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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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Heritage as Political Asset

[Remarks by President Trump at South Dakota's 2020 Mount Rushmore Fireworks Celebration | Keystone, South Dakota](#)

Issued on: July 4, 2020

[Excerpts]

...Seventeen seventy-six represented the culmination of thousands of years of western civilization and the triumph not only of spirit, but of wisdom, philosophy, and reason.

And yet, as we meet here tonight, there is a growing danger that threatens every blessing our ancestors fought so hard for, struggled, they bled to secure.

Our nation is witnessing a merciless campaign to wipe out our history, defame our heroes, erase our values, and indoctrinate our children.

...Angry mobs are trying to tear down statues of our Founders, deface our most sacred memorials, and unleash a wave of violent crime in our cities. Many of these people have no idea why they are doing this, but some know exactly what they are doing. They think the American people are weak and soft and submissive. But no, the American people are strong and proud, and they will not allow our country, and all of its values, history, and culture, to be taken from them.

...In our schools, our newsrooms, even our corporate boardrooms, there is a new far-left fascism that demands absolute allegiance. If you do not speak its language, perform its rituals, recite its mantras, and follow its commandments, then you will be censored, banished, blacklisted, persecuted, and punished. It's not going to happen to us.

Make no mistake: this left-wing cultural revolution is designed to overthrow the American Revolution. In so doing, they would destroy the very civilization that rescued billions from poverty, disease, violence, and hunger, and that lifted humanity to new heights of achievement, discovery, and progress.

To make this possible, they are determined to tear down every statue, symbol, and memory of our national heritage.

...No movement that seeks to dismantle these treasured American legacies can possibly have a love of America at its heart. Can't have it. No person who remains quiet at the destruction of this resplendent heritage can possibly lead us to a better future.

The radical ideology attacking our country advances under the banner of social justice. But in truth, it would demolish both justice and society. It would transform justice into an instrument of division and vengeance, and it would turn our free and inclusive society into a place of repression, domination, and exclusion.

...Centuries from now, our legacy will be the cities we built, the champions we forged, the good we did, and the monuments we created to inspire us all.

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Philanthropy

[The Mellon Foundation Announces Transformation of its Strategic Direction and New Focus on Social Justice](#)

NEW YORK, June 30, 2020 – The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation today announced a major strategic evolution for its organization, prioritizing social justice in all of its grantmaking. The Foundation’s board has resoundingly endorsed a refined mission statement and updated program areas. While Mellon’s strategic shift—under the leadership of Mellon President Elizabeth Alexander— has been two years in the making, current events make the Foundation’s new social justice lens even more relevant to Mellon’s philanthropic efforts supporting the arts and humanities.

Since its founding, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has sought to strengthen, promote, and defend the arts and humanities as essential to democratic societies. An increased focus on just communities comes at a moment in which a national spotlight is shining on widespread—and longstanding—social and racial injustice. **The new mission notes that the Foundation’s focus will be on building “just communities enriched by meaning and empowered by critical thinking where ideas and imagination can thrive” and animated by a belief that “the arts and humanities are where we express our complex humanity.”**

“We have been evolving our work since I arrived as President, and we are unveiling it at a transformational moment in our history. At Mellon, we believe in the power of the humanities and the arts to facilitate a deeper understanding of the richness of human experience. Now, we urgently ask the question, ‘What does it mean to pursue social justice through the humanities and the arts?’,” said Elizabeth Alexander, president of the Mellon Foundation. “We are a problem-solving foundation looking to address historical inequities in the fields we fund. Our mission clearly reflects our values, and the core of our philanthropic approach.”...

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Global Ceasefire

[Security Council Underlines Support for Secretary-General’s Global Ceasefire Appeal, Fight against COVID-19, Unanimously Adopting Resolution 2532 \(2020\)](#)

SC/14238

1 July 2020

The Security Council, in a 1 July videoconference meeting*, announced its decision to adopt a resolution expressing its support for the Secretary-General's appeal for a global ceasefire, which he issued in March to help unite efforts to fight COVID-19 in the most vulnerable countries.

In unanimously adopting [resolution 2532 \(2020\)](#), the Council demanded a general and immediate cessation of hostilities in all situations on its agenda and supports the efforts undertaken by the Secretary-General and his Special Representatives and Special Envoys in that respect.

The 15-member organ called upon all parties to armed conflicts to engage immediately in a durable humanitarian pause for at least 90 consecutive days, to enable the safe, unhindered and sustained delivery of humanitarian assistance, and provision of related services by impartial humanitarian actors, in accordance with the humanitarian principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence. The pause would also enable medical evacuations, in accordance with international law, including international humanitarian and refugee law as applicable.

However, the Council affirmed that the general and immediate cessation of hostilities and humanitarian pause does not apply to military operations against Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL/Da'esh), Al-Qaida and Al-Nusra Front, and all other individuals, groups, undertakings and entities associated with Al-Qaida or ISIL, and other Council-designated terrorist groups.

The Council requested the Secretary-General to help ensure that all relevant parts of the United Nations system, including country teams, accelerate their response to the COVID-19 pandemic with an emphasis on countries in need, including those in situations of armed conflict or affected by humanitarian crises.

The 15-member organ also requested the Secretary-General to provide updates on the Organization's efforts to address the coronavirus in countries facing situations of armed conflict or affected by humanitarian crises, as well as on the impact of COVID-19 on the ability of peacekeeping operations and special political missions to deliver their mandated priority tasks.

Furthermore, it requested the Secretary-General to instruct peacekeeping operations to provide support, within their mandates and capacities, to host country authorities in their efforts to contain the pandemic.

The Council also acknowledged the critical role that women play in COVID-19 response efforts, as well as the disproportionate negative impact of the pandemic, notably the socioeconomic impact, on women and girls, children, refugees, internally displaced persons, older persons and persons with disabilities. It called for concrete actions to minimize this impact and ensure the full, equal and meaningful participation of women and youth in the development and implementation of an adequate and sustainable response to the pandemic.

[Security Council resolutions are currently adopted through a written procedure vote under temporary, extraordinary and provisional measures implemented in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as set out in a letter (document [S/2020/253](#)) by its President for March (China).]

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Pandemic Response – Humanitarian Contexts

Six Essential Lessons for a Pandemic Response in Humanitarian Settings

Statement to UN Security Council Open Debate: Pandemics and Security

Peter Maurer, ICRC President

2 July 2020

[Editor's text bolding]

Chair, excellencies. Thank you for the opportunity to brief you today.

Conflict zones are the sharp end of pandemics. Communities are already living on a knife edge where additional shocks can be catastrophic.

The ICRC is seeing first-hand how COVID19 and its economic aftershocks are deepening fragility – spiking humanitarian needs, accentuating the impact of violence and conflict, opening the doors to alarming levels of stigmatization, increasing global poverty, heightening instability and tensions and reversing hard-won development gains.

These are deeply complex and fragile places in which to launch a pandemic response. It is clear that pandemics cannot be addressed solely as health issues.

Instead the precondition is a political environment which supports health systems, social supports and humanitarian action; simultaneous emergency and development approaches; as well as a fundamental change of behavior of belligerents in conflicts.

Unquestionably pandemics are changing humanitarian work. We already know that needs are vast and growing: according to our legal analysis there are now around 100 armed conflicts around the world involving 60 States and more than 100 non-state armed groups as parties to those conflicts. This represents a steady rise in the total number of classified conflicts over recent decades.

ICRC is drawing lessons from the impacts of COVID19 across these conflicts as well as the experiences of other infectious diseases like Ebola, cholera, and tuberculosis. **Today I bring to your attention six essential lessons for a pandemic response in humanitarian settings.**

One, International Humanitarian Law must be better respected to protect civilians and their infrastructure from multiple future shocks, including pandemics.

Violations of IHL – cities bombed to rubble, mass displacement – are the enemy of a pandemic response.

Countries where health services have been destroyed by war stand little chance to treat or contain COVID19. Emergency room mortality rates are spiking dramatically. Attacks – including cyber-attacks – on health care workers and facilities are continuing unabated.

Health workers and humanitarians are our first and last lines of defence and they must be protected. Words and promises, resolutions like 2286, which are agreed by this Council, are fruitless if they do not result in meaningful changes on the ground.

Positive influence by those who have leverage over parties to conflict must be a priority. ICRC is doing our share with millions of health workers around the world with advice on implementing protective measures, fighting stigma and maintaining neutral and impartial services in the midst of war and violence.

Two, assistance and protection must be available to all those in need without the threat of politicization or manipulation.

Under international law, impartial humanitarian aid cannot come with strings attached or be withheld from so-called 'enemy' groups. People's needs are the only reasonable basis on which to respond.

Misinformation and exclusionary responses can fuel unrest and instability. Today, the distribution of scarce medicine and protective materials are triggering violent flare-ups; tomorrow, the inequitable distribution of any COVID19 vaccine could destabilize communities.

The Red Cross Red Crescent Movement has joined the UN Secretary General in calling for a people's vaccine which ensures no one is left out. Once vaccines will be available, their equitable distribution will be critical. We are working to plan with States and with millions of Red Cross and Red Crescent and other humanitarian workers to help to mitigate against potentially very dangerous situations.

Three, the response must go far beyond health needs and mitigate the wider secondary impacts of pandemics.

Pandemic responses cannot be reduced to the delivery of masks or confined to emergency rooms.

Communities need measures to guard against the multiple dimensions of fragility - health and sanitation systems, social safety nets and livelihoods.

There are no silver bullets, but where people are hit by the double burden of conflict and disease, context-specific, evidence-driven approaches will balance the imperatives of controlling infections and mitigate the secondary impacts.

I warn against compartmentalizing the response into humanitarian or development – we must enable emergency and long-term responses, preventative and curative responses in sync. It is possible. ICRC has seen a growing recognition that inhumane conditions, for example in detention or in displacement camps, can become deadly during a pandemic – not only for those interned but for host communities.

In detention facilities in more than 50 countries, the ICRC is working with the authorities to strengthen health care and hygiene measures. We have seen such measures effectively prevent the spread of cholera and Ebola into places of detention in Guinea, Liberia and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

By responding to health needs, it is possible to improve inhumane conditions for the longer term and diffuse rising tensions in communities. ICRC has delivered more than 200 confidential reports to authorities concerned over the past few months on the conditions in detention facilities, making recommendations on systems wide improvements covering health, sanitation and hygiene services, overcrowding, family contact, ill treatment and judicial processes. We commend the many authorities,

who have responded positively to our recommendations and who have prevented a degradation of their security environment.

Four, responses must be built to reach the most vulnerable and marginalized community members. No-one is safe from a pandemic until everyone is safe.

Pandemics will affect some people more than others. We must ensure responses reach those less visible and silenced. For example, displaced people, those working in the informal sector, those in areas controlled by non-State armed groups, people detained, people with disabilities, the elderly, racial groups, women and girls as well as sexual and gender minorities.

We must look at the landscape of needs, rather than creating trade-offs between the COVID response and other responses. The war wounded, those with chronic diseases must still be treated, mental health and sexual violence responses must be scaled up to dramatically increasing demand. Livelihood assistance and other social supports must be boosted as critical prevention measures. Failure to do so will nurture the cycle of exclusion, violence and conflict.

Five, we must proactively guard against any rollback of civilian protections.

Governments must not exploit the pandemic and set draconian precedents, which undermine International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law. Any exceptional measures to fight and contain the pandemic must be time-bound, non-discriminatory and proportional to public health needs.

We urge wider implementation of the good practice of granting exceptions to humanitarians whenever possible. Humanitarian organizations are ready for their part to take additional precautionary measures in their work.

Given the mistrust and heightened tensions in areas of violence and conflict, States need to be especially vigilant to ensure that laws restricting the use of force are thoroughly applied. This should be followed through to ensure rules of conduct and training are in place, as well as robust oversight of security forces. Checks and balances must be in place so emergency measures, such as lock downs or widescale data collection, are not used as abusive tools to control a population, nor undermine public trust in health measures. Temporary restrictions on humanitarian access must not become fixed.

Six, responses will only be effective if there is community trust and engagement.

The global COVID response is a game changer for state-citizen trust. Healthcare at gunpoint is futile. Even in conflict-affected environments, local authorities can build trust by listening to communities, and acting with transparency.

Responders also need to be trusted, and stigma combatted. ICRC, together with the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, and its existing community networks is often one of the few responders in contested areas.

We see there is no substitute for neutral and impartial humanitarian action which secures the trust of populations, and the trust of authorities across frontlines and the so-called "last mile" of service delivery.

Trust can be achieved by listening to the plight of communities, by walking the talk, by engaging and cooperating with local leaders and faith-based organizations and religious leaders. On the frontlines of fighting the pandemic the convergence of health and security is not a matter of political debate but of simple and experienced truth.

Colleagues, even in this uncertain time, we have the knowledge and the lessons on how to tackle COVID19. Much can be done – in this Council and beyond:

The passing of UNSC resolution 2532 represents a chance to reset – to translate the consensus reflected in the text into greater cooperation and action to protect civilians.

The choices are there - choose to respect the ceasefire; choose to intensify diplomacy to make it happen. Choose to enable humanitarian access including facilitating movement. Choose to follow the laws you created in international humanitarian law. Choose to give space to first responders and local communities.

Millions around the world are depending on you to make the choices that protect them from the health crises of the future.

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Featured Journal Content

Lancet Global Health

Jul 2020 Volume 8 Number 7 e860-e972

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current>

Comment

[A wake-up call: COVID-19 and its impact on children's health and wellbeing](#)

Henrietta H Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF

As cases of COVID-19 surge worldwide and threaten to overwhelm life-saving health services, the survival of mothers and children is at great risk.

In The Lancet Global Health, Timothy Robertson and colleagues¹ present startling new evidence on the potential rise in maternal and child mortality in low-income and middle-income countries if essential health services are disrupted as a result of COVID-19. Building on lessons learned from previous outbreaks of Ebola virus disease and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), the authors estimate a devastating increase in the numbers of maternal and child deaths resulting from reductions in routine health service coverage.

Left unchecked, these reductions (due to, for example, disruptions in medical supply chains or the availability of human and financial resources) along with declines in the uptake of health services by communities fearful of infection will be more catastrophic for mothers and children than COVID-19 itself. The projection of an additional 1.2 million child deaths and 56 700 maternal deaths in 118 countries if coverage of essential services drops by around 45% for 6 months is alarming. It is also avoidable if we act now.

These findings reinforce the multi-part approach that UNICEF has adopted from the start of the outbreak.² First, we are working to prevent COVID-19 transmission and treat those who fall sick. Second, we are working to address the effects of the policy responses aimed at containing the spread, including maintaining routine health services for all children and mothers, ensuring continuity of learning, keeping mothers and children safe and protected from violence, and scaling up social protections to keep children and their families afloat. Third, we are working to strengthen the systems that underpin all of these services.

The evidence is already showing the negative effects of COVID-19, and the unprecedented measures to contain it, on maternal and child health. Children are at risk not only of infection, but also of losing or being separated from family members and caregivers. Mothers and children are affected by the disruption of essential preventative and curative support and supplies resulting from suspensions in services and transportation systems, as well as by financial constraints.^{3,4}

Constrained access to clinics, schools, social workers, water, and sanitation is a particular threat to the most vulnerable populations, and the lack of child protection and broader social services is particularly harmful to women and children in need of safety.

Looming above all of these concerns is the economic impact of both the pandemic control measures governments are taking and the predicted knock-on effects of the projected global recession:⁵ reduced incomes, public and private debt, and reduced access to goods will affect many aspects of household health and nutrition. In short, these effects threaten to roll back the hard-won progress countries have made in recent decades.

