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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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Global Governance

[After Disruption: Historical Perspectives on the Future of International Order](#)

CSIS Report

Seth Center, [Emma Bates](#)

September 2, 2020 :: 70 pages

Open Access PDF: https://csis-website-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/publication/200901_Bates_History_FullReport_v1.pdf

The Covid-19 pandemic has intensified the debate about whether world order is undergoing a fundamental change. Cornerstones of the post-1945 system—economic globalization, democratic governance, and U.S. leadership—face headwinds. At home, some Americans question whether international institutions and the order they underpin still serve the national interest.

In this critical moment, the Project on History and Strategy asked seven leading international historians to offer their insights about the relationship between disorder and order. How is order remade after pandemics, wars, and revolutions? How do different visions of order get resolved? Who contributes to the making of new orders? Can a faltering order be rehabilitated? Does “might” always make order, or can smaller actors shape the game? Does order emerge from ad hoc responses to specific problems, or can a master blueprint become reality? Collectively the historians produced insightful essays spanning four centuries of upheaval. They recapture the interplay of personality, power, and the forgotten contingency at the core of order-building efforts.

Looking to the future, the essays serve as a potent reminder that the appeal of democracy, free markets, and the broader international architecture designed to extend those ideas across the globe hinge on whether the American people, their government, and their allies prove worthy of emulation and capable of adaptation. If they fail, others will be waiting with the vision and programs to construct a new order in their own likeness.

This report is made possible by general support to CSIS.

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Featured Journal Content – Democracy

Science

04 September 2020 Vol 369, Issue 6508

<http://www.sciencemag.org/current.dtl>

Special Issue - Democracy in the Balance

Introduction to special issue

In flux and under threat

By Tage Rai, Brad Wible

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1174-1175

Around the world, democracy is losing ground. Polarization and disinformation have rendered liberals and conservatives unable to agree on basic facts. State violence and suppression of citizens' rights are resurgent. Free and fair elections are being threatened.

In this special issue, we critically examine the state of democracy and how it must adapt to achieve its ideals in the 21st century. We need to meet the challenges and opportunities of living in increasingly multiethnic societies, of fostering democracy in a weakened international environment, of reducing inequality and elevating the political representation of the poor, and of organizing social movements and combating disinformation tactics in the digital age. Advances in technology are making it easier to distort true voter representation through gerrymandering, and political campaigns continue to struggle with reaching voters and persuading them to participate. Worryingly, state violence, which has always been a core feature of the democratic experience for some, is spreading in democratic societies.

Twenty years ago, it seemed inevitable that democracy would reach every corner of the globe. In this moment, we are reminded that we must fight for democracy and work to improve it. A scientific understanding of the social and behavioral phenomena that underlie its operation will help us enhance democracy and, by doing so, improve human lives and societies globally.

Policy Forum

Racial authoritarianism in U.S. democracy

By Vesla M. Weaver, Gwen Prowse

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1176-1178

One segment of the population experiences different rules and differential citizenship.

Human-centered redistricting automation in the age of AI

By Wendy K. Tam Cho, Bruce E. Cain

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1179-1181

Human-machine collaboration and transparency are key

Perspective

Campaigns influence election outcomes less than you think

By David W. Nickerson, Todd Rogers

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1181-1182

Campaigns have small effects but are built to win close races

Reviews

Diversity and prosocial behavior

By Delia Baldassarri, Maria Abascal

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1183-1187

Abstract

Immigration and globalization have spurred interest in the effects of ethnic diversity in Western societies. Most scholars focus on whether diversity undermines trust, social capital, and collective

goods provision. However, the type of prosociality that helps heterogeneous societies function is different from the in-group solidarity that glues homogeneous communities together. Social cohesion in multiethnic societies depends on whether prosocial behavior extends beyond close-knit networks and in-group boundaries. We identify two features of modern societies—social differentiation and economic interdependence—that can set the stage for constructive interactions with dissimilar others. Whether societal adaptations to diversity lead toward integration or division depends on the positions occupied by minorities and immigrants in the social structure and economic system, along with the institutional arrangements that determine their political inclusion.

Can democracy work for the poor?

By Rohini Pande

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1188-1192

Abstract

Millions of the world's poorest people now live in middle-income democracies that, in theory, could use their resources to end extreme poverty. However, citizens in those countries have not succeeded in using the vote to ensure adequate progressive redistribution. Interventions aiming to provide the economically vulnerable with needed resources must go beyond assisting them directly, they must also improve democratic institutions so that vulnerable populations themselves can push their representatives to implement redistributive policies. Here, I review the literature on such interventions and then consider the "democracy catch-22": How can the poor secure greater democratic influence when the existing democratic playing field is tilted against them?

Democracy's backsliding in the international environment

By Susan D. Hyde

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1192-1196

Abstract

If the end of the 20th century was defined by the relatively widespread acceptance of democracy, the second decade of the 21st century is marked by concerns about backsliding in new and established democracies alike and by a notable decline in foreign support for democracy around the world. As democracy's global tailwinds shift to headwinds, scholars have an opportunity to better understand how experience with even superficial forms of democratic institutions across a diverse set of contexts influences citizen behavior when formal democratic institutions erode or disappear. This shift also provides the opportunity to examine whether citizen movements alone—absent external support—are sufficient to check newly emboldened autocrats.

False equivalencies: Online activism from left to right

By Deen Freelon, Alice Marwick, Daniel Kreiss

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1197-1201

Abstract

Digital media are critical for contemporary activism—even low-effort "clicktivism" is politically consequential and contributes to offline participation. We argue that in the United States and throughout the industrialized West, left- and right-wing activists use digital and legacy media differently to achieve political goals. Although left-wing actors operate primarily through "hashtag activism" and offline protest, right-wing activists manipulate legacy media, migrate to alternative platforms, and work strategically with partisan media to spread their messages. Although scholarship suggests that the right has embraced strategic disinformation and conspiracy theories more than the left, more research is needed to reveal the magnitude and character of left-wing disinformation. Such ideological

asymmetries between left- and right-wing activism hold critical implications for democratic practice, social media governance, and the interdisciplinary study of digital politics.

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Heritage Stewardship

[ArThemis, the open-access cultural property restitution database](#)

UNESCO 01/09/2020

ArThemis is a fully searchable database containing case notes about disputes over the return and restitution of cultural property. The case notes focus on the settlement of disputes through alternative dispute resolution methods (ADR) but also examine judicial decisions. The case notes are accompanied by pertinent documents, including judgments, published agreements, pictures, etc.

With its wish to provide innovative methods and multiple solutions for the restitution of cultural property, UNESCO in association with the University of Geneva, makes the ArThemis database available to all. It contains cases resolved by judicial means or alternative dispute resolution methods, in addition to a wide range of research possibilities such as the type of object sought, the chronological context, or the issue as it pertains to law.

An open access-tool, ArThemis allows everyone involved, from legal practitioners to researchers and academics, to have a point of reference on all dispute resolution methods.

A valuable tool, ArThemis provides detailed cases resolved by judicial decision, which demonstrates judges' awareness in matters of art law and the restitution of cultural property. These files also reveal the limits of judicial decisions and provide an overview of how courts resolve procedural and substantive issues. ArThemis also contains information relating to alternative methods that have enabled the return of goods.

ArThemis prefers a pragmatic approach taking into account the origin of cultural goods and the ethical, historical, cultural, financial and legal interests involved. It brings an innovative angle to the fight against the illicit trafficking of cultural goods.

You can consult the ArThemis database [here](#).

Another relevant database, UNESCO Database of National Cultural Laws, is also available [here](#).

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[First Release of Getty's New Research Collections Viewer Offers Digital Access to Vast Archives](#)

A new online tool invites you to browse thousands of photographs and artists' letters, with more to come

Getty Conservation Institute Nathaniel Deines | September 2, 2020

Now online in its initial release, the [Research Collections Viewer](#) offers a visual way to browse and search Getty's archival collections. The Viewer aims to make it easier to see what we have in our

research collections—rare primary source material such as artists’ papers, prints, and photographs—as well as contextual information such as related works by the same artist.

At Getty we’ve been digitizing archives on a major scale since 1997 (see [this guide to early photography of the Mediterranean](#) for one of our first forays), yet digital images and finding aids have always existed in separate systems, connected only through a carefully managed set of links...

In addition to connecting the finding aids with the digitized materials, the Research Collections Viewer connects archival materials *themselves* together by leveraging [Linked Open Data standards](#). Using the “Related Material” section, you can explore archives intuitively, investigating relationships between people, places, dates, and ideas.

For its initial launch, the Research Collections Viewer features access to information and many images from the correspondence of artist Sylvia Sleigh and critic Lawrence Alloway and from the Los Angeles photographs of artist Ed Ruscha. We chose these archives because they presented unique challenges that will inform how we present other large and complex collections going forward.

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COVID-19 Impacts – Education in Humanitarian Contexts

[Back to school in humanitarian settings finds \\$135 million funding gap and increased digital divide – IRC](#)

August 31, 2020

:: New analysis from the International Rescue Committee (IRC) finds widening education and digital access gaps among children in humanitarian settings stemming from COVID-19.

:: Education remains one of the least-funded sectors in humanitarian response, with a current COVID-19 funding gap of \$135 million.

:: School closures are impacting refugee girls harder than boys, with more than half not expected to return.

New York, NY, August 31, 2020 — As children in wealthier countries begin to head back to a different model of school or continue remote learning, a new analysis from the IRC finds continued disruptions for children within humanitarian settings, leading to widening gaps in accessing quality education.

Prior to COVID-19, 250 million school-aged children were out of school, with the majority of those impacted living in fragile and conflict-affected contexts. COVID-19 has further widened this divide, with 86% of children in developing countries at the primary school level no longer having access to education, compared to 20% in developed countries[\[1\]](#).

As schools in fragile states remain closed, and as the economic impacts of COVID-19 continue to take their toll on families, children are at a higher risk of dropping out of school altogether. The consequences are even more dire for girls, who face additional risks of exploitation, early marriage, pregnancy, and child labor. Estimates suggest more than half of all refugee girls will not return when schools open[\[2\]](#). Those without access to digital technology are disproportionately affected by COVID-19 as they cannot transition from the classroom to online learning. A recent analysis found less than one-quarter of low-income countries are providing any form of remote instruction[\[3\]](#). Moreover, remote learning options available to children in wealthier contexts

are impossible in humanitarian settings given limited access to the Internet. In the least-developed countries, only two in ten households have access to the Internet[4].

Education remains critically underfunded in humanitarian settings, receiving less than 3% of aid annually, and prior to COVID-19, faced an \$8.5 billion annual deficit[5]. Despite increased international attention to the loss of learning stemming from COVID-19, this has yet to change. The Global Humanitarian Response Plan for COVID-19 calls for a mere 4% of the \$10.26 billion appeal to go to education. As of August, only \$277 million of the \$403 million requested has been provided for education programs--a \$135 million gap for the rest of this year alone[6].

"While the global scale of this crisis is unprecedented, interruptions to education and threats to children's learning are commonplace in countries affected by crisis," said Sarah Smith, senior director, education, International Rescue Committee. "But we know that children and their families are inherently resilient, and we now have an opportunity to work together to transform business as usual and provide quality, innovative learning opportunities in the most challenging contexts on earth. By getting creative in how children access learning and ensuring the most vulnerable children are included in all educational plans that take into account their unique experiences and varying degrees of digital access, we can lessen the disruptions and build better systems that work for all children."...

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Food Security and COVID-19

World Bank Brief

August 31, 2020

Alarmed by a potential rise in food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, many countries and organizations are mounting special efforts to keep agriculture safely running as an essential business, markets well supplied in affordable and nutritious food, and consumers still able to access and purchase food despite movement restrictions and income losses.

This page summarizes the evolving agriculture and food situation and provides links to World Bank and other resources. Updates are frequently posted on this page.

Overview

Global agricultural markets continue to remain stable as food trade has remained more resilient than overall trade. Global production levels for the three most widely consumed staples (rice, wheat and maize) are at or near all-time highs. However, the prices of certain cash crops -- an important source of rural income -- have been depressed by the slowing of global demand.

Given the status of global food supplies, export restrictions are unwarranted and could hurt food security in importing countries. [The World Bank has joined other organizations in calling for collective action to keep food trade flowing between countries.](#)

The primary risks to food security are at the country level: as the coronavirus crisis unfolds, disruptions in domestic food supply chains, other shocks affecting food production, and loss of incomes and remittances are creating strong tensions and food security risks in many countries. **Despite stable global food prices, numerous countries are experiencing varying levels of food price inflation due to measures taken to combat the spread of COVID-19.**

Food producers also face large losses on perishable and nutritious food as buyers have become limited and consumption patterns shift. Though food insecurity is by and large not driven by food shortages, disruptions to the supply of agricultural inputs such as fertilizers, seeds or labor shortages could diminish next season's crop. If farmers are experiencing acute hunger, they may also prioritize buying food today over planting seeds for tomorrow, raising the threat of food shortages later on.

Food security "hot spots" include:

:: fragile and conflict-affected states, where logistics and distribution are difficult even without morbidity and social distancing.

:: countries affected by multiple crises resulting from more frequent extreme weather events (floods, droughts) and pests such as the current locusts plague – the worst in decades— impacting food production in 23 countries.

