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[Traditional knowledge-based lifestyle interventions in the prevention of obesity and type 2 diabetes in Indigenous children in Canada: a systematic review protocol](#)

Approximately 50% of all youth-onset type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) in Canada occurs in Indigenous children. In adults, cardiovascular disease is one of the leading causes of mortality in First Nations commun...

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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

Volume 14, Issue 1, 2019

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[Susana Castaños-Cervantes](#) & [Javier Aguilar-Villalobos](#)

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World Heritage Review

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/review/90/>

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World Heritage Success Stories

The World Heritage Convention is a legal tool. In adhering to it, countries commit to protect heritage within their borders and to refrain from any deliberate measures that might damage directly or indirectly the cultural and natural heritage of the territory of other States Parties to this Convention.

The true measure of the Convention is the effectiveness of its implementation. It is the concrete results that matter, for the sites and for the people who live in or near them. When there are positive results at one World Heritage property, all countries that are party to the Convention can benefit from this success.

In this issue, we look at specific cases of actions at World Heritage sites that have benefited and improved their state of conservation...

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