As a global community, overcoming the negative impacts of the pandemic will require focus on six key areas of action and investment.

First, we must keep children healthy and well nourished by providing supplies and protective equipment, which must reach health workers and affected communities. At the same time, life-saving maternal, newborn, and child health services, routine vaccinations, and access to HIV treatment must be maintained.

Second, we must urgently prioritise funding and support for maintaining and strengthening water, sanitation, and hygiene. The combined work of governments and the private sector will be required to increase the practice of handwashing across the board, tapping into local innovation and global partnerships.

Third, learning and connectedness among children must be maintained, and support must be given to governments to provide no-technology, low-technology, and digital solutions. Already before the crisis, UNICEF was working on an initiative⁶ with partners to extend digital infrastructure to ensure all children can learn, no matter who and where they are, and this work needs to be brought quickly to scale.

Fourth, we must recognise parents and families as essential front-line workers. They need support through social protection measures that include cash and nutrition support. Fiscal response packages must target women and children. More than ever, everyone needs access to paid family leave, paid sick leave, and childcare.

Fifth, services to prevent and address gender-based violence—including counselling and support—must be designed and delivered. These services should be designated as essential, and moved online. The current crisis makes women and children even more vulnerable to violence.[3](#)

Finally, we must not forget about refugee and migrant children or children affected by conflict. An effective COVID-19 response is one that includes all children in a country—whatever their status.

As we think through new and innovative ways to support children and their families, it is encouraging to see that many local initiatives have already begun.[7](#)

These initiatives push us all to consider the new opportunities that this crisis creates for communities to recover better, build stronger systems, and orient these services to reach all people, rich and poor alike.

This kind of long-term thinking can help us to prevent further loss of life from COVID-19 and to reduce the effects of the global recession, while making progress towards the healthier, more equal, resilient, and sustainable future envisioned in the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

This future is not automatic. It begins by heeding the findings of models like those presented by Robertson and colleagues, and by realising that the full effects of the disease on health and wellbeing of children reach beyond the immediate illness. These effects threaten global progress in a number of areas, as well as the lives and rights of a generation of children.

By working together as a global community, we can learn from these data and invest in future-oriented solutions now, and spur a lasting recovery that will benefit children and communities for decades to come.

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EMERGENCIES

Coronavirus [COVID-19]

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

WHO - [Situation report - 166](#)

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

4 July 2020

Confirmed cases :: 10 922 324

Confirmed deaths :: 523 011

Countries, areas or territories with cases :: 216

Highlights

:: WHO is providing support to bridge a shortfall in oxygen supplies in Iraq. To counter severe shortages, WHO has airlifted 300 oxygen concentrators from WHO's warehouses in the United Arab Emirates.

:: As African countries begin to reopen borders and air spaces, it is crucial that governments take effective measures to mitigate the risk of a surge in infections.

:: The UN Secretary-General, Mr António Guterres in his remarks to the Security Council on the Maintenance of International Peace and Security warned that the COVID-19 pandemic has been affecting peace and security around the world. He stated that "Collective security and our shared well-being are under assault on many fronts led by a relentless disease and abetted by global fragilities."

:: In Yemen, healthcare workers face a double battle – COVID-19 in a conflict zone. WHO chronicles the work of Dr Sami Al Hajj, a young doctor working at the Science and Technology Hospital in Sana.

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2 July 2020

[Global scientific community unites to track progress on COVID-19 R&D, identifies new research priorities and critical gaps](#)

1 July 2020

[Redefining global care: Duty, service and choices made in the time of COVID-19](#)

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Emergencies

Ebola – DRC+

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Last *Situation Report* published 23 June 2020

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[Johnson & Johnson Announces European Commission Approval for Janssen's Preventive Ebola Vaccine](#)

:: This marks the first major regulatory approval of a vaccine developed by Janssen

:: The Ebola vaccine regimen leverages Janssen's AdVac® technology, plus Bavarian Nordic's established MVA-BN® technology

: Janssen's AdVac® technology is also being used to develop a vaccine candidate to prevent COVID-19

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

[Polio this week as of 24 June 2020](#)

:: WHO is looking to fill the Director position of its polio eradication department. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to contribute to a major global public health achievement: polio eradication. [More information...](#)

Summary of new viruses this week (AFP cases and ES positives):

- :: **Afghanistan:** seven WPV1 cases
- :: **Pakistan:** two WPV1 cases and 10 WPV1 positive environmental samples
- :: **Democratic Republic of the Congo:** 13 cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Burkina Faso:** five cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Côte d'Ivoire:** eight cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Somalia:** two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

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[WHO Grade 3 Emergencies](#) [to 4 July 2020]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

- :: [Building on Ebola response to tackle COVID-19 in the Democratic Republic of the Congo](#) 25 June 2020
- :: [Heroes of the Ebola response](#) 25 June 2020

Nigeria

- :: [Community leaders help drive COVID-19 testing in Nigeria's Kano](#) 29 June 2020
- :: [Germany boosts WHO's strategies to support government-led interventions for vulnerable populations in the North-east](#) 29 June 2020

Syrian Arab Republic

- :: [WHO calls for unhindered humanitarian access to all Syrians and support for health system resilience](#) 30 June 2020
- :: [UNICEF and WHO support national immunization campaign in Syria amid COVID-19 pandemic](#) 29 June 2020

Yemen

- :: [WHO and KSR relief join forces to preserve the health system in Yemen](#) 30 June 2020
- :: [Noncommunicable diseases are a silent burden on the people of Yemen](#) 30 June 2020

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

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[WHO Grade 2 Emergencies](#) [to 4 July 2020]

Burundi

- :: [Communities and coordination are crucial in fighting Ebola](#) 04 July 2019

Close to the border with the Ebola-hit Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), over 100 volunteer health workers are busily planning surveillance actions to detect potential Ebola cases and defend against the virus.

Iraq

:: WHO provides support to bridge shortfall in oxygen supplies in Iraq

Baghdad, Iraq, 2 July 2020 – In light of the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Iraq and the severe shortage of oxygen in hospitals, WHO has succeeded in securing 300 oxygen concentrators to be used in Iraqi hospitals according to the Ministry of Health's distribution plan. The concentrators were airlifted from WHO's warehouses in the United Arab Emirates and delivered to the Ministry of Health...

Angola - *No new digest announcements identified*
Afghanistan - *No new digest announcements identified*
Burkina Faso [in French] - *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*
Libya - *No new digest announcements identified*
Malawi - *No new digest announcements identified*
Measles in Europe - *No new digest announcements identified*
MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*
Myanmar - *No new digest announcements identified*
Niger - *No new digest announcements identified*
occupied Palestinian territory - *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 4 July 2020]

Kenya

:: Kenyan communities taking the lead in curbing COVID-19 spread 02 July 2020

By the time the public health officials reached a Maasai community not far from Nairobi, Julius Oloiboni had already mobilized everyone to protect themselves and others against COVID-19.

:: The EU and WHO working Together to Defeat COVID-19 in Kenya 29 June 2020

Chad - *No new digest announcements identified*
Djibouti – *Page not responding at inquiry*
Mali - *No new digest announcements identified*
Namibia - viral hepatitis - *No new digest announcements identified*
Tanzania - *No new digest announcements identified*

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UN OCHA – L3 Emergencies

The UN and its humanitarian partners are currently responding to three 'L3' emergencies. This is the global humanitarian system's classification for the response to the most severe, large-scale humanitarian crises.

Syrian Arab Republic

:: Syrian Arab Republic: COVID-19 Update No. 13 - 29 June 2020

Yemen

Highlights Last Updated: 02 Jul 2020

- :: A tragedy unfolds as funding falls short
- :: COVID-19 rapidly spreading
- :: COVID-19 exacerbates Yemen's economic problems
- :: Heavy rains and flooding hit southern and eastern governorates
- :: Migrant arrivals plummet while anti-migrant abuse spikes leaving thousands stranded

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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.

East Africa Locust Infestation

:: Desert Locust situation update - 27 June 2020

COVID-19 - No new digest announcements identified

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

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

Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements

2 July 2020

SG/SM/20157

[As COVID-19, Global Fragilities Threaten Peace, Shared Well-Being, Efforts Must Focus on Saving Lives, Buttressing Security, Secretary-General Tells Security Council](#)

1 July 2020

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[Security Council Underlines Support for Secretary-General's Global Ceasefire Appeal, Fight against COVID-19, Unanimously Adopting Resolution 2532 \(2020\)](#)

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29 June 2020

SC/14231

[With Deteriorating Economy, Record-Level Food Insecurity, Syria's People at 'a Breaking Point', Humanitarian Chief Tells Security Council](#)

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 4 July 2020]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

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[Bachelet urges Israel to halt West Bank annexation plans, warning "shockwaves will last for decades"](#)

[Iran: UN rights experts condemn secret execution of Kurdish political prisoner](#)

[589 killed in central Mali so far in 2020 as security worsens – Bachelet](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 4 July 2020]

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

Council News

[Human Rights Council begins interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the right to health](#)

03/07/2020

[Human Rights Council begins dialogue with Special Rapporteur on education, concludes discussion with Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons](#)

03/07/2020

[Human Rights Council holds interactive dialogues on violence against children and on children and armed conflicts](#)

02/07/2020

[Human Rights Council concludes interactive dialogue on the Annual Report of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, hears presentations on Nicaragua, Venezuela, and the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol in Ukraine](#)

02/07/2020

[Human Rights Council holds panel on ensuring children's rights through a healthy environment and concludes annual full-day meeting on the rights of the child](#)

01/07/2020

[Human Rights Council holds dialogue on Eritrea, ends discussion on Rohingya Muslims and other minorities in Myanmar](#)

30/06/2020

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

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Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

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Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 4 July 2020]

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

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Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest news

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Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>

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UN OCHA [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

01 July 2020

[Humanitarian Coordinator in South Sudan condemns killing of an aid worker in Lakes and calls for an end to violence](#)

30 June 2020

[Sahel: Joint statement by United Nations and international NGOs on the occasion of the G5 Sahel Summit in Nouakchott](#)

29 June 2020

[UN chiefs urge sustained support to Syrians and the region ahead of fourth Brussels conference \[EN/AR\]](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press releases/Announcements

Press release

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[COVID-19: EU Humanitarian Air Bridge helps deliver over 50 tonnes of UNICEF supplies for vulnerable children and families](#)

Statement

30/06/2020

[Statement by UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore ahead of the 2020 Brussels video conference on supporting the future of Syria and the region](#)

Press release

30/06/2020

[Not just numbers: Syrian families identify their needs and concerns as war enters tenth year](#)

Education in high demand: Syrian families say education for children greatest challenge

Press release

29/06/2020

[UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore remarks at the 2020 Executive Board Annual Session](#)

As prepared

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[UNHCR urges investment in Afghan displacement situation to achieve a decade of hope not despair](#)

03 July 2020

[Uganda provides a safe haven to DRC refugees amid COVID-19 lockdown](#)

01 July 2020

[UNHCR issues recommendations for EU to ensure refugee protection during the pandemic and beyond](#)

01 July 2020

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[United Nations in West and Central Africa Concerned Over Increased Vulnerabilities of Migrants Amid COVID-19](#)

2020-07-03 09:34

Dakar – The Regional United Nations Network on Migration together with the Regional UN-SDG COVID-19 Executive Committee in West and Central Africa are concerned with the wellbeing of millions of migrants across the region amid the COVID-19 crisis. While they face the same health...

[Global Diaspora Coalition: Message of Solidarity with Victims of COVID-19 Related Xenophobia, Discrimination](#)

2020-07-01 11:09

Leaders of diaspora and community organizations from around the world are coming together today to send a clear, unified message of solidarity with those facing xenophobia, discrimination and even violence due to COVID-19.

UNAIDS [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

[AIDS 2020](#)

The 23rd International AIDS Conference – known as AIDS 2020 – will take place from 6 to 10 July 2020 with the theme, Resilience.

1 July 2020

[Providing support to COVID-19-hit households in Côte d'Ivoire](#)

30 June 2020

[Delivery of PrEP at home in the Republic of Moldova](#)

29 June 2020

[UNAIDS supporting people stranded in Egypt to access HIV treatment](#)

Unitaid [to 4 July 2020]

<https://unitaid.org/>

Featured News

02 July 2020 | *Press releases*

[ACT-Accelerator moves to expand access to dexamethasone for low- and middle-income countries for COVID-19 treatment](#)

Geneva – Unitaid and Wellcome have joined forces with partners in the Access to COVID-19 Tools Accelerator (ACT-A) to expand access to dexamethasone for low- and middle-income countries as part ensuring equitable access to therapeutics in the COVID-19 response.

WHO & Regional Offices [to 4 July 2020]

4 July 2020 *News release*

[WHO discontinues hydroxychloroquine and lopinavir/ritonavir treatment arms for COVID-19](#)

WHO today accepted the recommendation from the Solidarity Trial's International Steering Committee to discontinue the trial's hydroxychloroquine and lopinavir/ritonavir arms. The Solidarity Trial was established by WHO to find an effective COVID-19 treatment for hospitalized patients.

The International Steering Committee formulated the recommendation in light of the evidence for hydroxychloroquine vs standard-of-care and for lopinavir/ritonavir vs standard-of-care from the Solidarity trial interim results, and from a review of the evidence from all trials presented at the 1-2 July WHO Summit on COVID-19 research and innovation.

These interim trial results show that hydroxychloroquine and lopinavir/ritonavir produce little or no reduction in the mortality of hospitalized COVID-19 patients when compared to standard of care. Solidarity trial investigators will interrupt the trials with immediate effect.

For each of the drugs, the interim results do not provide solid evidence of increased mortality. There were, however, some associated safety signals in the clinical laboratory findings of the add-on Discovery trial, a participant in the Solidarity trial. These will also be reported in the peer-reviewed publication.

This decision applies only to the conduct of the Solidarity trial in hospitalized patients and does not affect the possible evaluation in other studies of hydroxychloroquine or lopinavir/ritonavir in non-hospitalized patients or as pre- or post-exposure prophylaxis for COVID-19. The interim Solidarity results are now being readied for peer-reviewed publication.

[Timeline of WHO's response to COVID-19](#)

Last updated 30 June 2020

29 June 2020 *Statement*

WHO provides this timeline of the Organization's COVID-19 response activities for general information. WHO will update the timeline on a regular basis and in light of evolving events and new information. Unless noted otherwise, country-specific information and data are as reported to WHO by its Member States.

This timeline supersedes the [WHO Rolling Updates](#) and [WHO Timeline statement](#) published in April 2020. It is not intended to be exhaustive and does not contain details of every event or WHO activity.

As of 29 June 2020, the following milestones and events focused on COVID-19 have taken place:

- The Director-General and Executive Director of the WHO Health Emergencies Programme have held [75 media briefings](#). The Director-General's [opening remarks](#), [transcripts](#), [videos](#) and [audio recordings](#) for these media briefings are available online.
- There have been 23 Member State Briefings and information sessions.
- WHO convenes international expert networks, covering topics such as clinical management, laboratory and virology, infection prevention and control, mathematical modeling, seroepidemiology, and research and development for diagnostics, therapeutics and vaccines, which have held frequent teleconferences, starting in early January. These networks include thousands of scientists, medical and public health professionals from around the world.
- [EPI-WIN](#), WHO's information network for epidemics, has convened 60 technical webinars, making available 287 expert panelists to more than 13,500 participants, from more than 120 countries and territories, with representation from as many as 460 organizations.
- The [OpenWHO](#) platform has had more than 3.7 million enrollments, over 80% of which are in [COVID-19 courses](#). Free training is available on 13 different topics translated into 31 languages to support the coronavirus response, for a total of 100 COVID-19 courses.
- WHO's [landscape of COVID-19 candidate vaccines](#) lists 17 candidate vaccines in clinical evaluation and 132 in preclinical evaluation.
- The [Strategic and Technical Advisory Group on Infectious Hazards](#) (STAG-IH) has met 35 times. STAG-IH provides independent advice and analysis to the WHO Health Emergencies Programme on the infectious hazards that may pose a threat to global health security.
- In addition to the selected guidance included below, all of WHO's technical guidance on COVID-19 can be found online [here](#).
- All events listed below are in the Geneva, Switzerland time zone (CET/CEST). Note that the dates listed for documents are based on when they were finalized and timestamped....