:: the poor and vulnerable, including the [690 million people](#) who were already chronically food insecure before the COVID-19 crisis impacted movement and incomes.

:: countries with significant currency depreciation, (driving up the cost of food imports) and countries seeing other commodity prices collapse (reducing their capacity to import food)...

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COVID-19 Impacts – Global Manufacturing

[World Manufacturing Production – Statistics for Quarter II 2020](#)

Global manufacturing has collapsed, but China's manufacturing is showing early signs of recovery

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

September 2020 :: 19 pages

Media Release

[World manufacturing set for biggest collapse in decades but impacts uneven – UNIDO report](#)

During the second quarter of 2020, manufacturing production fell sharply in most countries around the world, with the notable exception of China where output had already returned to moderate growth. On current estimates, UNIDO expects a decline in global manufacturing value added of 8.4 per cent for the year as a whole, which would make 2020 the worst year on official records for the sector.

In the second quarter of 2020 (April-June), global manufacturing output fell by 11.2 per cent compared with the same quarter in the previous year, according to official figures from the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). **The dramatic drop reflects the economic impact of measures imposed to halt the spread of COVID-19, which overshadowed all other negative influences on the sector, including higher trade barriers and the impact of Brexit.**

UNIDO anticipates ongoing disruptions to manufacturing over the coming months as the world continues to grapple with the impacts of the pandemic. "Based on this scenario, and on developments in manufacturing linked to other economic variables, UNIDO is forecasting a **fall in**

global manufacturing value added of 8.4 per cent in 2020, which would mark the biggest collapse in output since official records began,” UNIDO Chief Statistician Fernando Cantu said.

Some countries are likely to be harder hit than others, with China expected to record a more modest drop of 1.6 per cent compared with the United States and Europe’s industrialized economies where value added in 2020 is forecast to plummet by 15 per cent and 14.3 per cent, respectively.

Cantu noted, however, that more time was needed to assess the full impact of containment measures on households, businesses and government balance sheets. In addition, he cautioned that “recent developments in several countries point to a possible second wave of the pandemic, which could require the return of harsher economic restrictions, with knock-on effects on supply and demand”.

Figures for the second quarter show a wide divergence between China and the rest of the world, as well as between and within developing and industrialized economies. China was one of the first countries to impose a lockdown and most of the impact was felt during the first three months of the year. By the second quarter, China’s manufacturing output had already returned to growth, increasing by 2.8 per cent year-on-year, led by industries such as computer electronics (11.2 per cent), electrical equipment (6.8 per cent) and machinery (6.3 per cent)...



Featured Media Content

[The Tragedy of Vaccine Nationalism](#)

Only Cooperation Can End the Pandemic
Foreign Affairs September/October 2020

By [Thomas J. Bollyky and Chad P. Bown](#)

[Open Access]

Trump administration officials have compared the global allocation of vaccines against the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 to oxygen masks dropping inside a depressurizing airplane. “You put on your own first, and then we want to help others as quickly as possible,” Peter Marks, a senior official at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration who oversaw the initial phases of vaccine development for the U.S. government, said during a panel discussion in June. The major difference, of course, is that airplane oxygen masks do not drop only in first class—which is the equivalent of what will happen when vaccines eventually become available if governments delay providing access to them to people in other countries...

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When the oxygen masks drop in a depressurizing plane, they drop at the same time in every part of the plane because time is of the essence and because that is the best way to ensure the safety of all onboard. The same is true of the global, equitable allocation of safe and effective vaccines against COVID-19.

Vaccine nationalism is not just morally and ethically reprehensible: it is contrary to every country’s economic, strategic, and health interests. If rich, powerful countries choose that path, there will be no

winners—ultimately, every country will be a loser. The world is not doomed to learn this the hard way, however. All the necessary tools exist to forge an agreement that would encourage cooperation and limit the appeal of shortsighted “my country first” approaches.

But time is running out: the closer the world gets to the day when the first proven vaccines emerge, the less time there is to set up an equitable, enforceable system for allocating them. As a first step, a coalition of political leaders from countries representing at least 50 percent of global vaccine-manufacturing capacity must get together and instruct their public health officials and trade ministers to get out of their silos and work together. Combining forces, they should hammer out a short-term agreement that articulates the conditions for sharing, including with the legions of poorer, nonmanufacturing countries, and makes clear what would happen to participants who subsequently renege and undertook vaccine nationalism. Such a step would get the ball rolling and convince even more of the manufacturing countries to sign on. The fear of missing out on vaccine access, in the event their countries’ own vaccine candidates fail, may be what it takes to pressure even today’s most reluctant leaders to cooperate.

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EMERGENCIES

Coronavirus [COVID-19]

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Weekly Epidemiological and Operational updates August 2020

Confirmed cases :: 26 468 031 [week ago: 24 587 513]

Confirmed deaths :: 871 166 [week ago: 833 556]

[Weekly Epidemiological Update](#)

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

4 September 2020

WHO response in countries

3 September 2020

[A live digital Platform behind the scenes for more effective and transparent country response](#)

2 September 2020

[WHO updates clinical care guidance with corticosteroid recommendations](#)

31 August 2020

[Athens protects vulnerable communities during COVID-19](#)

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 03 September 2020

:: The Polio Oversight Board (POB) released a statement [see below] after holding a meeting on 18 August 2020 where they reviewed progress on resumption of vaccination campaigns after the Covid-19 induced pause, programme transformation in Pakistan, the increase in circulating Vaccine Derived Polio Virus (cVDPV) outbreaks, and the financial situation.

:: Professor Rose Leke, an infectious disease specialist, has been the chairperson of the ARCC since it was set up in 1998. A trailblazer for women in global health, Leke has fought throughout her career to improve women's representation in science and global health leadership. Take a look at her journey in polio eradication and her views on gender and women in science.

Summary of new WPV and cVDPV viruses this week (AFP cases and environmental samples):

:: ***Afghanistan:*** Three WPV1 cases, one WPV1 positive environmental sample and 13 cVDPV2 cases

:: ***Pakistan:*** Five WPV1 positive environmental samples and three cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: ***Cameroon:*** one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample

:: ***Chad:*** three cVDPV2 cases

:: ***Democratic Republic of the Congo (DR Congo):*** one cVDPV2 case

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Statement: POLIO OVERSIGHT BOARD – 24 August 2020

Meeting of 18 August 2020

On August 18, the Polio Oversight Board (POB) of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) convened to assess the status of polio eradication. The Board reviewed progress on resumption of vaccination campaigns after the Covid-19 induced pause, programme transformation in Pakistan, the increase in circulating Vaccine Derived Polio Virus (cVDPV) outbreaks, and the financial situation. The discussion was informed by the recent reports of the Independent Monitoring Board, the Pakistan and Afghanistan Technical Advisory Groups and the participation of major donors.

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the polio eradication programme with paused campaigns, disruption of essential immunization and a decline in surveillance quality. The Board was humbled by the commitment of front-line polio staff to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and who also recognized the importance of safely restarting campaigns to deliver polio vaccines in communities while the COVID virus circulates...

In view of the dynamic challenges faced, the POB approved a process to revise the 2019-2023 Polio Eradication Strategy and related budget, including the establishment of an external advisory group to advise on its content. To ensure that GPEI is best positioned to implement the revised strategy, the Board requested quick action on the Governance Review and complementary management review.

The Board reviewed with great concern the financial status of the Polio programme. Appreciating the generous pledges of support announced in Abu Dhabi in November 2019,

programmatic developments have put acute pressure on available resources. These developments include the setbacks in interrupting wild poliovirus in the two remaining polio endemic countries, a marked increase of cVDPV outbreaks, additional costs of infection prevention in the context of COVID-19 and the need to catch up on paused campaigns. This is compounded by economic impacts of the pandemic globally, which constrain financial resources and political attention in both programme and donor countries, leading to an anticipated substantial shortfall between resources required and resources available in 2021.

The Polio Oversight Board reviewed a plan to optimize the use of available and projected resources in 2021 and agreed that efficiencies can be realized. **Board members also expressed concern that the level of risk associated with some of the proposed programmatic reductions could jeopardize both the gains and investments of the last 30 years and impede success. As an immediate step, GPEI will implement low risk-high return efficiency savings and strive to integrate efforts with other health interventions.** The Board committed to advocating to increase national ownership and commitment, to raise the additional resources needed to meet urgent programme requirements and to intensify the response to the extraordinary challenges that have arisen, including exploring the use of COVID-19 resources where appropriate...

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Emergencies

Ebola – DRC+

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Last *WHO Situation Report* published 23 June 2020

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WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Mozambique floods - *No new digest announcements identified*

Nigeria - *No new digest announcements identified*

Somalia - *No new digest announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*

Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 5 Sep 2020]

Measles in Europe

:: Unleashing the potential of vaccines for a healthier Europe 02-09-2020

Afghanistan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Angola - *No new digest announcements identified*

Burkina Faso [in French] - *No new digest announcements identified*
Burundi - *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*
Iran floods 2019 - *No new digest announcements identified*
Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified*
Libya - *No new digest announcements identified*
Malawi - *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*
HIV in Pakistan - *No new digest announcements identified*
Sao Tome and Principe Necrotizing Cellulitis (2017) - *No new digest announcements identified*
Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*
Ukraine - *No new digest announcements identified*
Zimbabwe - *No new digest announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 1 Emergencies [to 5 Sep 2020]

Chad - *No new digest announcements identified*
Djibouti - *Page not responding at inquiry*
Kenya - *No new digest announcements identified*
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 Humanitarian Update No. 17 As of 1 September 2020

Yemen

:: 03 September 2020 Yemen Situation Report, 3 Sep 2020
- Torrential rains cause devastation across Yemen for the third time this year
- COVID-19 response to be pivoted
- Fuel crisis seriously holds back the humanitarian response in northern governorates
- Stranded migrants in Yemen in desperate need of humanitarian assistance
- Locust infestations threaten to exacerbate food insecurity in Yemen

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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.

COVID-19

:: Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report 42: occupied Palestinian territory, issued 3 September 2020, information for period: 5 March - 3 September 2020

East Africa Locust Infestation

:: Desert Locust situation update - 2 September 2020

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements

4 September 2020

SG/SM/20232

Secretary-General Welcomes Joint Agreement on Principles as 'Positive Step' Following Signing of New Sudan Peace Accord Earlier This Week

4 September 2020

SG/SM/20231

Secretary-General, at Global Industrialization Summit, Calls for Faster, Bolder Action in Manufacturing Sector to Achieve Carbon Neutrality by 2050

2 September 2020

SG/SM/20227

As COVID-19 Fuels Conflict, Threatens International Security, Global Unity to Fight Terrorism Needed More Than Ever, Secretary-General Tells Agaba Process Meeting

31 August 2020

SC/14292

Security Council Announces Failure to Adopt Text on Prosecuting, Rehabilitating Foreign Terrorist Fighters, by Vote of 14 in Favour, 1 Against

The Security Council, in a videoconference meeting on 31 August, announced that a draft resolution aimed at advancing measures to prosecute, rehabilitate and reintegrate foreign terrorist fighters did not pass owing to a negative vote by a permanent member.

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 5 Sep 2020]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[UN Human Rights Office highlights fabricated information in relation to Algeria](#)

After the publication of a number of articles misrepresenting the UN human rights system in relation to Algeria, the UN Human Rights Office is issuing the following clarification

[Bachelet welcomes Sudan peace deal, urges accountability](#)

[Comment by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet on the pardon of 110 in Venezuela](#)

[Enforced disappearances: UN Committee welcomes Mexico's decision on individual complaints](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Council News

No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest news

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

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

Latest News

[**UN human rights experts welcome Qatar's improvement of migrant rights**](#)

3 September 2020

UN OCHA [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press releases/Announcements

Press release

09/03/2020

[UNICEF to lead procurement and supply of COVID-19 vaccines in world's largest and fastest ever operation of its kind](#)

UNICEF will work with manufacturers and partners on the procurement of vaccine doses as well as freight, logistics and storage of COVID-19 vaccines, on behalf of global COVAX Facility

Press release

09/03/2020

[Increased support vital to help children affected by Beirut explosions back to school, one month after devastating explosions](#)

183 education facilities damaged or destroyed by the blasts, affecting over 77,000 children and youth as new school year approaches

Press release

09/03/2020

[World's richest countries grappling with children's reading and math skills, mental well-being and obesity](#)

New report ranks the Netherlands, Denmark and Norway the best among EU and OECD countries for child wellbeing; and highlights substantial threats to child well-being due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Press release

09/01/2020

[Business, government, multilateral agency and UN leaders commit to connecting children and young people to the internet by 2030](#)

As half the world's population remain unconnected, a virtual 'Generation Unlimited' event calls for urgent action and investment to bridge the digital divide and scale-up digital learning and skilling opportunities

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[Resurging violence could spark mass displacement in DRC's Kasai, UNHCR warns](#)

[4 Sep 2020](#)

[Côte d'Ivoire adopts Africa's first legal process to identify and protect stateless people](#)

[4 Sep 2020](#)

[UNHCR's Assistant High Commissioners visit Greece, discuss refugee protection challenges and urge more support](#)

[4 Sep 2020](#)

[UNHCR Report: Coronavirus a dire threat to refugee education - half of the world's refugee children out of school.](#)

[3 Sep 2020](#)

[UNHCR condemns deadly attack on internally displaced people in north Cameroon](#)

[2 Sep 2020](#)

[Refugee community networks help detect COVID-19 in Ecuador](#)

[1 Sep 2020](#)

[Heavy floods devastate displaced and host communities in Sudan](#)

[1 Sep 2020](#)

[UNHCR and IOM call for urgent disembarkation of rescued migrants and refugees in Central Mediterranean Sea](#)

[29 Aug 2020](#)

[COVID-19 driving Nicaraguan refugees to hunger and desperation](#)

[28 Aug 2020](#)

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[Resettlement to France Resumes as Syrian Refugees Arrive from Lebanon with IOM Support](#)

2020-09-04 13:00

Paris – Nearly 300 Syrian refugees – including 113 children – have left Lebanon and arrived safely in Europe over the past week through France’s national resettlement programme. The refugees traveled via two chartered resettlement flights organized by the International...