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: [WHO urges strong COVID-19 safety measures as African countries to resume air travel](#)
02 July 2020

As African countries begin to reopen borders and air spaces, it is crucial that governments take effective measures to mitigate the risk of a surge in infections due to the resumption of commercial flights and airport operations.

:: [Kenyan communities taking the lead in curbing COVID-19 spread](#) 02 July 2020

By the time the public health officials reached a Maasai community not far from Nairobi, Julius Oloiboni had already mobilized everyone to protect themselves and others against COVID-19.

:: [Community leaders help drive COVID-19 testing in Nigeria's Kano](#) 29 June 2020

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

No new digest content identified.

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

:: New 5-year programme for health in Europe on the agenda at virtual annual meeting 03-07-2020

:: WHO/Europe launches new podcast – Health in Europe 01-07-2020

:: WHO addresses European Parliament on COVID-19 response 01-07-2020

:: WHO reinforces COVID-19 response efforts in Turkey: millions of protective items distributed 30-06-2020

:: WHO-backed telephone counselling in Turkey for those dealing with COVID-19 stress 30-06-2020

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Statement by WHO Regional Director Dr Ahmed Al-Mandhari on COVID-19

Yesterday, 30 June marked six months since WHO received the first reports of a cluster of cases of pneumonia of unknown cause in China. The six-month mark of the outbreak coincides with reaching 10 million cases and 500,000 deaths world-wide. Although many countries have made some progress, globally the pandemic is speeding up. A few days ago, our Region passed its own significant and concerning milestone, with more than one million people now infected with COVID-19. The number of cases reported in June alone is higher than the total number of cases reported during the four months following the first reported case in the Region on 29 January...

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: Virtual press conference with World Economic Forum on COVID-19: 1 July 2020

Remarks by Dr Takeshi Kasai, WHO Regional Director for the Western Pacific

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 4 July 2020]

<https://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2020/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

30 June 2020

Press Release

Confronting the silent and endemic crisis of harmful practices

Urgent, accelerated action needed to stop female genital mutilation, child marriage, and other practices that harm women and girls, according to new UNFPA report

NEW YORK--Every year, millions of girls are subjected to practices that harm them physically and emotionally, with the full knowledge and consent of their families, friends and communities, according to the State of World Population 2020, released today by UNFPA, the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency. At least 19 harmful practices, ranging from breast ironing to virginity

testing, are considered human rights violations, according to the UNFPA report, which focuses on the three most prevalent ones: female genital mutilation, child marriage, and extreme bias against daughters in favour of sons...

29 June 2020

Press Release

[UNFPA calls for urgent funding to protect health and safety of women and girls affected by Syria crisis](#)

29 June 2020, NEW YORK, USA – Millions of Syrian women and girls continue to suffer from gender-based violence (GBV), harassment and increasingly restricted access to life-saving sexual and reproductive health services...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

[International community pledges US\\$5.5 billion for the Syria crisis response in 2020, in Syria and neighbouring countries](#)

Coordinated by UN humanitarian and development agencies, the plans aim to reach 11 million people in need of humanitarian assistance inside Syria, 5.5 million refugees in neighboring countries, and...

Posted on July 1, 2020

[The Future of Business and Human Rights for People, Planet and Peace](#)

Statement delivered by Asako Okai, Annual Event on the Rule of Law and Human Rights, Launch of B+HR Global Initiative and closing remarks.

Posted on July 1, 2020

[Discussing Human Rights, Rule of Law and the renewed social contract in the COVID-19 reality](#)

This global network of Member states, United Nations and UNDP staff, public servants, NGOs, and individuals represents our collective commitment to strengthen the Rule of Law and Human Rights as we...

Posted on June 29, 2020

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 4 July 2020]

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

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No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 4 July 2020]

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

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

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

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

Press release

02 Jul 2020

[Electric mobility could help clean the air and boost green jobs as part of the COVID-19 recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)

The transport sector is responsible for 15 per cent of greenhouse gas emissions in the region. New report calls to prioritize the electrification of public transport, especially when updating old bus fleets....

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 4 July 2020]

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

Updates

1 July 2020

[Shaping the 2021-2030 European Roadmap for Disaster Risk Reduction](#)

The European Forum for Disaster Risk Reduction (EFDRR) serves as forum for exchange at the regional level. The triennial EFDRR is the foremost multi-stakeholder mechanism in the region bringing together governments, the UN, Private Sector and

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[Unlocking entrepreneurship opportunities for youth could lower unemployment and bring social benefits](#)

2 July 2020, New York

UN report finds youth social entrepreneurship can create jobs and help the most underserved communities

Tearing down barriers that prevent more young people from becoming successful social entrepreneurs will contribute to advancing the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) and tackling the socio-economic impacts of COVID-19, according to a new report released today by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs...

UNESCO [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

[ECOWAS and UNESCO sign joint statement on response to COVID-19 in West African countries](#)

03/07/2020

[UNESCO cautions against false certificates claiming to authorize export of African cultural artefacts](#)

01/07/2020

UNESCO is urging utmost vigilance after receiving numerous reports of fraud and illicit trafficking in African cultural property under the cover of false documents claiming that UNESCO is authorizing such trade and even certifying the monetary value of collections.

These false documents fraudulently bear UNESCO's name and logo, sometimes using fake business cards and usurping the names of officials of the Organization. The majority of the victims of this fraud reside in France, many have links to French-speaking African countries and believe they are familiar with local practices. The cumulative damage is estimated at more than one million euros.

UNESCO is considering legal action to end these frauds and misrepresentations. The Organization calls on all who receive such offers to exercise the utmost vigilance and ensure careful verification before acting on them. It also calls on the recipients to report these offers to the appropriate judicial authorities.

According to UNESCO Director-General Audrey Azoulay, "the illicit traffic in cultural properties is a lucrative global scourge in most cases connected to other forms of organized crime, including the funding of terrorism. It affects all parts of the world, and Africa in particular. Such wrongdoing harms culture," she concluded...

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 4 July 2020]

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

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 4 July 2020]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

News and Stories

[UN-Habitat Executive Director urges international community to support resilience building in Syria](#)

Wednesday 1 July, 2020

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

Virtual Global Summit

[Regional events pave the way for global discussions on COVID-19 and the World of Work](#)

03 July 2020

Participants from five ILO regions discussed the challenges of recovery and building back better, and their conclusions will feed into discussions at a ILO virtual Global Summit.

International Day of Cooperatives

[How cooperatives can help Brazil's waste pickers build back from COVID-19](#)

03 July 2020

This year's International Day of Cooperatives on 4 July will focus on climate action. Waste pickers' cooperatives in Brazil are examples of how cooperatives can help combat climate change, while facing the challenges thrown up by the COVID-19 pandemic.

International Labour Standards

[Workers' organizations are essential to promote and put into practice ILO standards on Violence and Harassment](#)

03 July 2020

Social dialogue including collective bargaining remains a vital instrument for workers' organizations to advocate for the ratification and implementation of these new ILO standards on violence and harassment in the world of work.

Blog

[Let's talk openly about mental health in the workplace](#)

03 July 2020

With so many workers suffering the psychological consequences of the pandemic, mental health cannot remain a taboo.

June 2020

COVID-19: Stimulating the economy and employment

[As jobs crisis deepens, ILO warns of uncertain and incomplete labour market recovery](#)

30 June 2020

The International Labour Organization's latest analysis of the labour market impact of COVID-19 finds its impact on the world of work was more severe than previously estimated, and offers three scenarios for the second half of 2020.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

[New PNR Data Standards amendment to improve global counter-terrorism efforts](#)

3/7/20

[ICAO Council agrees to the safeguard adjustment for CORSIA in light of COVID-19 pandemic](#)

30/6/20

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest Press Briefings

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 4 July 2020]

http://news.upu.int/no_cache/news/

News

[How the postal service will get back on its feet after Covid-19](#)

03.07.2020

The post, a global industry that employs more than five million people and grosses billions of dollars in revenue, has been upended on a titanic scale

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[Webinar on glocalization: the effect of COVID-19 and the 4IR on integration within global value chains](#)

VIENNA, 3 July 2020 - The Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation (GMIS) Digital Series 2020 kicked-off with a high-level panel webinar addressing "glocalization: localizing production and capacity building for survival and success". The focus was on the effect of COVID-19 and the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) on integration within global value chains, the implications for micro, small and medium enterprises and the labour force, particularly in developing countries.

[What will a path to an inclusive and sustainable economic recovery from COVID-19 look like?](#)

VIENNA, 2 July 2020 – The manufacturing sector is facing its most significant challenge yet in the form of COVID-19 disruptions to both supply and demand side. As governments and business are trying to react and mitigate the short-term impact of the pandemic, UNIDO has taken a look at the potential long-term changes to industry.

[Over 1,100 applications submitted to the UNIDO Global Call "Innovative Ideas and Technologies vs. COVID-19 and beyond"](#)

ROME, 1 July 2020 – More than a thousand of participants have contributed their innovative solutions to the Global Call "Innovative Ideas and Technologies vs. COVID-19 and beyond" launched by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

By Barnaby Lewis on 3 July 2020

[New ISO standard is a breath of fresh air to wind farm operators](#)

With offshore wind providing a much-needed way to generate sustainable electricity, ISO 29400 provides guidance on the best way to manage associated operations.

Topics:

By Barnaby Lewis on 29 June 2020

[Standards hat trick for the Internet of Things](#)

Three new standards are set to help accelerate the arrival of a connected world.

29 June 2020

[COVID-19: National resources](#)

This page is dedicated to featuring national resources developed by ISO members to support the fight against COVID-19.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

Europe COVID-19

[UNWTO and Italy Look Ahead as Official Visit Marks Restart of European Tourism](#)

03 Jul 2020

All Regions COVID-19

[UNWTO and Telefónica Partner To Help Destinations Use Data and AI to Drive Tourism's Sustainable Recovery](#)

02 Jul 2020

Africa COVID-19

[UNWTO Adapts Agenda for Africa to Accelerate Tourism Recovery](#)

29 Jun 2020

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

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CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 4 July 2020]

<https://www.cbd.int/>

Announcements

[29.06.2020 Sierra Leone acceded to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety on 15 June 2020](#)

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USAID [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements

[Acting USAID Administrator John Barsa on Independence Day](#)

July 3, 2020

Since the founding of our Nation, Americans have cherished our liberty and honored those who made the ultimate sacrifice to defend it. As we celebrate and honor Independence Day, we remember all those who have upheld freedom for our country against tyranny. At the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), we have the extraordinary privilege of working to advance democracy and freedom worldwide, on behalf of the American people.

DFID [to 4 July 2020]

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

[UK aid will help provide millions of Palestinians with healthcare and education](#)

UK support will help the UN Relief and Works Agency to continue delivering on its mandate to support and protect Palestinian refugees.

Updated: 2 July 2020

[UK pledges support for Syrians facing twin threat of conflict and coronavirus](#)

International Development Secretary says the UK stands with Syrians and is providing life-saving support where it is most needed.

Updated: 30 June 2020

ECHO [to 4 July 2020]

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

[EU mobilises emergency assistance following floods in Ukraine](#)

29/06/2020

Following the devastating floods in the south-west of Ukraine last week, the EU continues to mobilise emergency assistance through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism. Intensive rains resulted in the largest flooding in the south-west of Ukraine in...

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African Union [to 4 July 2020]

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

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[Webinar on Human Rights in Africa in the Context of COVID-19](#)

June 29, 2020

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

European Commission [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press release 5 July 2020

[Coronavirus response: Team Europe supports Somalia with three EU Humanitarian Air Bridge flights](#)

Press release2 July 2020

[EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa: New assistance package to support vulnerable groups and address COVID-19 in North Africa](#)

Today, as part of the EU's global response to the coronavirus outbreak, the EU - through its Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF) - has adopted a new assistance package to protect migrants, stabilise local communities and respond to COVID-19 in North Africa.

Press release1 July 2020

[Vaccine against Ebola: Commission grants new market authorisations](#)

Today, the European Commission adopted the decision granting marketing authorisations to the company Janssen, a Johnson & Johnson company, for a vaccine against Ebola.

Press release30 June 2020

[Syrian crisis: EU mobilises an overall pledge of €6.9 billion for 2020 and beyond](#)

At the fourth Brussels Conference on "Supporting the future of Syria and the Region", the international community pledged a total of €6.9 billion for Syria and the main countries hosting Syrian refugees . The European Union overall pledged 71%, or €4.9 billion, with €2.3 billion from the Commission.

OECD [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[Government policies providing more than USD 500 billion to farmers every year distort markets, stifle innovation and harm the environment](#)

The latest edition of the OECD's annual Agricultural Policy Monitoring and Evaluation report shows that the support policies implemented by the 54 countries studied – all OECD and EU countries, plus 12 key emerging economies – provided on average USD 536 billion (EUR 469 billion) per year of direct support to farmers from 2017 to 2019.

30-June-2020

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

[OAS/CICAD and Brazil Sign Agreement to Reduce Demand for Drugs](#)

July 2, 2020

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 4 July 2020]

<https://www.oic-oci.org/>

Selected Press Releases

[OIC Welcomes the Unanimous Adoption of UN Security Council of Resolution 2532 on Global Ceasefire](#)

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) has welcomed the unanimous adoption, on 01 July 2020, of UN Security Council Resolution 2532 supporting the call of the UN Secretary General for global ceasefire and join forces in the fight against COVID-19.

05/07/2020

OIC General Secretariat Participates in the Conference on the Role of Muslim Women in Societies in times of Crises

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) participated in the first virtual women conference entitled "The Role of Muslim Women in Societies in Times of Crises" organized by the Abu Dhabi-based World Muslim Communities Council on July 04, 2020.

05/07/2020

OIC Intensifies Efforts against Fake News, Disinformation and Islamophobia

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) has increased action against disinformation and Fake News in the context of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, as media are essential and necessary tools for the fight against the novel coronavirus pandemic especially by disseminating reliable information, raising awareness, and debunking so-called fake news....

28/06/2020

A Record is Set in Clinical Trials of Vaccines against Coronavirus

The Lecture Series of Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), within the General Secretariat's intellectual activity program, resumed on June 28 with a lecture by Infectious Disease Consultant Dr Nezar Bahabri, in which he explored the "COVID-19 post-lockdown health and safety measures".

28/06/2020

Group of 77 [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 4 July 2020]

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

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Press Releases

01 Jul 2020

Global Tourism Sector set to lose at least \$1.2 trillion due to Coronavirus, UNCTAD says

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

30 June 2020

Enforcement goes online

The Covid-19 situation has meant that unfortunately the WCO has not been able to deliver face-to-face physical training to its member, since March 2020. Whilst, many Customs Administrations are adapting to staff home-working and many have used the drop in trade and travel to access training. The Compliance and Enforcement Sub-Directorate of the WCO, has addressed this by quickly moving to delivering virtual training using a mix of its e-Learning material on [CLiKC!](#) and online training delivered via interactive web based training forums.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 4 July 2020]

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

WTO News and Events

[Heads of WTO and development banks voice support for trade finance amid COVID-19 crisis](#)

1 July 2020

The heads of the WTO and six multilateral development banks on 1 July issued a joint statement promising to address shortages in trade finance, so that financial market stresses arising from the COVID-19 crisis do not prevent otherwise-viable trade transactions, including for essential goods such as food, drugs and medical equipment. They committed to do more to support trade finance providers in the coming months, and urged other institutions to join their ongoing efforts to provide vital financing support for cross-border trade.

[DDG Wolff: WTO acceding governments reconfirm value of multilateral trading system](#)

29 June 2020

At a time when the WTO is under heightened scrutiny and reform of the WTO is a subject of concern for all, the efforts undertaken by acceding governments to join the organization are a force for change, Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff said on 29 June. Speaking at the virtual opening session of the WTO's Accessions Week, DDG Wolff said that collective action and leadership are needed to meet global challenges and carry the multilateral trading system forward. Acceding governments "will help lead the way to the future," he declared. The text of his speech is below.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press releases

29/06/2020

[IPU launches anniversary book on International Day of Parliamentarism](#)

International Court of Justice [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 4 July 2020]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 4 July 2020]

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

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

The Locust Crisis: The World Bank's Response

Q. What is a locust and why is it so damaging? A. Locusts belong to a family of grasshoppers called Acrididae. The Desert Locust (*Schistocerca gregaria*), found in various parts of Africa, Asia...

Date: July 01, 2020 Type: Factsheet

World Bank Approves \$40 Million Emergency Financing to Support Somalia's Desert Locust Response

WASHINGTON, June 29, 2020 — The World Bank Board of Directors today approved a \$40 million International Development Assistance (IDA) grant for Somalia as part of the Emergency Locust Response Program...

Date: June 29, 2020 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 4 July 2020]

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

News, Announcements

July 1, 2020

Digital Financial Inclusion in the Times of COVID-19 – IMF Blog

Financial inclusion benefits economies and societies as a whole. ... The task ahead ... Fintech firms also indicated a global shortage of “coders”—software developers and ...

June 29, 2020

Vietnam's Success in Containing COVID-19 Offers Roadmap for Other Developing Countries

The father of the Vietnamese nation, Ho Chi Minh, once noted that: “The storm is a good opportunity for the pine and the cypress to show their strength and their stability.” Vietnam has so far shown strength and stability in weathering the COVID-19 storm, and offers a successful example of how a developing country can fight a pandemic.

June 29, 2020

Sub-Saharan Africa: A Cautious Reopening

Sub-Saharan Africa: A Cautious Reopening

June 29, 2020

Six Charts that Show Sub-Saharan Africa's Sharpest Economic Contraction Since the 1970s

News ... The region's outlook is subject to much uncertainty. ... Here are six charts that tell the story. ... Growth in SSA is projected to recover only gradually assuming that the pandemic ...

African Development Bank Group [to 4 July 2020]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of No new digest content identified.]

Ethiopia: African Development Fund approves \$165 million grant for national COVID-19 emergency response

03-Jul-2020 - The Board of Directors of the African Development Fund (ADF) on 3 July approved a grant of \$165.08 million to support Ethiopia's response to the health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, including helping to ease fiscal pressures on the economy.

[African Development Bank joins WTO and other MDBs to support trade finance amid COVID-19 crisis](#)

02-Jul-2020 - The African Development Bank Group has joined the World Trade Organisation and other multilateral development banks to reduce trade finance gaps that emerge as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In a joint press release issued 1 July 2020, the institutions said they would prioritize their support to areas in the world where such support is needed most, particularly the poorest countries.

[African Development Fund approves \\$9.52 million to enhance coordinated COVID-19 response in East and Horn of Africa and the Comoros](#)

30-Jun-2020 - The Board of Directors of the African Development Fund (ADF) have approved grants totaling \$9.52 million to strengthen responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in East Africa and the Horn, and in the Comoros. The grant, approved on 26 June, is part of the \$10 billion COVID-19 Rapid Response Facility (CRF) approved by the Board of Directors in April 2020 and complements the Bank's direct support to regional member countries across the continent.

Asian Development Bank [to 4 July 2020]

<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]
3 Jul 2020

[ADB Becomes Observer for the Network for Greening the Financial System](#)

ADB joined the Central Banks and Supervisors Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS) as an observer on 23 June.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 4 July 2020]

<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]

News

Beijing, China, July 03, 2020

[USD500-M COVID-19 Loans from AIIB to Increase Access to Liquidity in Turkey](#)

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank's (AIIB) Board of Directors has approved loans totaling USD500 million to two development banks in Turkey, backed by a government guarantee, to alleviate liquidity constraints faced by Turkish companies in infrastructure and other productive sectors as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Beijing, China, July 01, 2020

[AIIB Approves First Loan to Maldives in Support of COVID-19 Response](#)

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank's (AIIB) Board of Directors has approved a loan of USD7.3 million to the Maldives to strengthen the country's health response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

03 JUL

[The Democratic Republic of the Congo and IFAD partner for better nutrition and resilience for small-scale farmers facing COVID-19](#)

2 JUL

[Peru: New IFAD-funded project to help family farmers to increase productivity and recover from COVID-19](#)

Islamic Development Bank [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

Palestine

[News Report on the role of IsDB Group in supporting socioeconomic development in Palestine](#)

IsDB provides US\$35.7 million to Palestine to fight COVID-19 and leads several important initiatives aimed at job creation and economic empowerment of the Palestinians.

3 July 2020

[IsDB provides US\\$60 million supplementary funding to support the polio eradication programme in Pakistan and US\\$10 million to support ICBA in UAE](#)

30 June 2020

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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 4 July 2020]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

Nigeria

[Action contre la Faim condamne l'enlèvement d'un de ses travailleurs humanitaires dans l'État de Borno](#)

29 juin 2020

Action contre la Faim condamne avec la plus grande fermeté l'enlèvement de son employé Ishaiku Yakubu et demande sa libération immédiate.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 4 July 2020]

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

PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 4 July 2020]

<https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/>

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 4 July 2020]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest

July 01, 2020

[An Audacious expansion for BRAC's global Graduation agenda](#)

June 29, 2020

[COVID-19 will change many women's lives forever in Bangladesh](#)

Clubhouse International [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 4 July 2020]

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

NEWS

[DRC reaction to the Brussels IV conference on supporting Syria and the region](#)

In a reaction to the Brussels IV conference on 30 June organised by the European Union and co-hosted by the UN, the Danish Refugee Council's Secretary General, Charlotte Slente, commented:

30.06.2020

[INGOs concerned upsurge in fighting in Rakhine State will cause greater hunger, displacement and vulnerability](#)

As international humanitarian organisations working with communities throughout Rakhine State, we express deep concern for all those affected by the upsurge in fighting between the Arakan Army (AA) and the Myanmar Military in northern Rakhine State.

30.06.2020

ECPAT [to 4 July 2020]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 4 July 2020]

<https://hi.org/en/index>

All news

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[Burkina Faso: Anyone being held must be treated with humanity and dignity](#)

Ouagadougou (ICRC) – The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is alarmed at the erosion of respect for international humanitarian law in Burkina Faso over the last few months.

03-07-2020 | News release

[Cyberattacks against medical facilities pose a real risk to humans – in times of pandemics, in times of conflict, at all times](#)

Check against delivery by Mr.

02-07-2020 | Statement

[Six Essential Lessons for a Pandemic Response in Humanitarian Settings](#)

Check against delivery, 2 July 2020 Chair, excellencies. Thank you for the opportunity to brief you today. Conflict zones are the sharp end of pandemics.

02-07-2020 | Statement

[See Week in Review above for full text]

[International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement statement on building an environment free from racism and discrimination](#)

Movement statement on ensuring an environment free from all discrimination and racism.

01-07-2020 | Statement

[Syria: As economic crisis bites, lack of humanitarian access costs lives every day](#)

As the tenth anniversary of the Syria conflict approaches, millions of people are being pushed towards deeper poverty and hunger.

30-06-2020 | News release

[Kuwait: High-Level Policy Dialogue explores COVID-19 humanitarian challenges](#)

High-Level Policy Dialogue explores the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in Kuwait and the Middle East region.

29-06-2020 | News release

[Kuwait: Third High-Level Policy Dialogue joint statement](#)

The ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait, the ICRC and Kuwait Red Crescent Society participated in the third High-Level Policy Dialogue.

29-06-2020 | Statement

[Annual Report 2019](#)

The Annual Report 2019 is an account of the field activities the ICRC conducted worldwide over the year.

29-06-2020 | Report

IFRC [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

Asia Pacific, Bangladesh

[Early action to save lives in Bangladesh amid severe flood forecast](#)

Dhaka/Kuala Lumpur/Geneva, 30 June 2020: Urgent early action is being taken to protect lives in Bangladesh as floods threaten 4.1 million people in large areas across the country that are already grappling with COVID-19. The Global Flood Awareness Syst ...

30 June 2020

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 4 July 2020]

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

Story

[Preventing Acute Malnutrition in Somalia's IDP Camps](#)

July 2, 2020

Somalia

Written by Beatrice Munyiva,

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 4 July 2020]

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

Media highlights

Press Release

[Iraq: 600% rise in COVID-19 cases through June means urgent action is needed to slow the spread of the disease](#)

July 2, 2020

Press Release

[U.S. Court ruling that children of asylum-seekers must be released from detention lacks necessary provisions for parents; risks further family separation](#)

July 1, 2020

Statement

[IRC Statement regarding Northeast Nigeria](#)

June 29, 2020

Press Release

[Hunger spreading across Syria amid COVID-19 and economic collapse](#)

June 28, 2020

IRCT [to 4 July 2020]

<https://irct.org/>

Latest News

News 03 Jul 2020

[We supported 57071 survivors of torture in 2019!](#)

We have concluded a large scale impact assessment for 2019. The numbers say it all! 52% of survivors live in poverty, 19% suffer from gender-based violence and a whopping 57071 survivors supported - the road to a world without torture long. But with our 158 centres around the globe, we can learn from the data and pressure governments to take responsibility. We will continue our commitment to provide life-saving rehabilitation support to survivors and to reach the thousands more out there in need of healthcare and rehabilitation services.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

Appeals

[Islamic Relief ramps up support in Yemen as Covid-19 spreads](#)

Published: 3 July, 2020

Blogs

[Can microfinance soften the economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic?](#)

Published: 1 July, 2020

Landsea [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.landesa.org/press-and-media-categories/press-releases/>
No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.medecinsdumonde.org/>
News
No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases>
News Releases & Alerts
June 29, 2020

[Syria Crisis: Hunger Spreading Amid Covid and Economic Collapse](#)

International agencies call for Brussels Conference to address fall-out from the pandemic Syrians who have already...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.msf.org/>
Latest [Selected Announcements]
Lebanon

[COVID-19 and economic downfall reveal migrant workers' mental health cr...](#)

Report 3 Jul 2020

Women's health

[Women and girls face greater dangers during COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Project Update 2 Jul 2020

Mozambique

["It was like the end of the world" during attack in northern Mozambique](#)

Voices from the Field 30 Jun 2020

Syria

[Life in an open-air prison: living under the bombs in Idlib](#)

Voices from the Field 29 Jun 2020

Venezuela

[MSF helps fight against malaria in Venezuela's Sucre state](#)

Project Update 29 Jun 2020

Operation Smile [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.operationsmile.org/press-office>
[Program Schedule](#)

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

Operation Smile Branding Video Racks Up Awards

United States SOURCE: The NonProfit Times

News

Posted 6/10/2020

"Love Always Prevails," a three-minute film from medical service nonprofit Operation Smile has won the Not-For-Profit and Government category in the Brand . . .

OXFAM [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected News/Announcements

Greece's new asylum system designed to deport, not protect, warn the Greek Council for Refugees and Oxfam

1 July 2020

The new Greek asylum system is designed to deport people rather than offer them safety and protection, warned the Greek Council for Refugees (GCR) and Oxfam today.

UN Security Council ceasefire resolution long overdue - Oxfam reaction

1 July 2020

In reaction to the Security Council passing its Coronavirus Ceasefire Resolution, Oxfam's Head of Humanitarian Campaigns and Advocacy, Fionna Smyth, said: "The UN Security Council's unanimous vote to support the UN Secretary General's call for a global ceasefire and to help fight COVID-19 is welcome—and is long overdue."

Oxfam comment on Israel's plan to illegally annex parts of the West Bank

1 July 2020

This serious—and likely irreversible— plan to acquire occupied territory by force is a violation of the most basic principles of international law.

Pledges at Brussels IV conference not enough to address the Syrian crisis

30 June 2020

The pledges made by donor governments are simply not enough to address the Syrian crisis, said Oxfam in reaction to the outcome of the Brussels IV conference on Syria and the region.

Syria crisis: Hunger spreading amid Covid and economic collapse

29 June 2020

Syrians who have already endured almost a decade of war and displacement are now facing unprecedented levels of hunger leaving millions of people acutely vulnerable to Covid-19, international agencies warned today ahead of a key annual conference on the crisis.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest news

Press release

Africa | 01. Jul 2020

[Vulnerable people across East Africa forcibly evicted during pandemic](#)

Over 70,000 people, many of whom are internally displaced, were forcibly evicted from their homes in urban areas across East Africa even during the most prevalent months of the Covid-19 pandemic - a new report reveals.

Pact [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News

June 26, 2020

[As Covid-19 underscores the vulnerability of artisanal miners, Pact and partners gather data for solutions](#)

There is no question that Covid-19 is taking a significant economic toll across the developing world. The pandemic is now expected to push 71 million... [r](#)

Partners In Health [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

Jun 30, 2020

[Need To Know: Social Support](#)

Social support is an essential part of how PIH uniquely approaches patient care. It comes in many forms, but mostly entails the provision of food, housing, transportation, education, and job security to patients and their families. [Read More](#)

Jun 29, 2020

[Innovation: Malawi Critical Care Study Adapted for COVID-19 Response](#)

The PIH-supported hospital survey identifies resource gaps and helps Malawi plan for immediate and long-term capacity improvements. [Read More](#)

Jun 29, 2020

[COVID-19 Contact Tracing Explained](#)

Contact tracing is a vital way to stop the spread of deadly infectious diseases, from Ebola to COVID-19, and is explained in this animated video. [Read More](#)

PATH [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[Join PATH Virtually at AIDS 2020](#)

July 2, 2020 by PATH

Driving client-centered, differentiated services to turn the tide towards HIV epidemic control

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

1 July 2020 - *Global*

'Armed groups who ignore this ceasefire-resolution must be held to account'

30 June 2020 - *Brussels, Syria*

'Pledged funds for Syria are painful as the needs of Syrian children only continue to grow'

30 June 2020 - *Myanmar*

Twenty aid agencies in Myanmar call for full access to conflict-affected Rakhine and Chin States in the wake of increased violence

29 June 2020 - *Afghanistan*

Save the Children: 'This war on children needs to stop now'

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 4 July 2020]

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

All News

WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Venezuelan unaccompanied young people's urge for stability

July 4 2020 - Over four million people have left Venezuela. The UN agency for refugees (UNHCR) estimates that 25,000 unaccompanied children and youth have travelled to neighbouring countries to escape the violence and economic chaos back home.

West Africa

COVID-19 economic backlash threatens progress in reducing child labour

July 3 2020 - Although the coronavirus has been slow to take hold on the continent, hotspots have emerged with a scale and depth of financial shock forcing many families to resort to child labour to meet basic needs and deal with uncertainty.