[European Union Joins IOM to Aid Households Affected by Desert Locust Infestation](#)

2020-09-04 12:59

Addis Ababa – In Ethiopia, an infestation of desert locusts is inflicting untold damage to crops, leading to a deterioration of the food security situation and an additional threat to livelihoods.

[IOM Releases Guidelines for Labour Recruiters of Migrant Domestic Workers](#)

2020-09-04 12:57

Geneva – Globally, there are more than 67 million domestic workers over the age of 15. Eighty per cent are women; one in five is a migrant worker.

[IOM Supports COVID-19 Quarantine Facilities Across East and Horn of Africa](#)

2020-09-01 12:58

Nairobi – Tens of thousands of migrants who have managed to return in recent months to their countries of origin across the East and Horn of Africa have received assistance from IOM in government-operated COVID-19 quarantine facilities. Among these are more than 2,000 children..

[Urgent Coordinated Response Needed to the Alarming Conditions of Migrants and Refugees Detained in Melilla: IOM, UNHCR](#)

2020-08-29 21:54

Madrid - The International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) call on Spanish authorities to adopt urgent and coordinated measures to respond to the concerning situation of refugees, asylum seekers and migrants hosted in the autonomous city of Melilla, both in the...

[IOM and UNHCR call for urgent disembarkation of rescued migrants and refugees in Central Mediterranean Sea](#)

2020-08-29 17:15

Geneva- The International Organization for Migration (IOM) and UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, are calling for the immediate disembarkation of more than 400 rescued migrants and refugees currently on board three vessels in the Central Mediterranean.

UNAIDS [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

4 September 2020

[Guyana's HIV food bank comes to the rescue during COVID-19](#)

4 September 2020

[Evaluation of UNFPA support to the HIV response](#)

WHO & Regional Offices [to 5 Sep 2020]

3 September 2020 *Departmental news*

[WHO convenes expert group for behaviour change](#)

31 August 2020 *News release*

[In WHO global pulse survey, 90% of countries report disruptions to essential health services since COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[See Milestones above for detail]

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

[WHO African Region AFRO](#)

:: [04 September 2020 Decisive and timely: Mauritius' response curbs COVID-19](#)

:: [03 September 2020 African countries engaging in ground-breaking COVID-19 vaccine initiative](#)

[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](#)

:: [Europe lights the way for schooling during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond 04-09-2020](#)

:: [Unleashing the potential of vaccines for a healthier Europe 02-09-2020](#)

:: [Athens protects vulnerable communities during COVID-19 01-09-2020](#)

:: [Towards a consensus on safe schooling in the WHO European Region during the COVID-19 pandemic 31-08-2020](#)

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Statement by WHO's Regional Director on an upsurge in the number of COVID-19 cases in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

3 September 2020 – Our Region is close to approaching a new grim milestone of 2 million COVID-19 cases: as of 1 September, the cumulative number of cases in the Region is now more than 1 936 221, with 51 326 deaths. Of greatest concern is a new upsurge in cases in a number of countries, highlighting the negative consequences of lack of adherence to public health measures....

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: Protecting older people against COVID-19 3 September 2020

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest from News Centre

COVID-19 will widen poverty gap between women and men, new UN Women and UNDP data shows

The pandemic will push 47 million more women and girls below the poverty line, reversing decades of progress to eradicate extreme poverty

Posted on September 2, 2020

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Publications

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

01 Sep 2020 *Press release*

[Improved climate action on food systems can deliver 20 percent of global emissions reductions needed by 2050](#)

Nairobi, 1 September 2020 - Policymakers can improve the chances of achieving climate goals and limiting global warming to 1.5oC by making more specific commitments to transforming national food systems. Enhancing...

01 Sep 2020 *Press release*

[UNEP launches "Green Nudges" programme for universities](#)

Nairobi, 01 September 2020 - The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) today launched a new publication, "The Little Book of Green Nudges", which aims to inspire up to 200 million students around the globe to adopt...

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Updates

4 September 2020

[Strengthening and learning from China's work in Disaster Risk Reduction](#)

To prevent disasters such as the recent floods that impacted China, UNDRR co-organized a workshop to strengthen China's ability to report damage and loss data and track implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.

Press Releases

4 September 2020

[COVID-19 and the climate emergency tell us all we need to know about disaster risk governance](#)

'Disaster risk governance' was announced today as the theme of this year's International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction on 13 October in a year when a great number of people have died and fallen ill because of the COVID-19 pandemic. In a statement today

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[Shaping data-based realities](#)

3 September 2020, New York

Less than one year into the pandemic, COVID-19 is radically reshaping our globe. To respond to these rapid changes in a timely fashion, the world needs reliable information that captures the full extent of the pandemic's impact. Up to date data and statistics will allow us to make better-informed decisions on how to respond to the crisis and to build back better.

The UN's Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (CCSA) issued a new report to meet this urgent need. Volume II of the series "How COVID-19 is changing the world: a statistical perspective" uses the latest available data to map the economic, social, regional and statistical

dimensions of our changing world. Compiled and edited by UNICEF and UN DESA's Statistics and Population Divisions, the report's second volume updates and expands on the various global, regional and thematic trends identified in the first volume, which was released in May 2020.

The findings are, in the report's own words, grim. Trends identified "illustrate the unpredictable nature of the pandemic" and its disproportionate effect on vulnerable groups and those with special needs. For instance, the report documents the impact of COVID-19 on displaced persons, on women as well as on the 71-100 million people at risk of being pushed into extreme poverty.

The latest economic trends highlight the costs of national lockdowns, as they ripple through private and public sectors. Regional disparities in economic and social impact are stark, as are existing forms of discrimination and human rights abuses, which have been exacerbated by the pandemic.

Grimmer still, are the challenges facing national statistics systems that we rely on to inform policy. The report warns that, during a time when reliable information is more essential than ever, many systems are struggling to compile even the most basic statistics both due to the pandemic, and because of the reallocation of resources COVID-19 has prompted...

UNESCO [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

[ArThemis, the open-access cultural property restitution database](#)

01/09/2020

[See Week in Review above for detail]

[New UNESCO report on Artificial Intelligence and Gender Equality](#)

31/08/2020

UNESCO just released its new report on Artificial Intelligence and Gender Equality, which sets forth proposed elements of a Framework on Gender Equality and AI for further consideration, discussion and elaboration amongst various stakeholders.

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Announcements

[ICOMOS Lebanon - Statement of Concern on the Destruction of Cultural Landscape Heritage](#)

Written on 04 September 2020.

ICOMOS International invites you to read and share the Statement of Concern by ICOMOS Lebanon regarding the Bisri Valley and Dam Project, Chouf/Jezzine, Lebanon:

"The International Council on Monuments and Sites of Lebanon (ICOMOS-Lebanon), as a national non-governmental organization dedicated to the conservation of Lebanon's monuments and sites, is very much concerned about the proposed Bisri Dam Project to be constructed in the Bisri Valley, located between the Chouf and Jezzine districts south of Beirut. Upon reviewing the available documentation and reports including the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Report Vol.1, CDR 2014 related to the Dam construction, ICOMOS Lebanon believes that the current state of knowledge is largely

insufficient to allow the destruction of valuable cultural assets - including the landscape itself - present in the Bisri Valley. There is currently enough evidence to suggest that Bisri's cultural value has a high potential of being unique or outstanding on the regional or even the universal level. It is also evident that this value is interrelated with the site's context and nearby valuable assets. Besides the ecological disaster it entails, the dam project will lead to a heavy loss for the cultural heritage value of the whole region and affect the potential for World Heritage Listing of a site currently inscribed on the tentative list, the Eshmoun Temple - a monumental Phoenician structure dedicated to the tutelary Phoenician god of Sidon and characterized by its "healing water" cult...

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

03/09/2020 –

[**Partners Welcome the Move to Mainstream Alternative Justice Systems in Kenya**](#)

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 5 Sep 2020]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

News and Stories

[**UN-Habitat's Pontus Westerberg on video games pushing community-led urban planning**](#)

2 September 2020

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

COVID-19: Protecting workers in the workplace

[**ILO welcomes Singapore port's new measures to help seafarers and ease crew rotations**](#)

01 September 2020

Singapore has brought in new measures to facilitate the safe rotation of crews at its port, while protecting ships and the local community.

August 2020

Changes in the labour market in Qatar

[**Dismantling the kafala system and introducing a minimum wage mark new era for Qatar labour market**](#)

30 August 2020

Greater freedom to change jobs, combined with a non-discriminatory minimum wage, will benefit employers and workers alike.

COVID-19 stories

[**First person: COVID-19 stories from the world of work**](#)

30 August 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed our world in ways we could hardly have imagined. Everyone has been affected and everyone has a story to share. See some of their stories here.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

[**ICAO, UPU, urge national commitments and support for postal, air cargo, and express mail operators**](#)

1/9/20

[**ICAO, UNOCT, conclude important agreement to curb terrorist mobility through the global exchange of API-PNR data**](#)

31/8/20

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest Press Briefings

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://www.upu.int/en/News-Media/Press/Press-Releases>

Press Releases

[**UPU/ICAO urge support for posts, air cargo carriers and express mail operators during COVID-19 pandemic**](#)

9/1/2020 — 1 September 2020 (Montreal/Berne) - The following is a joint statement from the Universal Postal Union and the International Civil Aviation Organization:

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the Universal Postal Union (UPU) encourage United Nations member states to continue to support their designated postal operators, air cargo carriers and express mail operators during the ongoing COVID-19 crisis and to provide support for future recovery efforts...

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[**World manufacturing set for biggest collapse in decades but impacts uneven – UNIDO report**](#)

During the second quarter of 2020, manufacturing production fell sharply in most countries around the world, with the notable exception of China where output had already returned to moderate growth.

On current estimates, UNIDO expects a decline in global manufacturing value added of 8.4 per cent for the year as a whole, which would make 2020 the worst year on official records for the sector.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

[GMIS 2020 Virtual Summit tackles glocalization and inclusive and sustainable value chains](#)

VIENNA, 3 September - A high-level audience of international policymakers, private sector leaders, renowned academics and civil society representatives are addressing "glocalization: towards inclusive and sustainable value chains" during the Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation (GMIS) 2020 Virtual Summit taking place online from 4- 5 September.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

By Clare Naden on 2 September 2020

[Banking on safety](#)

A new committee for safes and vaults has just been created.

1 September 2020

[COVID-19: National resources](#)

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

By Clare Naden on 31 August 2020

[Getting big on blockchain](#)

New International Standards for blockchain help to facilitate a common understanding and support its adoption in a safe and secure way.

However, blockchain's rapid growth has led to a wide array of terminology that can be confusing for many. The recently published [ISO 22739](#), Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies – Vocabulary, helps to resolve this issue by defining the basic terms relating to blockchain and distributed ledger technologies and providing a common language that can be used worldwide...

Newly published, the technical report [ISO/TR 23244](#), Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies – Privacy and personally identifiable information protection considerations, identifies and assesses known privacy-related risks and offers ways to mitigate them. It also covers the privacy-enhancing potential of blockchain and DLT.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

[GII 2020: COVID-19 Pandemic's Expected Impact on Global Innovation; Annual Ranking Topped by Switzerland, Sweden, U.S., U.K. and Netherlands](#)

The COVID-19 pandemic is severely pressuring a long-building rise in worldwide innovation, likely hindering some innovative activities while catalyzing ingenuity elsewhere, notably in the health sector, according to the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2020.

Sep 2, 2020 PR/2020/860

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements

[Deputy Administrator Glick's Remarks at the AJC Virtual Summit on U.S.-India-Israel Relations](#)

September 3, 2020

America's goal is to build friendships that are mutually beneficial and mutually respectful. We seek friends who share our values and want to be our strategic partners. Israel and India are inspiring success stories of our foreign assistance aim -- to raise our friends to self-sustaining prosperity and sovereignty.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [nee DFID] [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office>

Press Releases

4 September 2020 — *Press release*

[UK to increase support to civil society and independent media in Belarus](#)

FCDO Minister Wendy Morton represented the UK at an informal meeting of the UN Security Council on the situation in Belarus.

2 September 2020 — *Press release*

[Foreign Secretary statement on Alexey Navalny](#)

Following a statement by the German government on Alexey Navalny, Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab made the below comments.

2 September 2020 — *Press release*

[New Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office will lead global action to ensure world's poorest are protected from ravages of coronavirus and famine](#)

Foreign Secretary urges countries to step up alongside the UK to fight back against coronavirus and growing risk of famine in developing countries.