Tostan [to 4 July 2020]

<http://www.tostan.org>

News

Scaling Systems Change: Norms that Transform

Jun 30, 2020

Tostan CEO Elena Bonometti hosted a conversation with Faustina Fynn-Nyame and Dr. Rebecka Lundgren. Faustina Fynn-Nyame is the Executive Director for Africa and Sector lead for Child Health and Development, at The Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF) and Dr..

Women for Women International [to 4 July 2020]

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

Article

July 1, 2020

By: [Audry Shematsi](#)

[We are Congolese Women, and We Are Leaders](#)

Democratic Republic of the Congo

World Vision [to 4 July 2020]

<http://wvi.org/>

Newsroom

[Syria crisis: Hunger spreading amid Covid and economic collapse](#)

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

Press Release | July 2, 2020

[Hundreds of Police Departments with Deadly Histories Partner with Amazon's Ring Surveillance Cameras](#)

San Francisco – [Research](#) by the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) shows that hundreds of U.S. police departments with deadly histories have official partnerships with Amazon's Ring—a home-surveillance company that makes it easy to send video footage to law enforcement. Ring sells networked cameras, often bundled with doorbells or lighting...

Freedom House [to 4 July 2020]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

Latest Updates

[Russia: Constitutional Vote Shamelessly Co-opts the People's Will](#)

Press release

July 3, 2020

[Democratic Republic of Congo: Judicial Independence Under Threat](#)

Press release

July 2, 2020

[Georgia: Government and Opposition Join Forces on Electoral Reform Compromise](#)

Press release

July 1, 2020

Human Rights Watch [to 4 July 2020]

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

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

July 2, 2020

[Yemen: Aden Detainees Face Dire Covid-19 Risk](#)

Detainees at a detention facility in Yemen's southern Aden governorate face serious health risks from the rapidly spreading Covid-19 pandemic.

July 2, 2020 *News Release*

Djibouti: Protect Jailed Air Force Pilot's Rights

Asia

June 30, 2020 *News Release*

Afghanistan: Taliban Rights Efforts Fall Far Short

Canada

June 29, 2020 *News Release*

Canada: Bring Home ISIS Suspects and Relatives from Syria

Transparency International [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

Guatemala: authorities must respect independence of courts and swiftly resolve the judicial crisis

Transparency International is deeply concerned about the current judicial crisis in Guatemala.

"Guatemala is facing an institutional crisis instigated by those who seek impunity for corruption...."

03 July 2020

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ChildFund Alliance [to 4 July 2020]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

News/ Statements

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 4 July 2020]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

To be connected ... or not to be? Is there any choice these days?

Jun 30, 2020 | [Director's Blog](#)

With around half of the world's population still not connected, those who remain in the analog world risk being left far behind. Our investments today reflect society's commitment to the future, so let's ensure that we bridge the digital divide for lasting prosperity and equality.

The Elders [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

Statement

The Elders urge European leaders to stand firm on Israeli annexation threats

03 Jul 2020

The Elders have called on European leaders to maintain their resolve against Israel's plans to annex swathes of the West Bank, and to insist that any such moves would have negative political and economic consequences for bilateral relations.

News

[Palestinian perspectives on the future](#)

01 Jul 2020

The Elders' Head of Programmes, Jane Kinninmont, writes on Palestinian youth perspectives that were highlighted in a recent virtual dialogue, held as a collaboration between The Elders and The Carter Center.

Evidence Aid [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest Content

[Interventions to improve the labour market outcomes of young people](#)Added July 2, 2020

[Financial inclusion programmes in low- and middle-income countries](#)Added July 2, 2020

[Pharmacist-led patient counseling appear to have some benefits](#)Added July 2, 2020

[General health checks in adults have little or no effect on reducing serious morbidity and mortality](#)Added July 2, 2020

[Children and COVID-19 \(search done on 9 March 2020\)](#)Added July 1, 2020

[Social distancing in the workplace reduced the transmission of influenza](#)Added July 1, 2020

[mHealth application areas and technology combinations \(evidence up to August 2015\)](#)Added July 1, 2020

[Emergency surgery during the COVID-19 pandemic \(evidence up to 30 March 2020\)](#)Added July 1, 2020

[Face masks to stop the transmission of respiratory viruses from infected people](#)Added July 1, 2020

[Face masks in the community setting, as a protection against respiratory viruses](#)Added July 1, 2020

Gavi [to 4 July 2020]

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

News releases

3 July 2020

[New private sector commitments to fund access to future COVID-19 vaccines announced at international pledging summit](#)

:: Global technology company TransferWise and a donor which asked to remain anonymous made significant financial commitments to Gavi's Advance Market Commitment for COVID-19 Vaccines ([Gavi COVAX AMC](#))

:: The new financing mechanism to support affordable access for developing countries is part of a broader COVAX Facility aimed at securing global access to eventual COVID-19 vaccines

:: The commitments were made at the Global Goal: Unite for our Future summit, organised by the European Commission and Global Citizen

Getty Conservation Institute [to 4 July 2020]

<https://www.getty.edu/research/>

Latest News

[The Legacy of Paul Revere Williams](#)

Getty Research Institute has partnered with the USC School of Architecture to acquire the renowned architect's archive

[Amy Hood](#) | June 30, 2020

Global Fund [to 4 July 2020]

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

Videos

[Germany Pledges €150 Million to Global Fund COVID-19 Response at Global Citizen Summit](#)

30 June 2020

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 4 July 2020]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources, events, content

Upcoming events

[GBV Risk Mitigation](#)

July 29, 2020 - 11:00am to 1:00pm

Online

[Nutrition in COVID-19, working in partnership: PowerPoint Presentation](#)

July, 2020

United Nations (UN)

InterAction [to 4 July 2020]

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

Blog Post

[Six Books About Human Rights You Should Read This Summer](#)

Jeremy Doran
Jul 1, 2020

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Publications

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 4 July 2020]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

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Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

26 Jun 2020

[COVID-19 Portal Update](#)

Week of 29 June

As we've seen through the wealth of resources relating to COVID-19 response, the pandemic has exacerbated a number of existing challenges. This week, we're highlighting 3 resources that address violence against vulnerable groups.

[Read more...](#)

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 4 July 2020]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[Researching Violence Against Health Care](#)

01.07.2020

Today we publish our new report, *Researching Violence Against Health Care: Gaps and Priorities*, in partnership with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). The report identifies key

evidence gaps that need to be filled through rigorous research if we are to identify solutions to both prevent, and protect health care from violence.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 4 July 2020]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News

1 July 2020

[Phase 2 of COVID19 website: Covid19humanitarian.com](http://www.covid19humanitarian.com)

As COVID19 infections top 10 million worldwide, today www.covid19humanitarian.com enters phase 2. This website provides a wide range of COVID19 programme guidance and field experience summaries and from today the site offers a more intuitive user experience and mapping of field experience summaries.

Phase 2 will also include analysis of the guidance and field experiences, to identify trends, success factors and challenges encountered...

29 June 2020

[Our new vision and name: Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies](#)

We are proud to announce that from today we become the Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies, formerly known as CERAH, the Geneva Centre for Education and Research in Humanitarian Action. Our new name is simple, yet effective. It reflects our new vision and the various services we will offer from July 2020: a wide range of specialist and academic courses on humanitarian action, both online and residential, in Geneva and around the world, closer to where professionals work; integrated, evidence-based research looking at trends and changes in the sector; and policy events on contemporary topics affecting the humanitarian sector.

We will expand our values of diversity, quality, ethical action and independence in our training, research and other activities.

While we continue to be supported by the University of Geneva and the Graduate Institute of International & Development Studies, as well as benefitting from key partnerships with Médecins Sans Frontières and the International Committee of the Red Cross, we are working on expanding and strengthening collaborations with new partners.

Our Director, Prof. Karl Blanchet, presents the Centre new vision and direction...

Groupe URD [to 4 July 2020]

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

Publications

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 4 July 2020]

<https://ihsa.info/>

Resources

[Weekly Humanitarian blog posts selection](#)

Selection#14 (22nd to 28th of June)

Supporting localisation and tackling corruption in aid

This week, for the first time, we have more blog posts on humanitarian issues generally rather than on Covid-19. These issues include: the need to support local leadership in tackling disasters and

climate change, to address corruption in the aid sector, and to reform the UN. Also highlighted are the humanitarian implications of the DFID merger with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, including for Covid-impacted Africa. So Covid-related humanitarian issues are still with us. This week's posts also show how government policies, determine whether and how the virus is brought under control. We include two posts that reflect on why the North American and Brazilian central governments, have failed to contain the virus. Other blog posts urge the need to consider Covid's impact on the ability to respond to disasters and their interaction with other crises.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[**John Goodwin on how Covid-19 will change education**](#)

Quartz

1 July 2020

It took a global pandemic and stay-at-home orders for 1.5 billion people worldwide, but something is finally occurring to us: The future we thought we expected may not be the one we get. We know that things will change; how they'll change is a mystery.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 4 July 2020]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news

No new digest content identified.

Sphere [to 4 July 2020]

<https://spherestandards.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 4 July 2020]

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

News and Blog

[**How the National Humanitarian Network in Pakistan continues the work of Start Network in strengthening local capacity**](#)

by Helen Guyatt

29 Jun 20

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Brookings

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

Accessed 4 July 2020

Latest Research

China

[**Balancing act: Major powers and the global response to US-China great power competition**](#)

Fiona Hill, Tanvi Madan, Amanda Sloat, Mireya Solís, Constanze Stelzenmüller, Bruce Jones, Emilie Kimball, Jesse I. Kornbluth, and Ted Reinert
July 2020

India

[Mining and Jurisprudence: Observations for India's mining sector to improve environmental and social performance](#)

Srestha Banerjee

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

Higher Education

[Education and the dynamics of middle-class status](#)

Bradley Hardy and Dave Marcotte

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

Environment

[The TAP-Plus approach to anti-corruption in the natural resource value chain](#)

Norman Eisen, Daniel Kaufmann, Nathaniel Heller, J. Preston Whitt, Mario Picon, Victoria Bassetti, and John Hudak

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Center for Global Development [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Publications, News and Events

July 1, 2020

[Beyond COVID-19: A Whole of Health Look at Impacts During the Pandemic Response](#)

Substantial evidence has emerged relating to the potential magnitude of the indirect health effects of the coronavirus pandemic. This paper provides an overview of the lessons learned from previous outbreaks and economic crises in relation to indirect health effects as well as a framework for adopting a whole of health approach to the COVID response.

Y-Ling Chi , Lydia Regan , Cassandra Nemzoff , Carleigh Krubiner , Yasmine Anwar and Damian Walker

June 30, 2020

[Reforming UK Research and Development ODA for Maximum Development Impact](#)

Lee Robinson, Euan Ritchie, and Charles Kenny explore how the UK can heighten its R&D official development assistance spend.

Lee Robinson , Euan Ritchie and Charles Kenny

June 30, 2020

[Women's Access to Cash Transfers in Light of COVID-19: The Case of Pakistan](#)

In this policy note, we highlight Pakistan's Ehsaas Emergency Cash program as a case study, as well as several other examples of cash transfer programs mobilized by governments in light of COVID-19, to reflect how this sort of preliminary analysis can be done.

Shelby Bourgault and Megan O'Donnell

June 30, 2020

[Aid-Financed Mechanisms for Technology Development](#)

This paper outlines the broad rationale for approaches beyond patents to support the development of technologies specifically useful to developing countries and the role for aid-funded approaches within that

[Lee Robinson](#) , [Euan Ritchie](#) and [Charles Kenny](#)

June 30, 2020

[Testimony on COVID-19 and U.S. International Pandemic Preparedness](#)

On June 30, 2020, CGD senior policy fellow Jeremy Konyndyk testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at a hearing titled "COVID-19 and U.S. International Pandemic Preparedness, Prevention, and Response: Additional Perspectives." Konyndyk's testimony highlighted key elements needed for an effective US approach to pandemic preparedness and response and examined the role of the critical role played by the World Health Organization in responding to global health crises.

[Jeremy Konyndyk](#)

CSIS [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[Chronology of Possible Russian Gray Area and Hybrid Warfare Operations](#)

July 2, 2020 | [Anthony H. Cordesman](#) Civil, political, and economic gray zone operations illustrate the range and depth of Russian gray zone activities, writes CSIS's Burke Chair in Strategy.

Report

[The Rule of Law and Sustainable Development](#)

July 1, 2020 | [James Michel](#) Rule of law is widely recognized as essential to governance and sustainable development but is complex to define. This new report examines how trends in development policy has shaped global support for the rule of law and explores how to enhance its impact on development.

Report

[Party on the Bridge: Political Commissars in the Chinese Navy](#)

June 29, 2020 As China's global maritime power grows, understanding the influence of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) over China's navy is crucial. One of the most important instruments of CCP authority over the military is the political commissar—a role that remains misunderstood.

Report

[Strategic Dialogue: Shaping the Iraqi-U.S. Relationship](#)

June 29, 2020 | [Anthony H. Cordesman](#) The United States and Iraq must look beyond the immediate security challenges and address Iraqi politics, economy, and overall security in order to create a lasting strategic relationship, writes CSIS's Burke Chair in Strategy.

ODI [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[Statement: Sir Suma Chakrabarti new Chair of ODI Board](#)

Press release | 2 July 2020

ODI today announced the appointment of Sir Suma Chakrabarti, as the new Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Sir Suma brings extensive experience in international development, government and finance, including most recently leading the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). During Sir Suma's Presidency of EBRD (2012 to 2020) he expanded the institution's geographical focus to the Middle East, and placed greater focus on supporting the poorest countries and delivering the Sustainable Development Goals. He also expanded the EBRD's membership to include all G20 countries.

Sir Suma was previously Permanent Secretary at the UK Departments for International Development and Ministry of Justice (2002 to 2012). He started his international development career as an [ODI Fellow](#) in Botswana in the early 1980s...

[Implementing the IASC Guidelines on inclusion of persons with disabilities in humanitarian action](#)

Briefing papers | June 2020 | Veronique Barbelet and Tom Palmer

Highlighting strategies for using the IASC Guidelines to mainstream disability inclusion within humanitarian interventions.

[Africa's economic transformation: the role of Chinese investment](#)

Research reports and studies | June 2020 | Linda Calabrese and Xiaoyang Tang

This report uses evidence from DEGRP research and beyond to assess whether and how Chinese investment in Africa has contributed to economic transformation.

[RoRI \[Research on Research Institute\]](#) [to 4 July 2020]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

We're an open and independent new initiative providing data, analysis and intelligence on how to make research systems more strategic, open, diverse and inclusive.

RoRI News

[International study to examine lottery-based research funding](#)

Grant funders to assess whether randomly picking 'middle-level' research projects for funding is fairer, more efficient and better for science

July 1, 2020

By [Jack Grove](#)

... The work by the consortium, whose members include UK Research and Innovation, the Australian Research Council and America's National Institute for Health Research, will focus on experiments by funders as they consider whether more random allocation of grants, rather than purely "excellence-based" decisions, can reduce "unconscious bias". Earlier this week, UKRI [published](#) research showing that grant success rates for women and ethnic minority researchers were significantly lower than those of male and white academics...

[Urban Institute](#) [to 4 July 2020]

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

Publications

[The OCC's Final CRA Rule Improves Upon the Proposed Rule but Remains Unsatisfactory](#)

On May 20, 2020, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency issued a final set of regulations intended to modernize the Community Reinvestment Act. While some improvements were made from

the proposed regulations, the new regulations suffer from four big problems: There is no evidence of the impact of the new regulations; The primary metric used for assessing CRA compliance neglects community needs; The

[Laurie Goodman](#), [Ellen Seidman](#), [Jun Zhu](#)

July 2, 2020

Brief

[Assessment of Warren County's CARE Project](#)

This brief presents interim findings from the first year of Urban's assessment of Warren County, Ohio's Child Assessment and Response Evaluation (CARE) project. CARE—a cross-agency initiative between law enforcement, first responders, and child service agencies--was designed to quickly assess children's exposure to trauma after witnessing an adult's substance overdose and connect families to services and [Lindsey Cramer](#), [Nell Godellas](#)

July 1, 2020

Brief

[Description of the Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model's Revamped Health Module](#)

This report describes the Tax Policy Center (TPC) Microsimulation Model's revamped health module. The TPC tax model uses the health module for simulating tax expenditures for health care, analyzing changes in the tax treatment of employer-provided health benefits, and evaluating health-related taxes and credits. The new health module improves upon the prior one in a number of ways. The new health module is

[Gordon B. Mermin](#), [Matthew Buettgens](#)

July 1, 2020

Research Report

[Effects of Tax Incentives on Homeownership](#)

Federal tax law provides several tax benefits for homeowners. This chartbook focuses on the home mortgage interest deduction. We provide updated estimates of the distributional effects of the home mortgage interest deduction, show how those estimates could change if people pay down their home mortgages in response to an elimination of the deduction, and provide estimates of revenue-neutral reform alternatives

[Chenxi Lu](#), [Eric Toder](#), [Surachai Khitatrakun](#), [Robert McClelland](#)

July 1, 2020

Brief

[Employment, Income, and Unemployment Insurance during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to take a severe toll on the US labor market. In this brief, we examine the pandemic's effects on US adults' employment and incomes and the extent to which those suffering economic hardship have been able to access unemployment benefits. To do so, we use new data from the first wave of the Urban Institute's Coronavirus Tracking Survey, a nationally representative survey of

[Gregory Acs](#), [Michael Karpman](#)

June 30, 2020

Brief

[Unemployment Insurance and Economic Impact Payments Associated with Reduced Hardship Following CARES Act](#)

In this brief, we examine how material hardship and worries about meeting basic needs changed after implementation of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which expanded eligibility and benefits for unemployment insurance (UI) and authorized one-time economic impact payments to most US households to mitigate the negative economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To do so, we use new

[Michael Karpman](#), [Gregory Acs](#)

June 30, 2020

Brief

Harmful Traditional Practices in Urban Settings

Harmful traditional practices (HTPs) are forms of gender-based violence, sustained by tradition, that are destructive to the well-being of women and girls subjected to them and to their communities' development prospects. HTPs are often seen as primarily issues in rural areas, but the available evidence suggests a more nuanced picture. This brief seeks to better understand the drivers of HTPs in urban areas and

[Matthew Eldridge](#), [Reehana Raza](#)

June 30, 2020

Research Report

Gender-Based Violence on Public Transportation

Women traveling on public transportation in cities experience gender-based violence, particularly sexual harassment, which harms their social and economic well-being. Several interventions to address gender-based violence on public transportation are gaining traction, although the evidence base supporting them is limited. Strategies that address this violence should acknowledge that (1) women have specific needs

[James Ladi Williams](#), [Ammar A. Malik](#), [Sara McTarnaghan](#)

June 30, 2020

Research Report

The COVID-19 Pandemic – Insurer Insights Into Challenges, Implications, and Lessons Learned

This brief examines insurer responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. We conducted structured discussions with 25 different insurers across the country to assess the impact the pandemic has had on their companies as well as actions they have taken to aid in the pandemic response. From a coverage perspective it appears that many employers have kept workers enrolled in benefits longer than anticipated and so insurers

[Kevin Lucia](#), [Linda J. Blumberg](#), [Emily Curran](#), [John Holahan](#), [Erik Wengle](#), [Olivia Hoppe](#), [Sabrina Corlette](#)

June 29, 2020

Brief

The Wistar Institute [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Released

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 4 July 2020]

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

Media

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 4 July 2020]

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

News

Press Release

[The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, The Mark Foundation for Cancer Research and The Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group Partner to Award \\$6.75M in New Grants to Drive the Next Wave of Novel Cancer Therapies](#)

July 1, 2020

New "Blood Cancer Discoveries Grant Program" supported by a novel three-way collaboration

... The grants are awarded to researchers seeking to understand the biological underpinnings of various blood cancers, what causes them to develop and grow, or become resistant to treatments. Each project will be supported by an award of \$750,000 over a three-year period...

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 4 July 2020]

<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.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Release

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 4 July 2020]

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.

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

The Latest

29 June 2020

[Funders join forces to advance a global economy that works for people and the planet.](#)

The Response & Vision Fund launches today to support community-led and civil society organizations, workers' rights groups and social movements that work with those most impacted by the economic fallout of Covid-19.

29 June 2020

[Foundations Establish \\$5 Million Covid-19 Response Fund to Focus on the Global Economy](#)

Working people in the global South have been devastated by the economic fallout from COVID-19. This piece in the Chronicle of Philanthropy explores how funders joined forced to launch the Response and Vision Fund to advance a global economy that benefits all people and the planet.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 4 July 2020]

<http://news.getty.edu/>

Latest News

June 30, 2020

[Architect Paul Revere Williams' Archive Jointly Acquired by USC School of Architecture and Getty Research Institute](#)

... Paul Revere Williams was the most significant African American architect of the 20th century, with especially strong ties to Southern California and the city of Los Angeles. Documenting the entirety of Williams' career, from his early residential commissions during Los Angeles' housing boom of the 1920s to landmark mid-century civic structures, the archive includes approximately 35,000 plans, 10,000 original drawings, blueprints and project diazotypes, hand-colored renderings, vintage photographs, correspondence, and other materials...

GHIT Fund [to 4 July 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

<https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases>

Press Releases

[Grameen Foundation plays important role in development of Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies' newly approved Ebola vaccine](#)

07/02/2020

As part of the EBODAC (Ebola Vaccine Deployment, Acceptance and Compliance) consortium, Grameen used MOTECH, its innovative mobile health platform, to help accelerate the vaccine through multiple clinical trials across three continents.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest Updates

[Kicking off our strategy refresh for international reproductive health](#)

By [Althea D. Anderson](#) and [Janet Holt](#)

July 2, 2020

We are excited to share that we have launched the strategy refresh process for our [international reproductive health](#) (IRH) grantmaking. Our Global Development and Population program director [Dana Hovig](#) noted in January that this process happens every five years or so across all of our grantmaking areas to ensure we keep our commitment to practicing [good habits with our grantee partners](#) and [outcome-focused philanthropy](#). Our prior strategy was launched in 2014, with two long-term goals: ensure no woman has an unwanted pregnancy and no woman dies from an unsafe abortion. We remain committed to working towards these important areas of sexual and reproductive health and rights for all women, while asking ourselves how we can better support the field in the future. All Hewlett program officers are [limited to eight-year terms](#)...

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Our News

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Stories

[Renewable energy access boosts rural jobs in Africa](#)

Our new partnership with the Carbon Trust will use renewable energy to create sustainable jobs, reduce poverty and empower women in rural communities in sub-Saharan Africa. The IKEA Foundation has...

June 25, 2020

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 4 July 2020]

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

Research Jul 1 2020

[New Way to See RNA Could Help Fight Pathogens](#)

Scientists have found a new way to identify genetic modifications to transfer RNAs that could be important in a wide variety of diseases.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

July 1, 2020 *News Release*

[KFF's Kaiser Health News \(KHN\), AP Investigate the State of the Nation's Public Health Infrastructure as It Confronts the Challenge of the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

A new investigation from KHN and The Associated Press examines the troubling state of the public health infrastructure the nation is relying on to navigate the health and economic threats presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kellogg Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[La June Montgomery Tabron receives prestigious Oxford Fellowship](#)

July 1, 2020

Aga Khan Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

2 July 2020

[COVID-19 support in Khatlon and Sughd regions](#)

30 June 2020

[Aga Khan Health Services and AFD sign agreement to establish infectious disease units in Dar es Salaam and Mwanza](#)

MacArthur Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

July 1, 2020 | *Grantee News Human Rights, Population & Reproductive Health*

[Protecting Rights through COVID-19 in Mexico](#)

Civil society organizations in Mexico are supporting communities that bear the brunt of COVID-19's impact and working to protect civil liberties and human rights during the pandemic. It is essential to ensure continued access to reproductive rights, criminal justice, and protect migrants, women, Indigenous people, people who are incarcerated, and victims of human rights violations. Based on conversations with our communities and civil society organizations, MacArthur's Mexico City office has made \$500,000 in grants to support the following organizations responding to the pandemic, documenting outcomes, supporting the civil society infrastructure, and advocating for permanent change. All grants support collective work beyond the primary recipient of the funds to reach those in need...

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

<https://mellon.org/>

Mellon News, Press Releases

[The Mellon Foundation Announces Transformation of its Strategic Direction and New Focus on Social Justice](#)

NEW YORK, June 30, 2020 – The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation today announced a major strategic evolution for its organization, prioritizing social justice in all of its grantmaking. The Foundation’s board has resoundingly endorsed a refined mission statement and updated program areas. While Mellon’s strategic shift—under the leadership of Mellon President Elizabeth Alexander— has been two years in the making, current events make the Foundation’s new social justice lens even more relevant to Mellon’s philanthropic efforts supporting the arts and humanities.

Since its founding, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has sought to strengthen, promote, and defend the arts and humanities as essential to democratic societies. An increased focus on just communities comes at a moment in which a national spotlight is shining on widespread—and longstanding—social and racial injustice. **The new mission notes that the Foundation’s focus will be on building “just communities enriched by meaning and empowered by critical thinking where ideas and imagination can thrive” and animated by a belief that “the arts and humanities are where we express our complex humanity.”**

“We have been evolving our work since I arrived as President, and we are unveiling it at a transformational moment in our history. At Mellon, we believe in the power of the humanities and the arts to facilitate a deeper understanding of the richness of human experience. Now, we urgently ask the question, ‘What does it mean to pursue social justice through the humanities and the arts?’,” said Elizabeth Alexander, president of the Mellon Foundation. “We are a problem-solving foundation looking to address historical inequities in the fields we fund. Our mission clearly reflects our values, and the core of our philanthropic approach.”...

[Freedom to Read: "Million Book Project" Brings Literature to 1,000 US Prisons](#)

NEW YORK, June 30, 2020 – Following The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation’s major strategic evolution announcement prioritizing social justice in all of its grantmaking, Mellon and Yale Law School’s Justice Collaboratory announced today a new initiative to distribute a curated 500-book collection to 1,000 medium and maximum security prisons, including at least one juvenile detention center, across every state in the United States over the next three and a half years. The Mellon Foundation’s \$5.25 million grant will fund the Million Book Project, hosted at Yale Law School’s Justice Collaboratory, which aims to transform the role of literature and libraries in the lives of people in prison. This marks the first major grant since the announcement of the Foundation’s new strategic plan to increase philanthropic efforts for the arts and humanities through a distinct lens of social justice....

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

[Perspective: A commitment to measurement](#)

by: Julia Klebanov and Mari Wright

July 1, 2020

... Since 2004, the foundation has engaged the [Center for Effective Philanthropy](#) to gather feedback from our grantees on the foundation’s overall performance and prepare a [Grantee Perception Report](#).

The sixth online survey was conducted in 2019 and received 421 responses for a 63 percent response rate.

Closing the accountability loop on commodity-driven deforestation

by: Leonardo Fleck

June 30, 2020

...However, a suite of recently launched transparency and accountability tools are turning the tide in the fight to protect tropical forests. Alongside the Norwegian International Climate and Forest Initiative and other partners, we have supported three groundbreaking projects: The [Accountability Framework Initiative](#), the [Trase Initiative](#), and the [Global Forest Watch Pro Platform](#). These efforts are empowering and enhancing the ability of commodity companies, financial institutions, governments, and civil society organizations to collaborate, prioritize action, and track and report progress on mitigating the wicked problem of commodity-driven deforestation, closing a much-needed accountability loop...

Open Society Foundations [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press releases

Press release July 1, 2020

Open Society Foundations Invest \$100 Million in Bard College: Strengthening the Global Network

Open Society announces \$100 million in funding for Bard College to support and extend its commitment to innovative higher education programs in the United States and around the world.

Press release June 29, 2020

Open Society Condemns Supreme Court Ruling that Denies First Amendment Rights and Hurts Fight against HIV/AIDS

In a blow to free speech and public health, the Supreme Court ruled that U.S. organizations' foreign affiliates must oppose prostitution to receive federal government funding—reversing a previous ruling.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases & Statements

June 30, 2020

Pew Announces \$1M to Support Vulnerable Philadelphia-Area Residents Amid Pandemic

Grants to help address hunger, substance use disorder, and needs of frail and isolated older adults

June 29, 2020

Pew Lauds French Polynesia's Ambitious Plan to Protect the Austral Islands

Entire archipelago could be part of biosphere reserve by 2023

Rockefeller Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

The Latest

[Human Impact The Struggle for History and Freedom in Our Country is Ongoing Jul 02-2020](#)

[Blog Post Combatting Injustice: Why Listening to the Most Vulnerable Can Lead Us to a Better "New Normal" Jun 29-2020](#)

[Blueprint Building Trust in the Navajo Nation to Scale Up Covid-19 Testing Jun 29-2020](#)

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

OPINION

[In our divided red and blue nation, coronavirus data is a unifying purple](#)

Coronavirus has been highly politicized but granular information is the friend of public health, politicians and the equitable reopening of America.

Dr. Richard E. Besser

Opinion contributor

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 4 July 2020]

<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).

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 4 July 2020]

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

Press Releases

[Undated]

Announcing the Grantees in the Net Zero and Negative Emissions Technologies RFP

Announcing the Grantees in the Energy and Environmental Sensors RFP

Wellcome Trust [to 4 July 2020]

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

Opinion | 30 June 2020

This virus isn't going away. The only way to beat it is to work together

Jeremy Farrar, Director Wellcome

Six months on from the first case of COVID-19, the pandemic is accelerating and spreading into new areas. Jeremy Farrar talks about the lessons we learned and the long-term solutions.

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Candid [*formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar*] [to 4 July 2020]

<https://candid.org/about/press-room?fceref=pg>

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 4 July 2020]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

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:: Journal Watch

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

American Journal of Infection Control

July 2020 Volume 48, Issue 7, p733-858

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

July 2020 Volume 59, Issue 1, p1-148

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

July 2020 110(7)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 102, Issue 6, June 2020

[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

16 June 2020 Volume 172, Issue 12

<http://annals.org/aim/issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology

Issue 375 - June 2020

<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>

[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 285 August 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/285/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 4 July 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

June 2020 - Volume 5 - 7

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/5/7>

Original research

[Factors influencing diagnosis and treatment initiation for multidrug-resistant/rifampicin-resistant tuberculosis in six sub-Saharan African countries: a mixed-methods systematic review](#) (2 July, 2020)

Charity Oga-Omenka, Azhee Tseja-Akinrin, Paulami Sen, Muriel Mac-Seing, Aderonke Agbaje, Dick Menzies, Christina Zarowsky

[Food insecurity as a risk factor for preterm birth: a prospective facility-based cohort study in rural Haiti](#) (1 July, 2020)

Aaron Richterman, Maxi Raymonville, Azfar Hossain, Christophe Millien, Jean Paul Joseph, Gregory Jerome, Molly F Franke, Louise C Ivers

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 4 July 2020)

[Working together in Aboriginal health: a framework to guide health professional practice](#)

Working effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is important for maximising the effectiveness of a health care interaction between and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients and a...