ECHO [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

Coronavirus: EU channels assistance to Montenegro and Kosovo

03/09/2020

Responding to a request via the EU Civil Protection Mechanism, Slovenia has offered surgical masks and different kinds of disinfectant to Montenegro and Kosovo. This support comes on top of protective equipment and other items sent by Austria and...

EU and Germany join efforts to support the African Union's response to coronavirus

01/09/2020

The EU continues to work with Member States to tackle the coronavirus pandemic on all fronts. Today, 500,000 additional coronavirus testing kits have been provided to the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia....

Lebanon: EU delivers additional emergency assistance following the explosion in Beirut

31/08/2020

Today a second European Union Humanitarian Air bridge flight lands in Beirut, Lebanon, delivering 12 tonnes of essential humanitarian supplies and medical equipment, including a mobile hospital and face masks. The transportation cost of the flight...

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African Union [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

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Call to address the situation of stranded African migrant workers in Lebanon

September 03, 2020

Africa CDC launches web-based tool to better manage public health emergency workforce deployments

September 01, 2020

Germany and European Union jointly support African Union's response to COVID-19

September 01, 2020

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Secretariat News

ASEAN, ROK to hold webinar on smart tourism amid COVID-19

SEOUL, 3 SEPTEMBER 2020 – The ASEAN Korea Centre will hold a webinar on ASEAN-Korea tourism titled "Recovering from COVID-19: Smart Tourism for ASEAN and Korea" on Tuesday, 8 September at 13:30 (KST) through YouTube livestreaming. The webinar is co-organized with the Korea Tourism Organization and Travie, Korea's leading travel media. It aims to boost ASEAN [...]

European Commission [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest

Press release 4 September 2020

[Coronavirus: Commission proposes more clarity and predictability of any measures restricting free movement in the European Union](#)

The Commission has today adopted a proposal for a Council Recommendation to ensure that any measures taken by Member States that restrict free movement due to the coronavirus pandemic are coordinated and clearly communicated at the EU level.

Press release 1 September 2020

[EU and Germany join efforts to support the African Union's response to coronavirus](#)

A second batch of German coronavirus testing kits have been handed over to the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia today.

Press release 31 August 2020

[Lebanon: EU delivers additional emergency assistance following the explosion in Beirut](#)

Today a second European Union (EU) Humanitarian Air bridge flight landed in Beirut, Lebanon, delivering 12 tonnes of essential humanitarian supplies and medical equipment, including a mobile hospital and face masks.

Press release 31 August 2020

[Coronavirus Global Response: Commission joins the COVID-19 Vaccine Global Access Facility \(COVAX\)](#)

Today, the European Commission has confirmed its interest to participate in the COVAX Facility for equitable access to affordable COVID-19 vaccines everywhere, for everyone who needs them

OECD [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

3-September-2020

[Countries have responded decisively to the COVID-19 crisis, but face significant fiscal challenges ahead](#)

Governments have taken unprecedented fiscal action in response to the COVID-19 crisis, but countries will need to support economic recovery in the face of significantly increasing fiscal challenges, according a new OECD report.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

[OIC General Secretariat Discusses Strengthening Cooperation with the US Department of State in Areas of Women Empowerment](#)

A delegation from the OIC Department of Social and Cultural Affaires, led by Assistant Secretary General Tarig Ali Bakheet had a virtual meeting on Thursday, 3 September 2020, with Ambassador At Large Kelly E. Currie, the Ambassador for Global Women Issues at the US Department of State....
04/09/2020

OIC Condemns Republishing of Charlie Hebdo's Offensive Cartoons of Prophet Muhammad and Commends French President's Call for Civility and Mutual Respect

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) denounced the decision by French magazine Charlie Hebdo to republish cartoons satirizing Prophet Muhammad (Peace and Blessing be upon Him)....
02/09/2020

Secretary General calls on states and humanitarian organizations to assist families affected by recent flooding in Sudan

The Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Dr. Yousef Al-Othaimeen, called on the member states and humanitarian organizations to provide urgent support to the Republic of the Sudan, after heavy flashfloods and torrents have affected large parts of the country over the past days, claiming the lives of dozens of people and cutting off many others in Khartoum and other state capitals....
01/09/2020

OIC Delivers Emergency aid to the Lebanese People

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) has completed the delivery of emergency aid to the Lebanese people through the Islamic Solidarity Fund (ISF), an OIC's subsidiary organ. Dr. Yousef A. Al-Othaimeen, the OIC's Secretary-General, expressed in a statement, the OIC's solidarity with the affected families and the Lebanese people in general to alleviate the repercussions of the Beirut Port explosion....
30/08/2020

Group of 77 [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches

[Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ms. Megayla Austin, Charge d'affaires of the Permanent Mission of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana to the United Nations, at the 42nd session of the Committee on Information \(New York, 2 September 2020\)](#)

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UNCTAD [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

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No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News – Selected Items

03 September 2020

[WCO Secretary General addresses scholars in Japan on WCO's significant role during COVID-19 crisis](#)

01 September 2020

[WCO Secretary General participates in talks to prepare Lebanon Customs reform and modernization](#)

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

WTO News and Events

[DDG Wolff: Trade, global cooperation can best deliver adequate medical supplies](#)

4 September 2020

International trade and cooperation among WTO members are vital to ensure sufficient supplies of medical devices during the COVID-19 crisis, Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff said on 4 September. Speaking at a virtual event organized by the Friedrich Schiller University, DDG Wolff said that trade can be the most efficient and economical avenue for delivering medical devices as long as WTO members work together to assure the reliability of trade channels.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 5 Sep 2020]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 5 Sep 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]

[Q&A: Bisri Dam Project Cancellation](#)

1. When and why has the Bisri Dam project been cancelled? On September 5, 2020, the World Bank (WB) notified the Government of Lebanon (GOL) of the partial cancellation of disbursements under...
Date: September 04, 2020 Type: Factsheet Language: English

Cancellation of Water Supply Augmentation Project (Bisri Dam Project)

Beirut, September 5, 2020 – The World Bank today notified the Government of Lebanon (GOL) of its decision to cancel the undisbursed funds under the Water Supply Augmentation Project (Bisri Dam Project)...

Date: September 04, 2020 Type: Statement Language: English

Food Security and COVID-19

Alarmed by a potential rise in food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, many countries and organizations are mounting special efforts to keep agriculture safely running as an essential business, markets...

Date: August 31, 2020 Type: Brief Language: English

[See Week in Review above for detail]

IMF [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News, Announcements

September 1, 2020

The Global Education Emergency

Kristalina Georgieva's Letter to Gordon Brown, UN Special Envoy for Global Education and Chair of the International Commission on Financing Global Education Opportunity. Mr. Brown had personally shared with Ms. Georgieva an Open Letter calling for urgent action to address the global education emergency triggered by COVID-19.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

African Development Bank Group [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

Rebuilding the African fashion industry in the (post) COVID-19 era: thinking digital and circular solutions

04-Sep-2020 - The disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic on global value chains and its impact on African businesses is already evident. As factories close their doors and border closures and travel restrictions interrupt supply chains, the workers - the most vulnerable and lowest paid people in the fashion supply chain – have been left to feel the worst effects.

"We must help Africa build back boldly, but smartly," says African Development Bank President Adesina

01-Sep-2020 - In a speech kicking off his second term as African Development Bank chief, newly sworn in President Akinwumi Adesina unveiled a sweeping vision to consolidate the institution's successes of the last five years, hone the Bank's operations and exploit opportunities and urgency created by the COVID-19 pandemic. "The COVID-19 pandemic has changed everything globally. It has thrown Africa's growth back," Adesina said. "Now, we must help Africa build back boldly, but smartly, paying greater attention to quality growth: especially in the areas of..."

[African leaders reaffirm support for African Development Bank as President Adesina begins second term](#)

01-Sep-2020 - African leaders on Tuesday reaffirmed their support for the African Development Bank Group and its leadership under Dr. Akinwumi Adesina as he begins his second five-year term with a renewed mandate to foster sustainable development on the continent.

[Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, eighth President of the African Development Bank, sworn in for second term](#)

01-Sep-2020 - "Today, a rainbow stretches from the 81 member countries of the African Development Bank across the deep blue skies of Africa...The future beckons us for a more developed Africa and a much stronger and resilient African Development Bank." With these powerful words President of the African Development Bank Group, Dr. Akinwumi Adesina addressed participants after formally being sworn into office for a second term Tuesday. President Adesina's historic re-election took place last week.

Asian Development Bank [to 5 Sep 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]
31 Aug 2020

[Rebuilding from COVID-19 Requires Green, Resilient, Inclusive Actions — ADB President](#)

The SDGs and related targets in the Paris Agreement on climate change provide strong frameworks for the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic in Asia and the Pacific, ADB President Masatsugu Asakawa said at a high-level event...

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

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News

Beijing, China, Sep. 02, 2020

[AIIB and the Izmir Metropolitan Municipality Sign Loan Agreement to Improve Transport Connectivity and Urban Mobility](#)

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the Izmir Metropolitan Municipality have signed a loan agreement of EUR50 million (approximately USD60 million equivalent) to İzmir Büyükşehir Belediyesi (Izmir Metropolitan Municipality) to extend and increase the capacity, connectivity and efficiency of a metro line in the city of Izmir, Turkey.

Beijing, China, Sep. 01, 2020

[AIIB Appoints Erik Berglof as Inaugural Chief Economist](#)

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) President Jin Liqun today announced that Erik Berglof has been appointed the Bank's first Chief Economist, effective Sep. 1, 2020.

Beijing, China, Aug. 31, 2020

[AIIB Approves EUR70-M Loan to Support Turkey's Healthcare Infrastructure](#)

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank's (AIIB) Board of Directors has approved a loan of EUR70 million (approximately USD82.6 million equivalent) to support the Government of Turkey in strengthening its healthcare emergency response against the COVID-19 pandemic.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

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[**Sweden commits funds to IFAD to help avert COVID-19 food crisis**](#)

Islamic Development Bank [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

Senegal Country Focus

[**IsDB Group implements 80 development projects in Senegal worth US\\$2.6 billion**](#)

30 August 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 5 Sep 2020]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

Mission France

[**Pas de vacances pour la solidarité**](#)

Posté le 28 août 2020

Nos équipes restent engagées pour les plus vulnérables face aux conséquences de la crise COVID-19 et aux besoins grandissants en France.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa_ [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

[EU Supports Wheels for Life Expansion to Five Counties for Pregnant Women to Access Emergency Medical Care During COVID-19 Curfew Hours](#)

September 3, 2020

Aravind Eye Care System [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest

September 06, 2020

[Keeping the price of rice down: A prerequisite for food security](#)

Bangladesh is one of the leading rice producers in South Asia, with its rice-dominant agriculture sector showing encouraging performance for two decades now. This achievement is vitally important for the country, with rice production and supply being a significant determinant of Bangladesh's food self-sufficiency and security.

September 01, 2020

[Cash transfers to support families during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Clubhouse International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[SAVE THE DATE -- Oct. 8-9 -- Our 2020 USA Clubhouse Conference is Now VIRTUAL!](#)

This Year's USA Clubhouse Conference is Now VIRTUAL. Registration details are coming soon!

Danish Refugee Council [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

NEWS

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News from ECPAT

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

[Statement from President and CEO, Ashwin Vasan, MD, PhD, regarding recent police violence involving individuals with mental illness](#)

Posted on: September 4, 2020

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

All news

[HI assisting the injured](#)

Emergency | Lebanon | PUBLISHED ON September 3rd 2020

[COVID-19 response: HI assisting schools in Madagascar](#)

Emergency | Prevention | Madagascar | PUBLISHED ON September 1st 2020

Heifer International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[Missing Monument.com: Digital artwork goes live on International Day of the Disappeared](#)

A digital exhibition dedicated to missing persons and their families to mark the 2020 edition of the International Day of the Disappeared.

02-09-2020 | News release

[Mozambique: Families fleeing attacks seek shelter in COVID-19 hotspot; Country's largest treatment centre opens](#)

How the ICRC is helping displaced people, exposed to the risk of COVID-19, fleeing armed conflict in Mozambique's northern province of Cabo Delgado.

02-09-2020 | News release

[Humanitarian impacts and risks of use of nuclear weapons](#)

10th Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons Report

29 August 2020

[In Lebanon, addressing question of missing persons remains a humanitarian priority for ICRC](#)

On the International Day of the Disappeared, the ICRC is working towards clarifying the fate of missing persons in Lebanon
28-08-2020 | News release

IFRC [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements
Americas, Bahamas*

[Hurricane Dorian anniversary: Thousands supported during a global pandemic and in the midst of hurricane season](#)

Panama/Geneva, 1 September 2020 — One year after Hurricane Dorian devastated communities in the Bahamas, the Red Cross has assisted thousands of families with emergency relief, financial assistance and support for long-term recovery.