Authors: Annabelle M. Wilson, Janet Kelly, Michelle Jones, Kim O'Donnell, Sandra Wilson, Emma Tonkin and Anthea Magarey

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2020 20:601

Content type: Research article

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Disclosure, reporting and help seeking among child survivors of violence: a cross-country analysis

Violence against children is a pervasive public health issue, with limited data available across multiple contexts. This study explores the rarely studied prevalence and dynamics around disclosure, reporting a...

Authors: Audrey Pereira, Amber Peterman, Anastasia Naomi Neijhoft, Robert Buluma, Rocio Aznar Daban, Aminul Islam, Esmie Tamanda Vilili Kainja, Inah Fatoumata Kaloga, They Kheam, Afroz Kaviani Johnson, M. Catherine Maternowska, Alina Potts, Chivith Rottanak, Chea Samnang, Mary Shawa, Miho Yoshikawa...

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1051

Content type: Research article

Published on: 2 July 2020

Experiences and needs concerning health related information for newly arrived refugees in Sweden

Owing to communication challenges and a lack of knowledge about the health care system, refugees may be at risk of having limited health literacy, meaning that they will have problems in achieving, understandi...

Authors: L. Mårtensson, P. Lytsy, R. Westerling and J. Wångdahl

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1044

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Authors: L. Mårtensson, P. Lytsy, R. Westerling and J. Wångdahl

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1044

Content type: Research article

Published on: 1 July 2020

Migrants' and refugees' health status and healthcare in Europe: a scoping literature review

There is increasing attention paid to the arrival of migrants from outwith the EU region to the European countries. Healthcare that is universally and equably accessible needs to be provided for these migrants...

Authors: Adele Lebano, Sarah Hamed, Hannah Bradby, Alejandro Gil-Salmerón, Estrella Durá-Ferrandis, Jorge Garcés-Ferrer, Fabienne Azzedine, Elena Riza, Pania Karnaki, Dina Zota and Athena Linos

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1039

Content type: Research article

Published on: 30 June 2020

Barriers and facilitators of patient centered care for immigrant and refugee women: a scoping review

Migrants experience disparities in healthcare quality, in particular women migrants. Despite international calls to improve healthcare quality for migrants, little research has addressed this problem. Patient-...

Authors: Tali Filler, Bismah Jameel and Anna R. Gagliardi
Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1013
Content type: Research article
Published on: 26 June 2020

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[**Cohort profile: Cohort profile: Resettlement in Uprooted Groups Explored \(REFUGE\)—a longitudinal study of mental health and integration in adult refugees from Syria resettled in Norway between 2015 and 2017**](#) (1 July, 2020)

Alexander Nissen, Prue Cauley, Fredrik Saboonchi, Arnfinn Andersen, Øivind Solberg

[**Protocol: Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on mental health of young people and adults: a systematic review protocol of observational studies**](#) (1 July, 2020)

Fernando Jose Guedes da Silva Junior, Jaqueline Carvalho e Silva Sales, Claudete Ferreira de Souza Monteiro, Ana Paula Cardoso Costa, Luana Ruth Braga Campos, Priscilla Ingrid Gomes Miranda, Thiago Alberto de Souza Monteiro, Regina Aparecida Garcia Lima, Luis Carlos Lopes-Junior

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Volume 98, Number 7, July 2020, 441-508

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[**Infertility: a continually neglected component of sexual and reproductive health and rights**](#)

— Jessica D Gipson, Marta J Bornstein & Michelle J Hindin

<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.20.252049>

[**Fostering local production of essential medicines in Nigeria**](#)

— Omotayo Fatokun

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Volume 46, Issue 4 Pages: 397-536 July 2020

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Volume 104 June 2020

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June 2020 Volume 42, Issue 6, p959-1136, e101-e114
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Volume 3, Issue 3 / June 2020
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[Reviewed earlier]

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June 2020 - Volume 33 - Issue 3
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[Evaluating participatory group mentoring in international development projects in the Middle East](#)

[Dina Refki](#), [Kathryn Mishkin](#) & [September Johnson](#)
Pages: 423-436
Published online: 14 May 2020

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Volume 38, Issue 4 Pages: 409-537 July 2020
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Volume 15, Issue 5, 2020
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Volume 44, Issue 3 Pages: 433-618 July 2020
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Volume 21 Issue 7 3 July 2020
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Opinion 28 May 2020

[The CRISPR babies controversy: Responsibility and regulation in the spotlight](#)

Morgan Meyer

The genome editing of human embryos by He Jianjui and the announcement to do so by Denis Rebrikov should spur the research community into discussing robust and transparent governance for human germline modification.

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Volume 26, Number 7—July 2020

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Policy Review

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C. Lin et al.

Epidemics

Volume 31 June 2020

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Volume 148 - 2020

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Food Security
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Original Paper
[**Effects of violent political conflict on the supply, demand and fragmentation of fresh food markets**](#)
[Ziv Bar-Nahum](#), [Israel Finkelshtain](#), [Rico Ihle](#), [Ofir D. Rubin](#)

Original Paper
[**Linking field survey with crop modeling to forecast maize yield in smallholder farmers' fields in Tanzania**](#)
[Lin Liu](#), [Bruno Basso](#)

Original Paper
[**Food security governance promoted by national government at the local level: a case study in Brazil**](#)
[Poliana de Araújo Palmeira](#), [Ruben Araujo de Mattos](#), [Rosana Salles-Costa](#)

Original Paper
[**Navigating structural barriers to the implementation of agriculture-nutrition programs in Nepal**](#)
[Elena T. Broaddus-Shea](#), [Bibhu Thapaliya Shrestha](#), [Pooja Pandey Rana...](#)

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 643 June 2020

<https://www.fmreview.org/cities>

Climate crisis and local communities / Trafficking and smuggling / COVID-19: early reflections

June 2020

FMR issue 64 includes two main feature themes, one on Climate crisis and local communities and one on Trafficking and smuggling, plus a 'mini-feature' on early reflections on COVID-19 in the context of displacement.

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 47, 2020 - Issue 1

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Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

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Global Public Health

Volume 15, 2020 Issue 7
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Globalization and Health

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>
[Accessed 4 July 2020]

[A systematic review of global health capacity building initiatives in low-to middle-income countries in the Middle East and North Africa region](#)

Low-and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region are facing increasing global health challenges with a reduced ability to manage them. Global Health Capacity Building (GHCB) initiatives have the potential to improve health workforce performance and

health outcomes, however little is known about the GHCB topics and approaches implemented in this region. This is the first systematic review of GHCB initiatives among LMICs in the MENA region

Authors: Hady Naal, Maria El Koussa, Melissa El Hamouch, Layal Hneiny and Shadi Saleh

Content type: Review

3 July 2020

Health Affairs

Vol. 39, No. 6 June 2020

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

Rural Health, Behavioral Health & More

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Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 15 - Issue 3 - July 2020

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Health Policy and Planning

Volume 35, Issue 6, July 2020

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Human Gene Therapy

Volume 31, Issue 11-12 / June 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/31/11-12>

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Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 42, Number 2, May 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/42280>

[Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 77, March 2020

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/responding-to-ebola-in-the-democratic-republic-of-congo/>

Responding to Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo

by Humanitarian Practice Network

This edition of *Humanitarian Exchange*, co-edited with Anne Harmer, focuses on the response to the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Although at the time of publication the outbreak appeared to have ended, over its course it claimed 2,200 lives, with more than 3,300 infected, making this the world's second largest outbreak ever.

In the lead article, Natalie Roberts reflects on the extent to which humanitarian actors have applied learning from the outbreak in West Africa in 2014–2016. Richard Kojan and colleagues report on the NGO ALIMA's flexible, patient-centred approach to reducing mortality, Marcela Ascuntar reflects on lessons learned from community feedback and Bernard Balibuno, Emanuel Mbuna Badjonga and Howard Mollett highlight the crucial role faith-based organisations have played in the response. In their article, Theresa Jones, Noé Kasali and Olivia Tulloch outline the work of the Bethesda counselling centre in Beni, which provides support to grieving families. Reflecting on findings from a recent assessment by Translators without Borders, Ellie Kemp describes the challenges involved in providing clear and accessible information on Ebola and the response, and Sung Joon Park and colleagues explain how humane care and treatment can help increase trust and confidence in the response. Stephen Mugamba and his co-authors highlight the importance of community involvement in Ebola research, and Gillian McKay and her co-authors examine the impact of the Ebola outbreak and response on sexual and reproductive health services.

Stacey Mearns, Kiryn Lanning and Michelle Gayer present an Ebola Readiness Roadmap to support NGOs in preparing for an outbreak, while Edward Kumakech, Maurice Sadlier, Aidan Sinnott and Dan Irvine report on a Gap Analysis tool looking at the communication, community engagement and compliance tracking activities that need to be in place before an Ebola vaccine is deployed. Emanuele Bruni and colleagues describe the development of a new monitoring and evaluation framework for strategic response planning. The edition ends with an article by Adelia Fairbanks, who argues for an acceptance strategy in the DRC to improve security and access for responding agencies.

Human Vaccines & Immunotherapeutics (formerly Human Vaccines)

Volume 16, Issue 5, 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/khvi20/current>

Special Issue: Vaccine Acceptance

[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

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

[Accessed 4 July 2020]

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Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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

[Accessed 4 July 2020]

[**Health-education to prevent COVID-19 in schoolchildren: a call to action**](#)

There is currently considerable international debate around school closures/openings and the role of children in the transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). Whilst evidence suggests that children ...

Authors: Darren J. Gray, Johanna Kurscheid, Mary Lorraine Mationg, Gail M. Williams, Catherine Gordon, Matthew Kelly, Kinley Wangdi and Donald P. McManus

Citation: *Infectious Diseases of Poverty* 2020 9:81

Content type: Opinion

Published on: 1 July 2020

International Health

Volume 12, Issue 4, July 2020

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[Urgent call for a global enforcement of the public sharing of health emergencies data: lesson learned from serious arboviral disease epidemics in Sudan](#)

[Ayman Ahmed](#)

International Health, Volume 12, Issue 4, July 2020, Pages 238–240,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihz122>

[Artificial intelligence: opportunities and implications for the health workforce](#)

[Indrajit Hazarika](#)

International Health, Volume 12, Issue 4, July 2020, Pages 241–245,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihaa007>

Abstract

Healthcare involves cyclic data processing to derive meaningful, actionable decisions. Rapid increases in clinical data have added to the occupational stress of healthcare workers, affecting their ability to provide quality and effective services. Health systems have to radically rethink strategies to ensure that staff are satisfied and actively supported in their jobs. Artificial intelligence (AI) has the potential to augment provider performance. This article reviews the available literature to identify AI opportunities that can potentially transform the role of healthcare providers. To leverage AI's full potential, policymakers, industry, healthcare providers and patients have to address a new set of challenges. Optimizing the benefits of AI will require a balanced approach that enhances accountability and transparency while facilitating innovation.

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 9 (2020): Issue 1 (May 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/9/1/hrlr.9.issue-1.xml>

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The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 28 (2020): Issue 2 (Jun 2020)

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International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 7, No 7 (2020) July 2020

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 45 May 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/45/suppl/C>

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International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 49, Issue Supplement_1, April 2020

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Big Data, Small Area

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International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 26, Issue 7, 2020

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Article

[Shifting the paradigm on cultural property and heritage in international law and armed conflict: time to talk about reparations?](#)

Luke Moffett, Dacia Viejo Rose & Robin Hickey

Pages: 619-634

Published online: 17 Sep 2019

Article

[Refuges for movable cultural property in wartime: lessons for contemporary practice from Second World War Italy](#)

Nigel Pollard

Pages: 667-683

Published online: 20 Oct 2019

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 13 Issue 3 2020

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Volume 54 Issue 2, June 2020

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

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

January-June 2020 Volume 18 | Issue 1 Page Nos. 1-95

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JAMA Network

[COVID-19 Update](#) July 4, 2020

These articles on COVID-19 were published across the JAMA Network in the last week.

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June 23/30, 2020, Vol 323, No. 24, Pages 2445-2536

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA Pediatrics

June 2020, Vol 174, No. 6, Pages 517-628

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

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JBHI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

June 2020 - Volume 18 - Issue 6

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Journal of Adolescent Health

June 2020 Volume 66, Issue 6, p635-766

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Vol. 68 (2020)

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Volume 45, Issue 4, August 2020

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Volume 43 Pages 1-358 (May–June 2020)

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[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

2020 Volume 10 Issue 3

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/10/iss/3>

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Volume 15 Issue 3, July 2020

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Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

June 2020 - Volume 74 - 7

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/74/7>

Glossary

[Glossary for public health surveillance in the age of data science](#) (24 April, 2020)

Arnaud Chiolero, David Buckeridge

Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 13, Issue 2 Pages: 89-177 May 2020

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Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 16, Issue 1, 2020

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

Volume 31, Number 2, May 2020
<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/42391>
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Volume 6, Issue 4, 2020
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>
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Journal of Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Volume 10 Issue 1 2020
<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2042-6747/vol/10/iss/1>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 22, Issue 4, August 2020
<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/22/4>
Original Paper

[Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting—Pediatric Physician Knowledge, Training, and General Practice Approach](#)

Female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) is outlawed in much of the world but still mainly occurs from infancy-age 15. Many at-risk and FGM/C-affected girls live in the US. No standard pediatric training exists. A questionnaire assessing FGM/C education, knowledge, diagnostic confidence and external genital examination (EGE) approach was sent to pediatric listservs at 3 hospitals and a child abuse pediatrician (CAP) network.

Janine Young, Kristine Knuti Rodrigues...

Original Paper

[Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting as Grounds for Asylum Requests in the US: An Analysis of More than 100 Cases](#)

Female Genital Mutilation or Cutting (FGM/C) is a human rights violation used to claim asylum in the US. We sought to understand the nature of these asylum requests...Women claiming asylum based on FGM/C report high rates of chronic health issues. Their histories suggest FGM/C co-occurs with other forms of gender-based violence.

Katherine Wikholm, Ranit Mishori...

Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies

Volume 18, 2020_ Issue 2
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Journal of Infectious Diseases

Volume 221, Issue 11, 1 June 2020

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Journal of International Development

Volume 32, Issue 4 Pages: 437-602 May 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

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Journal of Medical Ethics

July 2020 - Volume 46 - 7

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Covid 19 Current Controversies

[Ethical considerations for epidemic vaccine trials](#) (15 May, 2020) Free

Joshua Teperowski Monrad

Original research

[Limits of trust in medical AI](#) (27 March, 2020)

Joshua James Hatherley

Journal of Operations Management

Volume 66, Issue 4 Pages: 367-487 June 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/18731317/current>

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Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 7, Issue 2 (2020)

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June 2020 Volume 221, p1-268

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<https://joppp.biomedcentral.com/>

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July/August 2020 - Volume 26 - Issue 4

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DeBruin, Debra; Leider, Jonathon P.

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Volume 41, Issue 2, June 2020

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Volume 2, Issue 2 (2019)

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Journal of the Royal Society – Interface

July 2020 Volume 17 Issue 168

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rsif/current>

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Journal of Travel Medicine

Volume 27, Issue 3, April 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/27/3>

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The Lancet

Jul 04, 2020 Volume 396 Number 10243 p1-70

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

Editorial

[Zoonoses: beyond the human–animal–environment interface](#)

The Lancet

...Sounding the alarm about the risk of zoonotic pandemics has largely been the preserve of a handful of scientists and global health experts. Until now. COVID-19 has coalesced the research community around calls for establishing broad transformational change. This pandemic is a sobering warning against exploiting the natural world without pause, and that zoonoses affect not only health but the whole fabric of society. COVID-19 will not be the last, and perhaps not the worst, zoonotic

pandemic. Climate change has shown how an existential threat to human civilisation can galvanise a sense of urgency in a whole-of-society response. Tackling zoonoses needs exactly the same.