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Video

[COVID-19 Global Update: September 2020](#)

September 1, 2020

International Medical Corps is taking decisive action to prepare for and respond to COVID-19 in the communities we serve.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Media highlights

Press Release

[COVID-19 cases increase 220% in month since Beirut explosion](#)

September 1, 2020

Press Release

[Back to school in humanitarian settings finds \\$135 million funding gap and increased digital divide](#)

August 31, 2020

IRCT [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://irct.org/>

Latest News

News 03 Sep 2020

[Do you need expert support in documenting torture and human rights violations?](#)

News 01 Sep 2020

[Renowned Professor, Sir Malcolm Evans, joins the Torture Journal Editorial Advisory Board](#)

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News, Blog

[Heavy monsoon flooding causes devastation in Pakistan and Afghanistan](#)

Published: 3 September, 2020

[Islamic Relief increases support in Lebanon in the aftermath of the explosion in Beirut](#)

Published: 3 September, 2020

[Families in Syria are struggling amid a severe food crisis](#)

Published: 2 September, 2020

Landsea [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News Releases & Alerts

September 02, 2020

[FCDO Merger an 'Unmissable Opportunity' to Tackle Global Crises at Root Cause](#)

Today, as the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) is launched, the global organisation Mercy Corps has...

September 01, 2020

[News Alert: Statement by Mercy Corps in Response to the Historic Sudan Peace Deal](#)

In response to the breakthrough peace deal announced yesterday, which has the potential to end two decades of violence...

September 01, 2020

[News Alert: One year after Hurricane Dorian, recovery continues with new challenges](#)

Today marks one year since Hurricane Dorian, one of the most powerful Atlantic hurricanes on record, struck The Bahamas...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Lebanon

"The explosion did not distinguish between its victims and neither shou...

Interview 4 Sep 2020

DRC Ebola outbreaks

Crisis update - September 2020

Crisis Update 4 Sep 2020

DRC Ebola outbreaks

Responding to new Ebola outbreak in Équateur province

Project Update 4 Sep 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

Greek police enforce unwarranted and cruel quarantine of Moria camp ...

Statement 3 Sep 2020

Mediterranean migration

Sea-Watch 4 is allocated a port of safety 11 days after first rescue

Interview 2 Sep 2020

Nigeria

"When I think about going home, I remind myself that a live dog is better than a ...

Voices from the Field 1 Sep 2020

Cameroon

A hospital at the heart of the North-West crisis in Cameroon

Project Update 1 Sep 2020

Operation Smile [to 5 Sep 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.

OXFAM [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected News/Announcements

Beirut: One month since the blast and thousands can't afford a front door

4 September 2020

One month since the massive blast in Beirut, tens of thousands of vulnerable people are unable to rebuild their homes, with a single front door costing two months' worth of a minimum-wage salary, warned Oxfam today.

Greece's asylum system cannot be the blueprint for EU asylum reform

3 September 2020

The first case of the new coronavirus in Greece's biggest refugee camp highlights the need for immediate and radical changes from the Greek government and its EU partners to the reception of people seeking asylum in Europe.

[Urgent EU action needed to prevent catastrophic spread of coronavirus in Moria refugee camp, say Oxfam and GCR](#)

2 September 2020

The first confirmed case of COVID-19 has been reported in the refugee camp of Moria in Lesbos, Greece. The Greek government and its EU partners must immediately take urgent action to avoid a health tragedy in the camp.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest news

Middle East | 01. Sep 2020

[Middle East: Fear of Covid-19 triggers alarming rise in displaced children's stress](#)

PRESS RELEASE: Displaced children in the Middle East are reporting an alarming rise in stress levels triggered by fear of Covid-19, with an average increase of 45 per cent since the pandemic started.

Middle East/Lebanon | 31. Aug 2020

[Beirut explosion: Tens of thousands of new homeless face winter crisis](#)

Tens of thousands of people made homeless by the explosion in Beirut on 4 August risk being left out in the rain and cold unless aid funding is stepped up immediately, the Norwegian Refugee Council warns.

Pact [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

Sep 04, 2020

[PIH-Lesotho Receives UN Award for Community-Based COVID-19 Program](#)

The UNDP honor specially recognizes PIH's work to reach communities in remote mountain areas of the southern Africa nation, through local health centers and village health workers.

Sep 02, 2020

[In Peru, PIH Offers Virtual Sessions on Child Development Amid COVID-19](#)

Partners In Health offers free sessions for caregivers and young children in Peru, teaching foundational skills through play.

Sep 01, 2020

[Q&A: PIH Doctors, Ebola Fighters Share Cross-Atlantic COVID-19 Experiences](#)

Dr. Marta Lado and Dr. Regan Marsh have seen challenges, injustices, and successes fighting the pandemic in disparate settings.

Sep 01, 2020

[Q&A: COVID-19 Underscores Decades of Systemic Racism, From Navajo Nation To New England](#)

Partners In Health sat down with Thomas Sequist to discuss a recent piece he wrote for the New England Journal of Medicine that examines the impact of COVID-19 on the Navajo Nation and Chelsea, Massachusetts.

PATH [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

[Expanding access to HPV vaccines: PATH to evaluate safety and immunogenicity of new HPV vaccine](#)

August 31, 2020 by Tara Newton

PATH, Inovax, KfW, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are partnering to expand options for human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines in the countries that need them most.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

2 September 2020 - *Brussels*

[Over 200,000 lone child migrants left to uncertain fates in Europe](#)

1 September 2020 - *Kenya*

[Sub-Saharan Africa: 426 children per day at risk of death from hunger following impact of COVID-19](#)

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

All News

Education – September 1 2020

[The digital divide puts the education of millions of students at risk](#)

At a time of year when children usually prepare to go back to school, the COVID-19 pandemic has created a new educational reality where many children will go online.

Tostan [to 5 Sep 2020]

<http://www.tostan.org>

News

Tostan Annual Report 2019

Sep 4, 2020

Tostan 2019 Annual Report is now available. Our many strong partnerships and solid accomplishments ground us as Tostan continues forward in our mission despite unprecedented challenges. The pandemic and the associated disruptions have highlighted the...

Tostan Mali COVID19 Update

Sep 3, 2020

The first two confirmed cases of COVID-19 were reported in Mali on March 25, 2020. The first step taken by the Government of Mali was the development of a disease prevention and control plan with four main areas: prevention, communication, capacity building and case...

Men End FGM Movement in Kenya

Aug 31, 2020

Tostan Training Center Alumni, Tony Mwebia, Jeremiah Kipainoi and Catherine Thiakunu of #MenEndFGM Movement, hosting a training to share sessions on Human Rights principles learnt at Tostan during their Male Champions training in Meru County, Kenya.

Women for Women International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Blogs & Updates

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 5 Sep 2020]

<http://wvi.org/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

Latest Updates

Azerbaijan: Opposition Leader Sentenced to Years in Prison On Politically Motivated Charges

Press release

September 3, 2020

Pandemic and Persecution in Venezuela

Perspectives

August 31, 2020

Uzbekistan: Freedom House Welcomes Release of Political Prisoners

Press release

August 31, 2020

Human Rights Watch [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

Press Releases

September 6, 2020

US Should Shun Autocrats, Re-Embrace Human Rights

The U.S. government has never been a consistent promoter of human rights — other interests were often prioritized — but when it did act, it could be powerful. Yet U.S. influence on human rights has plummeted under President Donald Trump. If Joe Biden assumes the presidency, he will need to oversee a major transformation if he wants the U.S. government to be a credible human rights voice.

Asia

September 4, 2020

News Release

India: Stop Using Pellet-Firing Shotguns in Kashmir

September 4, 2020

News Release

China: Mongolian Mother-Tongue Classes Curtailed

September 2, 2020

US Sanctions International Criminal Court Prosecutor

Trump Administration's Action Tries to Block Justice for World's Worst Crimes

Africa

September 2, 2020

Witness

Stories of South Africa's Powerful Women Doing Extraordinary Things

Philippa H Stewart

Senior Media Office

Transparency International [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press

Alarm over concentration of power in the Presidency in Colombia

Transparency International and its national chapter in Colombia, Transparencia Por Colombia, express their deep concern at the growing concentration of power in the President of the Republic to the...

03 September 2020

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ChildFund Alliance [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

News/ Statements

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 5 Sep 2020]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

News

No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Resources

[**Disaster training programmes help medical students prepare for pandemics**](#)**Added September 6, 2020**

[**Nosocomial infections among coronavirus patients \(search done on 31 March 2020\)**](#)**Added September 1, 2020**

[**Stress, anxiety and depression during the COVID-19 pandemic \(search done in May 2020\)**](#)**Added August 30, 2020**

Gavi [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News releases

No new digest content identified.

Getty Conservation Institute [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

[**First Release of Getty's New Research Collections Viewer Offers Digital Access to Vast Archives**](#)

A new online tool invites you to browse thousands of photographs and artists' letters, with more to come

Nathaniel Deines | September 2, 2020

[See Week in Review for detail]

Global Fund [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News/Updates

News

[Qatar Increases its Contribution to the Global Fund Fivefold](#)

03 September 2020

Qatar and the Global Fund today signed a multi-year contribution agreement for US\$50 million for 2020-2022, strengthening their partnership in fighting infectious diseases and in building resilient systems for health.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources, events, content

Upcoming events

[Webinar: Balancing Risk Appetite and Risk Tolerance in Humanitarian Operations](#)

September 8, 2020 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm

online

[Launch of the report on the seventh meeting of the Istanbul Process](#)

September 9, 2020 - 4:15pm to 5:15pm

Online

InterAction [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Challenges to Civil Society

[Protecting Migrants' Civic Freedoms Amid COVID-19](#)

Kate Barth | Aug 31, 2020

Crises & Countries in Conflict

[InterAction's Response to COVID-19](#)

InterAction | Aug 31, 2020

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Publications

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 5 Sep 2020]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

Our Impact

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[COVID-19 Portal Update](#)

Week of 1 Sep

Note: This update is also available as a newsletter. You can sign up for the latest resources relevant to humanitarian COVID-19 responses [here](#).

Cities are the epicentre of the pandemic, because of which it is crucial that the complexities of urban areas are taken into account in humanitarian responses. Informal settlements in particular have vulnerabilities that invoke significant risk during COVID-19. This week, we've highlighted three key resources on urban response under COVID-19, and you can also find a list of upcoming COVID-19 related webinars and recent resources.

This policy brief by World Vision outlines the risks of COVID-19 to children in urban contexts due to the challenges of protecting against the virus in urban slums, informal settlements and low-income neighbourhoods. Children suffer disproportionately from the difficult living conditions in these spaces, and World Vision has outlined recommendations in this brief for national and local governments, UN agencies, NGOs and donors to best mitigate these risks.

This paper highlights the major challenges and considerations for addressing COVID-19 in informal settlements. It discusses vulnerabilities in a number of different areas and potential health impacts in such settings and looks at how to support local actions and strategy to ensure that responses to COVID-19 do not repeat historical mistakes of stigmatising informal settlements and their residents.

The United Nations has produced a policy brief looking at the challenges in urban areas during the COVID-19 pandemic. Cities are the epicentre of the pandemic, and it is crucial that conscious policy choices are made to ensure that they navigate through the crisis efficiently. This brief provides a set of recommendations touching upon inequalities, local capacities, a green inclusive recovery and more.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News

[Welcome Marie-Laure Salles, the new Director of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies](#)

Geneva, 1 September 2020 – The Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies congratulates Professor Marie-Laure Salles on her appointment as the new Director of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), of which we are a joint centre...

Groupe URD [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Publications, Events

Video

["Lessons learnt of the real-time evaluation in Lebanon after the explosion in Beirut"](#) (4

August 2020)

01/09/2020

This work involved an extended field visit in partnership with a firefighter specialised in CBRN (chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear) risks. The evaluation team met with UN agencies, European Delegation staff (DEU and DG ECHO), international and national NGOs, and Lebanese institutions (Ministries of Health, Defence and the Environment, and firefighters), and were able to establish an initial assessment of the response.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://ihsa.info/>

Resources – Weekly Blog Posts Selections

[Migration to Europe, pushbacks and humanitarian consequences](#)

Selection#22 (17th to 30th of August)

This week we feature migration to Europe and the deadly consequences of actions to stop it.

The most obvious are the pushbacks from Greece, Italy, Malta, France and the UK, in response to desperate people crossing the Mediterranean or the Channel to reach safety. The last two weeks' posts reveal drownings, return to countries at war, and unsafe detentions; all in contravention of International Refugee Law. Covid-19 has made conditions worse as social distancing and hygiene

measures are impossible in overcrowded camps and for the many who are forced to sleep rough. Asylum procedures have halted or slowed down. While migration to reach safety in Europe – and the pushbacks – have a long history, the anti-migrant narrative in 2020 has hardened.

These week's posts also highlight how Covid worsens existing vulnerabilities and marginalisation, in countries like Sudan, Peru and India, adding to the drivers of forced migration.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news, events

[Online Clinic on Coordination and Implementation Challenges in Camp Management](#)

9/1/2020

On 9 September, PHAP together with the Global Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster h [...]

Sphere [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News and Blog

[Start Network's Annual Report for 2019 – Message from the Leadership Team](#)

By Christina Bennett, CEO and Suzanne Lyne, CFOO

02 Sep 20

We both joined Start Network in September 2019, drawn by the momentum around its agenda for change, and excited by shaping an ambitious, newly independent humanitarian network. Since joining Start Network, as newcomers to the organisation, we have felt both concern and promise in equal parts...