Health Policy

[Active case finding with case management: the key to tackling the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Zhongjie Li, and the China CDC COVID-19 Emergency Response Strategy Team

Although substantial progress has been made in many aspects of child health in the past two decades, the COVID-19 pandemic and its wide-ranging effects are threatening some of these hard-won gains. Public health measures such as lockdown, school closures, and restrictions in population movement—while necessary to halt virus transmission—are causing prolonged disruption to societal functioning and exacerbating inequalities worldwide. The global [Human Development Index](#) (HDI) is projected to decline this year for the first time since 1990, effectively erasing all progress in human development made in the past 6 years.

Lancet Digital Health

Jul 2020 Volume 2 Number 7 e331-e379

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

Viewpoint

[The European artificial intelligence strategy: implications and challenges for digital health](#)

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Summary

In February, 2020, the European Commission published a white paper on artificial intelligence (AI) as well as an accompanying communication and report. The paper sets out policy options to facilitate a secure and trustworthy development of AI and considers health to be one of its most important areas of application. We illustrate that the European Commission's approach, as applied to medical AI, presents some challenges that can be detrimental if not addressed. In particular, we discuss the issues of European values and European data, the update problem of AI systems, and the challenges of new trade-offs such as privacy, cybersecurity, accuracy, and intellectual property rights. We also outline what we view as the most important next steps in the Commission's iterative process. Although the European Commission has done good work in setting out a European approach for AI, we conclude that this approach will be more difficult to implement in health care. It will require careful balancing of core values, detailed consideration of nuances of health and AI technologies, and a keen eye on the political winds and global competition.

Lancet Global Health

Jul 2020 Volume 8 Number 7 e860-e972

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current>

Comment

[A wake-up call: COVID-19 and its impact on children's health and wellbeing](#)

Henrietta H Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF

As cases of COVID-19 surge worldwide and threaten to overwhelm life-saving health services, the survival of mothers and children is at great risk.

In The Lancet Global Health, Timothy Robertson and colleagues¹ present startling new evidence on the potential rise in maternal and child mortality in low-income and middle-income countries if essential health services are disrupted as a result of COVID-19. Building on lessons learned from previous outbreaks of Ebola virus disease and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), the authors estimate a devastating increase in the numbers of maternal and child deaths resulting from reductions in routine health service coverage.

Left unchecked, these reductions (due to, for example, disruptions in medical supply chains or the availability of human and financial resources) along with declines in the uptake of health services by communities fearful of infection will be more catastrophic for mothers and children than COVID-19 itself. The projection of an additional 1·2 million child deaths and 56 700 maternal deaths in 118 countries if coverage of essential services drops by around 45% for 6 months is alarming. It is also avoidable if we act now.

These findings reinforce the multi-part approach that UNICEF has adopted from the start of the outbreak.² First, we are working to prevent COVID-19 transmission and treat those who fall sick. Second, we are working to address the effects of the policy responses aimed at containing the spread, including maintaining routine health services for all children and mothers, ensuring continuity of learning, keeping mothers and children safe and protected from violence, and scaling up social protections to keep children and their families afloat. Third, we are working to strengthen the systems that underpin all of these services...

Articles

[**Early estimates of the indirect effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on maternal and child mortality in low-income and middle-income countries: a modelling study**](#)

While the COVID-19 pandemic will increase mortality due to the virus, it is also likely to increase mortality indirectly. In this study, we estimate the additional maternal and under-5 child deaths resulting from the potential disruption of health systems and decreased access to food...Our estimates are based on tentative assumptions and represent a wide range of outcomes. Nonetheless, they show that, if routine health care is disrupted and access to food is decreased (as a result of unavoidable shocks, health system collapse, or intentional choices made in responding to the pandemic), the increase in child and maternal deaths will be devastating. We hope these numbers add context as policy makers establish guidelines and allocate resources in the days and months to come.

Timothy Robertson, Emily D Carter, Victoria B Chou, Angela R Stegmuller, Bianca D Jackson, Yvonne Tam, Talata Sawadogo-Lewis, Neff Walker

Lancet Infectious Diseases

Jul 2020 Volume 20 Number 7 p755-874, e148-e179

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Comment

[**Two Middle East respiratory syndrome vaccines: first step for other coronavirus vaccines?**](#)

Kayvon Modjarrad, Jerome H Kim

[**Balanced immunity is key for a successful dengue vaccine**](#)

Arturo Reyes-Sandoval

[**Next-generation rotavirus vaccines: important progress but work still to be done**](#)

Julie E Bines, Karen L Kotloff

[A future vaccination campaign against COVID-19 at risk of vaccine hesitancy and politicisation](#)

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Lancet Public Health

Jul 2020 Volume 5 Number 7 e361-e413

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

Editorial

[Education: a neglected social determinant of health](#)

The Lancet Public Health

Articles

[Education and wealth inequalities in healthy ageing in eight harmonised cohorts in the ATHLOS consortium: a population-based study](#)

Yu-Tzu Wu, et al on behalf of the ATHLOS consortium

Background

The rapid growth of the size of the older population is having a substantial effect on health and social care services in many societies across the world. Maintaining health and functioning in older age is a key public health issue but few studies have examined factors associated with inequalities in trajectories of health and functioning across countries. The aim of this study was to investigate trajectories of healthy ageing in older men and women (aged ≥ 45 years) and the effect of education and wealth on these trajectories.

Interpretation

The apparent difference in baseline healthy ageing scores between those with high versus low education levels and wealth suggests that cumulative disadvantage due to low education and wealth might have largely deteriorated health conditions in early life stages, leading to persistent differences throughout older age, but no further increase in ageing disparity after age 70 years. Future research should adopt a lifecourse approach to investigate mechanisms of health inequalities across education and wealth in different societies

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A Multidisciplinary Journal of Population Health and Health Policy

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Nature

Volume 583 Issue 7814, 2 July 2020

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Editorial | 30 June 2020

[Fewer than 20 extinctions a year: does the world need a single target for biodiversity?](#)

A proposal for one, simple goal, equivalent to the 2 °C climate target, needs to be thoroughly assessed.

Editorial | 01 July 2020

[How Europe can fix its forests data gap](#)

The European Union must improve how it collects forest data, which are essential to its ambitions in biodiversity and climate change.

Article / 27 May 2020

[Mapping and characterization of structural variation in 17,795 human genomes](#)

Structural variants in more than 17,000 human genomes are mapped and characterized using whole-genome sequencing, showing how this type of variation contributes to rare deleterious coding and noncoding alleles.

Haley J. Abel, David E. Larson[...] & Ira M. Hall

Article | 06 May 2020

[Whole-genome sequencing of a sporadic primary immunodeficiency cohort](#)

Whole-genome sequencing analysis of individuals with primary immunodeficiency identifies new candidate disease-associated genes and shows how the interplay between genetic variants can explain the variable penetrance and complexity of the disease.

James E. D. Thaventhiran, Hana Lango Allen[...] & Kenneth G. C. Smith

Article | 24 June 2020

[Whole-genome sequencing of patients with rare diseases in a national health system](#)

Whole-genome sequencing and phenotype data sharing are introduced in a national health system to streamline diagnosis and to discover coding and non-coding variants that cause rare diseases.

Ernest Turro, William J. Astle[...] & Willem H. Ouwehand

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Nature Reviews Genetics

Volume 21 Issue 7, July 2020

<https://www.nature.com/nrg/volumes/21/issues/7>

Comment | 24 April 2020

[Effective study design for comparative functional genomics](#)

Comparative studies struggle to balance technical properties with the need to obtain samples from multiple species. The authors argue for extensive record keeping and reporting of metadata to minimize the effect of confounders and increase the robustness of inferences from these studies.

Joanna L. Kelley & Yoav Gilad

Review Article | 16 April 2020

[Harnessing genomics to fast-track genetic improvement in aquaculture](#)

Genetic improvement of production traits in aquaculture has great potential to help meet the rising seafood demands driven by human population growth. The authors review how genomics is being applied to aquaculture species at all stages of the domestication process to optimize selective breeding.

Ross D. Houston, Tim P. Bean[...] & Diego Robledo

Review Article | 18 May 2020

[Phylogenetic tree building in the genomic age](#)

Understanding evolutionary relationships between species requires the generation of accurate phylogenetic trees. In this Review, Kapli, Yang and Telford discuss the principles, steps and computational tools for phylogenetic tree building. They describe the impact of burgeoning genomic datasets as well as the diverse sources of errors and how they can be mitigated.

Paschalia Kapli, Ziheng Yang & Maximilian J. Telford

Nature Reviews Immunology

Volume 20 Issue 7, July 2020

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Comment | 04 June 2020

[COVID-19 vaccines: neutralizing antibodies and the alum advantage](#)

Here, Peter Hotez and colleagues discuss the advantages of using an aluminium-based adjuvant in candidate COVID-19 vaccines.

Peter J. Hotez, David B. Corry[...] & Maria Elena Bottazzi

Comment | 12 June 2020

[Passive antibody therapy in COVID-19](#)

In this *Comment*, Jonathan Abraham highlights the potential of passive immunization strategies for COVID-19.

Jonathan Abraham

New England Journal of Medicine

July 2, 2020 Vol. 383 No. 1

<http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal>

Perspective

[A Half-Century of Progress in Health: The National Academy of Medicine at 50: Four Decades of HIV/AIDS — Much Accomplished, Much to Do](#)

Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., and H. Clifford Lane, M.D.

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Volume 49 Issue 3, June 2020

<http://nvs.sagepub.com/content/current>

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Pediatrics

Vol. 146, Issue 1 1 Jul 2020

<https://pediatrics.aappublications.org/>

Special Articles

[The Ethics of Creating a Resource Allocation Strategy During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

Naomi Laventhal, Ratna Basak, Mary Lynn Dell, Douglas Diekema, Nanette Elster, Gina Geis, Mark Mercurio, Douglas Opel, David Shalowitz, Mindy Statter, Robert Macauley

Pediatrics, Jul 2020, 146 (1) e20201243

The coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic has affected nearly every aspect of medicine and raises numerous moral dilemmas for clinicians. Foremost of these quandaries is how to delineate and implement crisis standards of care and, specifically, how to consider how health care resources should be distributed in times of shortage. We review basic principles of disaster planning and resource stewardship with ethical relevance for this and future public health crises, explore the role of illness severity scoring systems and their limitations and potential contribution to health disparities, and consider the role for exceptionally resource-intensive interventions. We also review the philosophical and practical underpinnings of crisis standards of care and describe historical approaches to scarce resource allocation to offer analysis and guidance for pediatric clinicians. Particular attention is given to the impact on children of this endeavor. Although few children have required hospitalization for

symptomatic infection, children nonetheless have the potential to be profoundly affected by the strain on the health care system imposed by the pandemic and should be considered prospectively in resource allocation frameworks.

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[**Will COVID-19 be evidence-based medicine's nemesis?**](#)

Trisha Greenhalgh

Editorial | published 30 Jun 2020 PLOS Medicine

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1003266>

PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases

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

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PLoS One

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[**Elderly people and responses to COVID-19 in 27 Countries**](#)

J. -F. Daoust

Research Article | published 02 Jul 2020 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0235590>

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

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

Inaugural Article

[The challenges of modeling and forecasting the spread of COVID-19](#)

Andrea L. Bertozzi, Elisa Franco, George Mohler, Martin B. Short, and Daniel Sledge

PNAS first published July 2, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2006520117>

Significance

The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has placed epidemic modeling at the forefront of worldwide public policy making. Nonetheless, modeling and forecasting the spread of COVID-19 remain a challenge. Here, we present and detail three regional-scale models for forecasting and assessing the course of the pandemic. This work is intended to demonstrate the utility of parsimonious models for understanding the pandemic and to provide an accessible framework for generating policy-relevant insights into its course. We show how these models can be connected to each other and to time series data for a particular region. Capable of measuring and forecasting the impacts of social distancing, these models highlight the dangers of relaxing nonpharmaceutical public health interventions in the absence of a vaccine or antiviral therapies.

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Volume 35 - Issue 3 - June 2020

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[Sarah M. Godoy](#), [Laura S. Abrams](#), [Elizabeth S. Barnert](#), [Mikaela A. Kelly](#), [Eraka P. Bath](#)

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[Syrian Refugee Migration, Transitions in Migrant Statuses and Future Scenarios of Syrian Mobility](#)

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In Depth

Officials gird for a war on vaccine misinformation

By Warren Cornwall

Science03 Jul 2020 : 14-15 Full Access

Summary

As scientists rush to develop a vaccine for the new coronavirus, experts warn that public health agencies need new strategies to persuade people to accept a vaccine. Antivaccine activists have helped stoke rising levels of "vaccine hesitancy" in the United States and elsewhere. Now, those groups are turning their attention to the coronavirus. Polls have found as few as half of Americans are committed to taking the coronavirus vaccine. Now, researchers who study health behavior are urging adoption of some of the tactics used by vaccine critics: telling compelling, personal stories; spreading messages quickly and creatively through social media; offering more individualized responses to the concerns of different groups; and recruiting volunteers to act as a pro-vaccine counterweight

Policy Forum

Improve alignment of research policy and societal values

By Peter Novitzky, Michael J. Bernstein, Vincent Blok, Robert Braun, Tung Tung Chan, Wout Lamers, Anne Loeber, Ingeborg Meijer, Ralf Lindner, Erich Griessler

Science03 Jul 2020 : 39-41 Restricted Access

Summary

Historically, scientific and engineering expertise has been key in shaping research and innovation (R&I) policies, with benefits presumed to accrue to society more broadly over time (1). But there is persistent and growing concern about whether and how ethical and societal values are integrated into R&I policies and governance, as we confront public disbelief in science and political suspicion toward evidence-based policy-making (2). Erosion of such a social contract with science limits the ability of democratic societies to deal with challenges presented by new, disruptive technologies, such as synthetic biology, nanotechnology, genetic engineering, automation and robotics, and artificial intelligence. Many policy efforts have emerged in response to such concerns, one prominent example being Europe's Eighth Framework Programme, Horizon 2020 (H2020), whose focus on "Responsible Research and Innovation" (RRI) provides a case study for the translation of such normative perspectives into concrete policy action and implementation. Our analysis of this H2020 RRI approach suggests a lack of consistent integration of elements such as ethics, open access, open innovation, and public engagement. On the basis of our evaluation, we suggest possible pathways for strengthening efforts to deliver R&I policies that deepen mutually beneficial science and society relationships.

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Stanford Social Innovation Review

Summer 2020 Volume 18, Number 3

https://ssir.org/issue/summer_2020#

Read about how organizational culture can advance social good, how researchers convinced the Indian government to adopt same-language subtitling for mass literacy, how corporate foundations can align with their companies, how artificial intelligence can apply causal models to become more effective, and other topics in the Summer 2020 issue of Stanford Social Innovation Review.

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<http://whc.unesco.org/en/review/94/>

Current Issue

[New World Heritage sites 2019](#)

The 1972 World Heritage Convention is truly unique. It is the only legal instrument conceived to protect both cultural and natural heritage, based on the principle of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) – the value of a site that is irreplaceable and must be protected for the future.

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