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Brookings

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

Accessed 5 Sep 2020

Report

[Scaling playful learning: How cities can reimagine public spaces to support children and families](#)

[Helen Shwe Hadani](#) and [Jennifer S. Vey](#)

Friday, September 4, 2020

Report

[Measuring the success of impact bonds](#)

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Report

[What is the size and scope of the impact bonds market?](#)

[Emily Gustafsson-Wright](#)

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Financial Regulation

[The absence of Black financial regulators](#)

[Chris Brummer](#)

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Report

[Reframing Canada's global engagement: Ten strategic choices for decision-makers](#)

[John McArthur](#)

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Center for Global Development [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Publications, News and Events

September 3, 2020

[Digital Technology in Social Assistance Transfers for COVID-19 Relief: Lessons from Selected Cases](#)

Many countries have launched unprecedented relief packages to cushion the economic and social impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. This short review considers some initial lessons emerging from selected countries around the use of digital technology to implement these government-to-people (G2P) social transfer programs.

[Alan Gelb](#) and [Anit Mukherjee](#)

September 2, 2020

[Teacher Labor Markets in Developing Countries](#)

The types of workers recruited into teaching and their allocation across classrooms can greatly influence a country's stock of human capital. This paper considers how markets and non-market institutions determine the quantity, wages, skills, and spatial distribution of teachers in developing countries.

[Lee Crawford](#) and [Todd Pugatch](#)

CSIS [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[Neighbor at Risk: Mexico's Deepening Crisis](#)

September 4, 2020 | [Evan Ellis](#) The performance of the Mexican economy, local conditions, and the effectiveness of its governance thus affects American jobs, investment, security, and lives.

Report

[Toward a More Proliferated World?](#)

September 2, 2020 | [Eric Brewer](#) Nuclear proliferation pressures are increasing at a time when traditional U.S. counterproliferation measures face new challenges. This CSIS/CNAS joint report explores seven geopolitical trends shaping these factors and provides pragmatic recommendations to alter course.

Report

[After Disruption: Historical Perspectives on the Future of International Order](#)

September 2, 2020 | [Seth Center](#), [Emma Bates](#) The pandemic threatens to disrupt world order. What comes next? Looking across four centuries of upheaval, historians offer their insights. History suggests that if America and its allies cannot adapt, others will be waiting to build a new order in their own likeness.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Report

[From Industrial Policy to Innovation Strategy: Lessons from Japan, Europe, and the United States](#)

September 1, 2020 | [Dylan Gerstel](#), [Matthew P. Goodman](#) How can Washington best support national innovation? The Economics Program reviews historical industrial policy in Japan, Europe, and the United States and recommends ten principles and five actions to guide U.S. innovation strategy today.

Report

[Key Governance Issues in Space](#)

September 1, 2020 | [Kaitlyn Johnson](#) The space domain is largely ungoverned and undisciplined. In this new analysis from the CSIS Aerospace Security Project, a few key areas of space governance are explored to understand international perspectives on ongoing debates in the field.

Report

[The Spectrum of Encryption: Safety and Security Considerations](#)

August 31, 2020 | [Lindsey R. Sheppard](#), [Kathleen H. Hicks](#), [Brian Katz](#), [Joseph Federici](#) Encrypted communications are becoming ubiquitous while the global encryption policy landscape is fracturing. Policymakers around the world must adapt their approaches to balance safety, security, and privacy more deftly as national choices have international impact.

ODI [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[Exploring adolescent girls' and boys' capabilities and the role of adolescent empowerment programming in Rwanda](#)

Briefing papers | August 2020 | Sarah Baird, Serafina Buzby, Rebecca Dutton, Roberte Isimbi, Nicola Jones, Laura Le Saux, Ernest Ngabo and Paola Perezniето

This policy brief summarises research about adolescent girls and boys well-being in both rural and urban communities in Rwanda.

'People won't die due to the disease; they will die due to hunger': exploring the impacts of Covid-19 on Rohingya and Bangladeshi adolescents in Cox's Bazar

Briefing papers | August 2020 | Silvia Guglielmi, Jennifer Seager, Khadija Mitu, Sarah Baird and Nicola Jones

This policy brief draws on virtual research and presents policy and programming implications for Rohingya and Bangladeshi adolescents in Cox's Bazar.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 5 Sep 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

RoRI Symposium - Reimagining the Postdoctoral Experience

[Sept 10/11] [CLICK TO REGISTER]

An exciting line up of speakers from across the world explore how the role of postdoctoral researchers is evolving. Join us as we aim to broaden shared awareness of the issues and help build an agenda for the future.

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Urban Institute [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Publications

The CFPB's Proposed QM Rule Will Responsibly Ease Credit Availability

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) is on the verge of revising the qualified mortgage (QM) rule by proposing to move away from a debt-to-income-centric rule to one based on pricing. This change will meaningfully expand access to credit for first-time homebuyers and minorities, while keeping defaults low. At the same time, the proposed price caps for safe harbor and qualified mortgages will prove

[Karan Kaul](#), [Laurie Goodman](#), [Jun Zhu](#)

September 4, 2020

Brief

Pursuing Racial and Ethnic Equity and Inclusion: A Deep-End Reform Brief

Although the number of youth in out-of-home placements has dropped dramatically over the past decade, racial and ethnic disparities in youth incarceration have increased. As a result, the lasting consequences of juvenile justice system involvement disproportionately affect youth of color. Some reform efforts, therefore, emphasize racial and ethnic equity and inclusion (REEI) in addition to reducing general

[Leah Sakala](#)

September 3, 2020

Brief

Advancing Probation Reform: A Deep-End Reform Brief

Probation plays a critical role in the juvenile justice system, but the absence of clear intended outcomes for youth who are justice involved might contribute to the unnecessary use of judicial dispositions to

probation and out-of-home placement, as well as to high rates of recidivism. In this brief, we describe findings from a developmental evaluation of the Annie E. Casey Foundation's expansion of the Juvenile [Sino Esthappan, Janine M. Zweig](#)
September 3, 2020
Brief

[Engaging Youth and Families: A Deep-End Reform Brief](#)

Partnering with youth and families involved in the juvenile justice system can promote positive youth outcomes and help youth avoid further system involvement. In this brief, we describe findings from a developmental evaluation of the Annie E. Casey Foundation's expansion of the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative® to the deep end of the juvenile justice system. Deep-end reform aims to safely [Megan Hague Angus](#)
September 3, 2020
Brief

[Activities to Improve Data Capacity: A Deep-End Reform Brief](#)

Data can motivate and inform the development of juvenile justice reform efforts. Data are also essential for understanding the potential influence of reform activities, learning about what is working well, identifying racial and ethnic disparities, and strengthening policy and practice. In this brief, we describe how jurisdictions involved in a juvenile justice reform effort identified and addressed their data [Johanna Laco](#)
September 3, 2020
Brief

[Keeping Youth Out of the Deep End of the Juvenile Justice System](#)

Funded and supported by the Annie E. Casey Foundation, several communities across the US have undertaken deep-end reform designed to safely and significantly reduce juvenile out-of-home placement, especially for youth of color. From 2013 through 2018, the Foundation funded a developmental evaluation of this reform to better understand what worked well, what could be improved, and lessons for the field. During [Todd Honeycutt, Janine M. Zweig, Megan Hague Angus, Sino Esthappan, Johanna Laco, Leah Sakala, Douglas Young](#)
September 3, 2020
Research Report

[Tips on Developing Surveys of Child Care Providers](#)

Introduction As states and territories make decisions about child care policies, they may find it useful to collect data from child care providers. Survey data can be helpful for answering questions about providers' characteristics and experiences. Yet surveys can be difficult to design. This brief discusses best practices for developing and testing surveys. A one-page tip sheet lists suggestions for writing [Heather Sandstrom, Julia B. Isaacs](#)
September 3, 2020
Brief

[Calibrating a Microsimulation Model of Medicare Policy Reform to Match Administrative Benchmarks for Enrollment and Spending](#)

The Urban Institute's Medicare policy microsimulation model, MCARE-SIM, was designed to estimate the effects of potential policy reforms for Medicare enrollees. Microsimulation models typically combine

multiple data sources to produce a current picture of enrollment, household spending, and government spending under current law. In this methodological brief, we describe the set of available estimates for [Diane Arnos](#), [Bowen Garrett](#), [Anuj Gangopadhyaya](#), [Adele Shartzter](#)
September 2, 2020
Brief

[Aligning Housing and Education: Evidence of Promising Practices and Structural Challenges](#)

This brief presents what we know about housing's effects on education and examines local efforts to improve educational outcomes by ensuring the quality, affordability, or stability of students' housing. It also discusses the structural barriers to housing stability and educational resources by examining the ways in which the education and housing systems are aligned to limit opportunity for people of color [Megan Gallagher](#), [Maya Brennan](#), [Alyse D. Oneto](#), [Mica O'Brien](#)
September 1, 2020
Brief

The Wistar Institute [to 5 Sep 2020]
<https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 5 Sep 2020]
<https://agenda.weforum.org/news/>
Media

[World Economic Forum Appoints New Members to Board of Trustees](#)

News 02 Sep 2020

Rwanda's Minister of Information Communication Technology and Innovation Paula Ingabire and Chief Executive Officer of AXA Thomas Buberl join the group

[Three in Four Adults Globally Say They'd Get a Vaccine for COVID-19 – But Is This Enough?](#)

News 31 Aug 2020

:: A new World Economic Forum/Ipsos global survey of nearly 20'000 adults, 74% say they are willing to get a COVID-19 vaccine, but the 26% shortfall is significant.

:: China stands out for its optimism, 87% of those surveyed expect a vaccine to be ready this year while the majority of the public are not expecting a vaccine to be available before 2021.

:: People who are reluctant to take the vaccine worry about side effects, followed by perception of effectiveness.

:: See more about the survey [here](#).

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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 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 2020]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Release

August 31, 2020

[As overdose deaths spike, the Clinton Foundation distributes more than 155,000 doses of lifesaving naloxone to recovery residences and community organizations across the U.S](#)

Co Impact [to 5 Sep 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.

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://www.fordfoundation.org/press-room/>

The Latest

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest News

[Getty Announces New Post-Baccalaureate Internships In Art Conservation](#)

Pilot program addresses lack of diversity within the field

September 01, 2020

GHIT Fund [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Latest Updates

[Launching our transparency, participation, and accountability strategy refresh](#)

Global Development and Population

By [Pat Scheid](#) and [David Sasaki](#)

September 3, 2020

We're pleased to announce the start of the Hewlett Foundation's transparency, participation, and accountability (TPA) strategy refresh process. Guided by our commitment to [outcome-focused philanthropy](#), we take stock every five or so years of what happened over the previous strategy cycle, what the current landscape looks like—and how it is changing—and to learn, adapt and respond to this new context in a meaningful way. This year, the strategy refresh process is accompanied by a [retrospective of our 23-years of grantmaking in Mexico](#), which has mostly been in pursuit of TPA strategic goals...

[Joseph Asunka to join Afrobarometer as new CEO in 2021](#)

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation is pleased to announce Dr. Joseph Asunka, currently Program Officer with our Global Development Program, will join Afrobarometer, based in Accra, Ghana, in early 2021 as their new chief executive officer. Asunka will lead the pan-African survey research network into its third decade as the go-to data source on...

Global Development and Population September 1, 2020

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Release

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Stories

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Research Sep 3 2020

'Pac-Man' Molecule Offers Clues for Treating Parkinson's Disease

Armed with the first detailed structure of a key enzyme involved in the neurological disorder, researchers begin hunting for drugs that reduce its activity.

Research Aug 31 2020

Mapping the 3-D Geometry of SARS-CoV-2's Genome

The novel coronavirus uses structures within its RNA to infect cells. Scientists have now identified these configurations, generating the most comprehensive atlas to date of SARS-CoV-2's genome.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

September 1, 2020 *News Release*

COVID-19 Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Facilities Were Most Severe in the Early Months of the Pandemic, but Data Show Cases and Deaths in Such Facilities May Be On the Rise Again

The rate of new COVID-19 cases and deaths in long-term care facilities declined markedly in May and June after the novel coronavirus swept through nursing homes in April, but recent data show the incidence may be on the rise again, according to a new KFF analysis. A second new analysis...

Kellogg Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News & Events

Pristine Seas: How We Turned Frustration into Action for the Ocean

September 3, 2020

Perspectives

[The Right Knowledge in the Right Place at the Right Time](#)

September 1, 2020

Perspectives

[Ahlan Simsim Season Two: Behind the Scenes](#)

September 1, 2020

Grantee News

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://mellon.org/>

Mellon News, Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[John Dabiri and Jonathan Levin join the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation board of trustees](#)

Palo Alto, Calif., September 1, 2020 – The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation today announced the election of two new trustees – John Dabiri, Ph.D., Centennial Chair Professor at Caltech and Jonathan Levin, Ph.D., dean of Stanford Graduate School of Business. These appointments build on the appointments of [Hilary Krane](#) and [Ellen Ochoa](#) in 2018 to establish continuity in board service over the coming years.

Over these past two years, the foundation has prepared for the transition of its longest-serving trustees – some of whom have been with the foundation since its early days...

Open Society Foundations [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

News

[Supporting Those Who Put Food On Our Tables: Project Ayuda Brings COVID Relief to Essential Workers in California’s Central Valley](#)

September 1, 2020

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases & Statements

Opinion

September 3, 2020

[Stop the Sale of Bogus Supplements as a Cure or Treatment for COVID-19](#)

Months after the coronavirus first appeared in the United States, COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus, has claimed more than 180,000 American lives. According to the Natural Marketing Institute, vitamin and supplement usage has increased by 28 percent in the U.S. and by 25 percent worldwide since the start of COVID-19. More Americans are seeking products to support their health and wellness.

This growing demand has taxed supply chains and made room for some businesses to exploit the pandemic by marketing products as dietary supplements that illegally claim to prevent, treat, or cure COVID-19.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) — the federal agency that oversees dietary supplements — has no systematic way to track what is being sold under the banner of a dietary supplement. This needs to change so the agency can quickly find and remove these bogus and potentially dangerous products from the market...

Rockefeller Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 5 Sep 2020]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 5 Sep 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 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

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Candid [*formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar*] [to 5 Sep 2020]

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

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 5 Sep 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

September 2020 Volume 48, Issue 9, p975-1132

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

Major Articles

[COVID-19 infection: Strategies on when to discontinue isolation, a retrospective study](#)

Amelita Woodruff, Katherine L Walsh, Dacre Knight, Joan M. Irizarry-Alvarado

p1032–1036

Published online: July 4, 2020

[Hand sanitizers: A review of ingredients, mechanisms of action, modes of delivery, and efficacy against coronaviruses](#)

Andrew P. Golin, Dexter Choi, Aziz Ghahary

p1062–1067

Published online: June 18, 2020

State of the Science Review

[Reducing antibiotic prescribing and addressing the global problem of antibiotic resistance by targeted hygiene in the home and everyday life settings: A position paper](#)

Jean-Yves Maillard, Sally F. Bloomfield, Patrice Courvalin, Sabiha Y. Essack, Sumanth Gandra, Charles P. Gerba, Joseph R. Rubino, Elizabeth A. Scott

p1090–1099

Published online: April 17, 2020

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

September 2020 Volume 59, Issue 3, p309-468

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

Research Articles

[Human Papillomavirus Immunization in Rural Primary Care](#)

Rose Gunn, Laura K. Ferrara, Caitlin Dickinson, Isabel Stock, Jennifer Griffith-Weprin, Amy Wiser, Brigit Hatch, L.J. Fagnan, Patricia A. Carney, Melinda M. Davis

p377–385

Published online: June 27, 2020

[Physicians' Use of Evidence-Based Strategies to Increase Adult Vaccination Uptake](#)

Laura P. Hurley, Megan C. Lindley, Mandy A. Allison, Sean T. O'Leary, Lori A. Crane, Michaela Brtnikova, Brenda L. Beaty, Allison Kempe

e95–e103

Published online: May 21, 2020

American Journal of Public Health

September 2020 110(9)

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

IMMIGRATION

[Immigrants and Access to Care: Public Health Must Lead the Way in Changing the Nation's Narrative](#)

Chronic Disease, Cardiovascular Disease, Immigration, Health Policy, Race/Ethnicity, Hispanics/Latinos, Health Service Delivery, Access to Care

Maia Ingram

PUBLIC SERVICE

[Incentivized Public Service Response to COVID-19 in Rural and Marginalized Urban Communities](#)

Rural Health, Public Health Workers, Health Policy, Community Health, Health Service Delivery

Irene Torres, Daniel F. López-Cevallos and Fernando Sacoto

110(9), pp. 1344–1345

DEMOCRACY

[COVID-19 Emergency Measures Are Hurting Democracy Globally](#)

Global Health, Government, Human Rights, Health Law, Injury/Emergency Care/Violence
Stephen Thomson and Eric C. Ip
110(9), pp. 1356–1357

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 103, Issue 3, September 2020
<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/103/3>

Annals of Internal Medicine

1 September 2020 Volume 173, Issue 5
<http://annals.org/aim/issue>
History of Medicine

[Toward Historical Accountability and Remembrance: The German Society for Internal Medicine and Its Legacies From the Nazi Past](#)

Hans-Georg Hofer, PhD, Ralf Forsbach, PhD, and Ulrich R. Fölsch, MD

This article presents findings of recent research on the history of the German Society for Internal Medicine during the Nazi period, focusing on Jewish members who were persecuted by the Nazis and expelled from the society from 1933 onward.

Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology

Issue 376 - August 2020
<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>
[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 287 October 2020
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/287/suppl/C>
Research article Abstract only

[Designing normative theories for ethical and legal reasoning: LogiKEy framework, methodology, and tool support](#)

Christoph Benz Müller, Xavier Parent, Leendert van der Torre
Article 103348
Abstract

A framework and methodology—termed LogiKEy—for the design and engineering of ethical reasoners, normative theories and deontic logics is presented. The overall motivation is the development of suitable means for the control and governance of intelligent autonomous systems. LogiKEy's unifying formal framework is based on semantical embeddings of deontic logics, logic combinations and ethico-legal domain theories in expressive classic higher-order logic (HOL). This meta-logical approach enables the provision of powerful tool support in LogiKEy: off-the-shelf theorem provers and model finders for HOL are assisting the LogiKEy designer of ethical intelligent agents to flexibly experiment

with underlying logics and their combinations, with ethico-legal domain theories, and with concrete examples—all at the same time. Continuous improvements of these off-the-shelf provers, without further ado, leverage the reasoning performance in LogiKEy. Case studies, in which the LogiKEy framework and methodology has been applied and tested, give evidence that HOL's undecidability often does not hinder efficient experimentation.

Research article Abstract only

[An approach for combining ethical principles with public opinion to guide public policy](#)

Edmond Awad, Michael Anderson, Susan Leigh Anderson, Beishui Liao

Article 103349

Abstract

We propose a framework for incorporating public opinion into policy making in situations where values are in conflict. This framework advocates creating vignettes representing value choices, eliciting the public's opinion on these choices, and using machine learning to extract principles that can serve as succinct statements of the policies implied by these choices and rules to guide the behavior of autonomous systems.

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

September 2020 - Volume 5 - 9

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/5/9>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)

[Individual, institutional, and scientific environment factors associated with questionable research practices in the reporting of messages and conclusions in scientific health services research publications](#)

Health Services Research findings (HSR) reported in scientific publications may become part of the decision-making process on healthcare. This study aimed to explore associations between researcher's individual...

Authors: Reinie G. Gerrits, Joko Mulyanto, Joost D. Wammes, Michael J. van den Berg, Niek S. Klazinga and Dionne S. Kringos

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2020 20:828

Content type: Research article

Published on: 3 September 2020

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)

[The effect of maternal poliovirus antibodies on the immune responses of infants to poliovirus vaccines](#)

Maternal poliovirus antibodies could provide passive immunity to the newborns from poliovirus infection during their first few months of life, but they may impair the immune responses of infants to the poliovirus vaccine as well. In our study, we pooled the data from three clinical trials of the inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV) based on Sabin strains to investigate the effect of maternal poliovirus antibodies on the immune responses of infants to poliovirus vaccines.

Authors: Siyue Jia, Rong Tang, Guifan Li, Yuemei Hu and Qi Liang

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2020 20:641

Content type: Research article

Published on: 31 August 2020

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)

[South Africa's new standard material transfer agreement: proposals for improvement and pointers for implementation](#)

Whenever South African (SA) research institutions share human biological material and associated data for health research or clinical trials they are legally compelled to have a material transfer agreement (MTA) in place that uses as framework the standard MTA newly gazetted by the South African Minister of Health (SA MTA).

Authors: Donrich W. Thaldar, Marietjie Botes and Annelize Nienaber

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2020 21:85

Content type: Debate

Published on: 3 September 2020

[The challenges of ethical behaviors for drug supply in pharmacies in Iran by a principle-based approach](#)

Pharmacists as the trustee of pharmacy services must adhere to ethical principles and evaluate their professionalism. Pharmacists may sometimes show different unethical behaviors in their interactions, so it i...

Authors: Mahla Iranmanesh, Vahid Yazdi-Feyzabadi and Mohammad Hossein Mehrolhassani

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2020 21:84

Content type: Research article

Published on: 1 September 2020

[Ethics parallel research: an approach for \(early\) ethical guidance of biomedical innovation](#)

Our human societies and certainly also (bio) medicine are more and more permeated with technology. There seems to be an increasing awareness among bioethicists that an effective and comprehensive approach to ethically guide these emerging biomedical innovations into society is needed. Such an approach has not been spelled out yet for bioethics, while there are frequent calls for ethical guidance of biomedical innovation, also by biomedical researchers themselves. New and emerging biotechnologies require anticipation of possible effects and implications, meaning the scope is not evaluative after a technology has been fully developed or about hypothetical technologies, but real-time for a real biotechnology.

Authors: Karin R. Jongsma and Annelien L. Bredenoord

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2020 21:81
Content type: Debate
Published on: 1 September 2020

BMC Medicine

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmcd/content>
(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content>
(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

<http://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles>
(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)

[Spatial distribution of incomplete immunization among under-five children in Ethiopia: evidence from 2005, 2011, and 2016 Ethiopian Demographic and health survey data](#)

An estimate of 2–3 million children under 5 die in the world annually due to vaccine-preventable disease. In Ethiopia, incomplete immunization accounts for nearly 16% of under-five mortality, and there is spat...

Authors: Mequanent Sharew Melaku, Araya Mesfin Nigatu and Wondewossen Zemene Mewosha

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:1362

Content type: Research article

Published on: 5 September 2020

BMC Research Notes

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresearchnotes/content>
(Accessed 5 Sep 2020)
[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

August 2020 - Volume 10 – 8-9

<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/10/8?current-issue=y>
[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 98, Number 9, September 2020, 581-644

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/98/9/en/>
EDITORIALS

[Gaps in access to essential medicines and health products for noncommunicable diseases and mental health conditions](#)

— Ren Minghui, Mariangela Simao, Bente Mikkelsen, Dévora Kestel, Andrew Ball & Zsofia Szilagyi
<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.20.272658>

[COVID-19 response measures and violence against children](#)

— Amiya Bhatia, Camilla Fabbri, Ilan Cerna-Turoff, Clare Tanton, Louise Knight, Ellen Turner, Michelle Lokot, Shelley Lees, Ben Cislighi, Amber Peterman, Alessandra Guedes & Karen Devries
<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.20.263467>

PERSPECTIVES

[Accelerating access to medicines in a changing world](#)

— Hannah Kettler, Susanna Lehtimaki & Nina Schwalbe
<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.19.249664>

RESEARCH

[Users of rehabilitation services in 14 countries and territories affected by conflict, 1988–2018](#)

— Cornelia A Barth, Andreas Wladis, Catherine Blake, Prashant Bhandarkar & Cliona O'Sullivan
<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.19.249060>

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Volume 46, Issue 5 Pages: 537-649 September 2020
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[The intergenerational impact of war on mental health and psychosocial wellbeing: lessons from the longitudinal study of war-affected youth in Sierra Leone](#)

Authors: Theresa S. Betancourt, Katrina Keegan, Jordan Farrar and Robert T. Brennan

Content type: Research in practice

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Volume 95 August 2020

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Volume 3, Issue 4 / August 2020

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Sarah Rogers, Jie Li, Kevin Lo, Hua Guo, Cong Li

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Volume 15, Issue 6, 2020

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[Yensi Flores Bueso, Mark Tangney](#)

Synthetic biology has the potential to seed research in impoverished countries. Teaching students and academics has to take into account reality – lessons from Honduras.

Science & Society 1 September 2020

[The second coming : The comeback of the live vaccines](#)

[Anthony King](#)

Live vaccines are gradually replaced by protein-based vaccines given the latter's better safety. But live vaccines seem to be more efficient via stimulation of the innate immune system.

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Volume 26, Number 9—September 2020

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Volume 32 September 2020

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Volume 42, Issue 4 Pages: 1-40 July–August 2020

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Summer 2020 (34.2) July 2020

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Volume 30, Issue 4, August 2020

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Volume 95 August 2020

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Menale Kassie, Monica Fisher, Geoffrey Muricho, Gracious Diiro

Article 101957

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Supermarket contracts and smallholder farmers: Implications for income and multidimensional poverty

Sylvester Ochieng Ogutu, Dennis O. Ochieng, Matin Qaim
Article 101940

Research article Open access

Stimulating smallholder dairy market and livestock feed improvements through local innovation platforms in the Himalayan foothills of India

Thanammal Ravichandran, Nils Teufel, Filippo Capezzone, Regina Birner, Alan J. Duncan
Article 101949

Food Security

Volume 12, Issue 4, August 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/12/4>

Worldwide disruptions of food systems and the search of enduring food security amidst Covid-19

Most of the articles in this Special Issue are short, Opinion articles. There are however two research papers, and the Special Issue starts with a large Opinion-Overview prepared by the Editorial Board of Food Security.

Contributions from many institutions have reached us to form this special issue:

:: from numerous Universities from the global North and South (Pennsylvania State University, University of Pretoria, Leibniz University in Hannover, McGill University, Montana State University, Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanyang Technological University Singapore, National University of Singapore, Sheffield Hallam University, Zhejiang University, Lappeenranta University of Technology, University of Sydney, and Wageningen University;

:: from many Institutes (CIAT, CIMMYT, CIP, GIGA-Germany, ICRISAT, IDS, IFPRI, INRAE, and the World Vegetable Center), and, beyond the academia,

:: from International Organisations (WHO);

:: NGOs and Foundations: the M S Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai, India; Oxfam; and Seed System.

These contributions may be broadly distributed in four groups: the impacts of the ongoing pandemic on food security, the resilience mechanisms to such crises, the development of resilient food systems, and the policies to be considered.

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 643 June 2020

<https://www.fmreview.org/issue64>

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 2

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

Issue Theme: Challenges in an era of new North-South divides. Research in the time of Covid-19

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Volume 12, Issue 3, September 2020

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Global Health Action

Volume 12, 2019 Issue 1

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Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

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Global Public Health

Volume 15, 2020 Issue 9

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Globalization and Health

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

Articles

[Educating, training, and exercising for infectious disease control with emphasis on cross-border settings: an integrative review](#)

Points of entry and other border regions educate, train, and exercise (ETEs) their staff to improve preparedness and response to cross-border health threats. However, no conclusive knowledge of these ETEs' eff...

Authors: Doret de Rooij, Evelien Belfroid, Christos Hadjichristodoulou, Varvara A. Mouchtouri, Jörg Raab and Aura Timen

Citation: Globalization and Health 2020 16:78

Content type: Review

Published on: 3 September 2020

Health Affairs

Vol. 39, No. 7 July 2020

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

Food, Income, Work & More

[Reviewed earlier]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 22, Issue 1, June 2020

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-22-issue-1-june-2020/>

Special Section: Mental Health and Human Rights

Recent Viewpoints

[Human Rights Must Be Central to the International Health Regulations](#)

Benjamin Mason Meier, Hanna E. Huffstetler, and Roojin Habibi,

26 August 2020

... As the IHR are revised anew to meet future global health threats, this Viewpoint examines the continuing importance of human rights in infectious disease control, balancing public health necessities and individual rights protections and reinforcing the connections between global health law and human rights law.

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 15 - Issue 3 - July 2020

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

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Health Policy and Planning

Volume 35, Issue 6, July 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/35/6>

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Health Research Policy and Systems

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

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[Capacity for health economics research and practice in Jordan, Lebanon, the occupied Palestinian territories and Turkey: needs assessment and options for development](#)

Authors: Adrian Gheorghe, Mohamed Gad, Sharif A. Ismail and Kalipso Chalkidou

Content type: Research

3 September 2020

Human Gene Therapy

Volume 31, Issue 15-16 / August 2020

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Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 42, Number 3, August 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/42690>

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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.

Infectious Agents and Cancer

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

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Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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

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International Health

Volume 12, Issue 5, September 2020

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International Human Rights Law Review

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

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The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 28 (2020): Issue 3 (Aug 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/28/3/chil.28.issue-3.xml>

Special Issue: Article 5 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child: Families, Guidance and Evolving Capacities

[Assessing Children's Capacity](#)

Reconceptualising our Understanding through the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

By: [Aoife Daly](#)

Pages: 471–499

Publication Date: 24 Aug 2020

[Article 5: The Role of Parents in the Proxy Informed Consent Process in Medical Research involving Children](#)

By: [Sheila Varadan](#)

Pages: 521–546

Publication Date: 24 Aug 2020

Abstract

Medical research involving child subjects has led to advances in medicine that have dramatically improved the lives, health and well-being of children. Yet, determining when and under what

conditions a child should be enrolled in medical research remains an ethically vexing question in research ethics. At the crux of the issue is the free and informed consent of the child participant. A child, who is presumed legally incompetent, or lacks sufficient understanding to exercise autonomous decision-making, will not be able to express free and informed consent in the research setting. Rather than exclude all such children from medical research, a parent (or legal guardian) is designated as a proxy to consent on the child's behalf. However, the concept of proxy informed consent and the framework for its implementation present practical and ethical challenges for researchers, particularly in navigating the relationship between proxy decision-makers and child subjects in the medical research setting. Article 5 of the unrcr may offer guidance on this point: (1) it places boundaries around how parental authority should be exercised; (2) it offers a model for parent-child decision-making that is participatory, collaborative and linked to the child's enjoyment of rights under the unrcr; (3) it respects and supports the autonomy of child participants by recognising their evolving capacities to give informed consent. This paper concludes that greater consideration should be given to Article 5 as a complementary framework for researchers engaged in medical research involving children.

Children's Capacities and Role in Matters of Great Significance for Them

An Analysis of the Norwegian County Boards' Decision-making in Cases about Adoption from Care

By: Amy McEwan-Strand and Marit Skivenes

Pages: 632–665

Publication Date: 24 Aug 2020

...Young children do not have their capacity assessed, and older children's capacity undergoes a shallow assessment at best, and typically only their opinion is mentioned. Age is commonly used as a proxy for competency and maturity, and the role children's opinion plays in the cases as well as in the decision-making is unclear overall. Possible explanations for this situation may be lack of guidelines for how to give children agency, that decision-makers do not have sufficient competency in assessing children's capabilities, and/or that decision-makers are not aware of their obligations or are not willing to give children agency.

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 7, No 7 (2020) July 2020

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/64>

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 46 June 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/46/suppl/C>

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International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 49, Issue 3, June 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/49/3>

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International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 26, Issue 9, 2020

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

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International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 13 Issue 3 2020

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/13/iss/3>

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August 2020 Volume 97, p1-404

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(20\)X0009-9](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(20)X0009-9)

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International Migration Review

Volume 54 Issue 3, September 2020

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

Political Integration, Legal Status, and Immigrant Belonging in the United States

[Legacies of Marginalization: System Avoidance among the Adult Children of Unauthorized Immigrants in the United States](#)

Sarah Desai, Jessica Houston Su, Robert M. Adelman

First Published December 11, 2019; pp. 707–739

Migration Management, Governance, and Migrant Reception in Comparative Context

[The Migration State in the Global South: Nationalizing, Developmental, and Neoliberal Models of Migration Management](#)

Fiona B. Adamson, Gerasimos Tsourapas

First Published October 24, 2019; pp. 853–882

[Decoupling and Teaming up: The Rise and Proliferation of Transnational Municipal Networks in the Field of Migration](#)

Barbara Oomen

First Published November 4, 2019; pp. 913–939

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

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

<http://www.interventionjournal.org/currentissue.asp?sabs=n>

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JAMA Network

[COVID-19 Update September 5, 2020](#)

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

JAMA

September 1, 2020, Vol 324, No. 9, Pages 823-908
<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

Viewpoint

[Reopening K-12 Schools During the COVID-19 PandemicA Report From the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine](#)

Kenne A. Dibner, PhD; Heidi A. Schweingruber, PhD; Dimitri A. Christakis, MD, MPH
free access

JAMA. 2020;324(9):833-834. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.14745

This Viewpoint summarizes recommendations made in a National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine report about how to safely reopen and operate elementary and secondary schools for the 2020-2021 school year, which emphasizes the need for partnerships with public health officials and community leaders, and for transparent communication of risks and rewards that will result from every policy decision.

Editorial

[COVID-19 and School Closures](#)

Julie M. Donohue, PhD; Elizabeth Miller, MD, PhD

Viewpoint

[Universal Masking in the United StatesThe Role of Mandates, Health Education, and the CDC](#)

Lawrence O. Gostin, JD; I. Glenn Cohen, JD; Jeffrey P. Koplan, MD, MPH
free access has active quiz

JAMA. 2020;324(9):837-838. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.15271

This Viewpoint proposes legal and policy options for promoting universal face mask wearing in the US and, recognizing the limits of state-by-state implementation, proposes strengthening the authority, independence, and funding of the CDC to enact responses to this and future comparable public health emergencies.

Editorial

[Universal Masking to Prevent SARS-CoV-2 Transmission—The Time Is Now](#)

John T. Brooks, MD; Jay C. Butler, MD; Robert R. Redfield, MD

JAMA Pediatrics

August 2020, Vol 174, No. 8, Pages 741-812
<http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx>
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JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

August 2020 - Volume 18 - Issue 8
<https://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx>
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Journal of Adolescent Health

August 2020 Volume 67, Issue 2, p145-308

[https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X\(20\)X0007-3](https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(20)X0007-3)

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Vol. 68 (2020)

<https://www.jair.org/index.php/jair>

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Journal of Community Health

Volume 45, Issue 4, August 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/45/4>

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Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 44 Pages 1-324 (July–August 2020)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/44/suppl/C>

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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 146 September 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/146/suppl/C>

Special Section on Child Development in India

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Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 15 Issue 3, July 2020

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

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Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

August 2020 - Volume 74 - 8

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/74/8>

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Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 13, Issue 3 Pages: 179-249 August 2020

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

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Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 16, Issue 1, 2020

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

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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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Journal of Human Trafficking

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>

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Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 22, Issue 4, August 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/22/4>

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Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies

Volume 18, 2020_ Issue 3

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>

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Journal of Infectious Diseases

Volume 222, Issue 3, 1 August 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/222/3>

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Journal of International Development

Volume 32, Issue 6 Pages: 831-1006 August 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Medical Ethics

September 2020 - Volume 46 - 9

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

Covid 19 Current Controversies

[**Consent in the time of COVID-19**](#) (10 June, 2020)

Helen Lynne Turnham, Michael Dunn, Elaine Hill, Guy T Thornburn, Dominic Wilkinson

[**Controlled human infection with SARS-CoV-2 to study COVID-19 vaccines and treatments: bioethics in Utopia**](#) (2 July, 2020)

Søren Holm

[**Hydroxychloroquine and COVID-19: critiquing the impact of disease public profile on policy and clinical decision-making**](#) (9 July, 2020)

Yves S J Aquino, Nicolo Cabrera

[**When patients refuse COVID-19 testing, quarantine, and social distancing in inpatient psychiatry: clinical and ethical challenges**](#) (10 July, 2020)

Mark J Russ, Dominic Sisti, Philip J Wilner

Extended essays

[**Human infection challenge studies in endemic settings and/or low-income and middle-income countries: key points of ethical consensus and controversy**](#) (7 May, 2020)

Euzebiusz Jamrozik, Michael J Selgelid

[**The Cohen problem of informed consent**](#) (27 March, 2020)

William Simkulet

Journal of Operations Management

Volume 66, Issue 5 Pages: 489-612 July 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/18731317/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 7, Issue 3 (2020)

<https://digitalrepository.aurorahealthcare.org/jpcrr/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Pediatrics

August 2020 Volume 223, p1-236

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Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice

<https://joppp.biomedcentral.com/>

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Journal of Public Health Management & Practice

September/October 2020 - Volume 26 - Issue 5

<https://journals.lww.com/jphmp/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

Research Reports

[Factors Affecting Implementation of Evidence-Based Practices in Public Health Preparedness and Response](#)

Kennedy, Mallory; Carbone, Eric G.; Siegfried, Alexa L.; More

Journal of Public Health Management and Practice. 26(5):434-442, September/October 2020.

Journal of Public Health Policy

Volume 41, Issue 3, September 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/41/3>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Refugee & Global Health

Volume 2, Issue 2 (2019)

<https://ir.library.louisville.edu/rgh/>

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Journal of the Royal Society – Interface

September 2020 Volume 17 Issue 170

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rsif/current>

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Journal of Travel Medicine

Volume 27, Issue 5, July 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/27/5>

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The Lancet

Sep 05, 2020 Volume 396 Number 10252 p649-734, e22-e24

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

Articles

[Health sector spending and spending on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, and development assistance for health: progress towards Sustainable Development Goal 3](#)

Global Burden of Disease Health Financing Collaborator Network

Open Access

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Comment

[COVID-19 vaccines: early success and remaining challenges](#)

Naor Bar-Zeev,

Tom Inglesby

...The two studies by Logunov and colleagues have several strengths. First, adenoviruses are ubiquitous, so humans might not be immunologically naive. Previous immunity to the vector might interfere with adenovirus-vectored COVID-19 vaccine efficacy. Indeed, findings of an adenovirus type 5-vectored COVID-19 vaccine trial suggested such immunity could affect COVID-19 responses.² In another study, a chimpanzee adenovirus vector was used, since humans will presumably be naive to at least the first dose.³ Logunov and colleagues used immunologically distinct (heterologous) vectors in their two-dose (prime-boost) regimen. They investigated cross-vector heterologous immunity and previous antivector adenovirus immunity, and neither affected COVID-19 immunogenicity.

A second strength is the threshold for neutralisation used in the two studies. Neutralisation assays vary from study to study. Neutralisation is tested by examining whether plasma from a recently vaccinated individual can prevent cellular damage on in-vitro exposure of cells to SARS-CoV-2. Both the degree of such protection (how many damaged cells are allowed) and the dose of the infecting virus vary across studies. Expecting a vaccine to result in less than complete neutralisation is not inherently wrong but sets the bar low and makes it easier to claim neutralising activity. In Logunov and colleagues' studies, however, the threshold for neutralisation was set high in two regards: the inoculating viral dose was large, and no arising cellular damage was allowable. Essentially, the assay was set at full neutralisation. This high bar implies these researchers took an a-priori risk that their vaccine might fail the test. It did not. It remains to be seen if other manufacturers will set a similar high standard.

A third strength is that the vaccine, similar to other adenovirus-vectored and mRNA COVID-19 vaccines before it,^{2 3, 4} induced broad immune responses. Although not specifically discussed, the results imply a T-helper-1-cell-weighted response that might be important for vaccine safety, potentially reducing the risk of antibody-dependent enhanced disease.⁵

A fourth strength was development of two vaccine formulations, frozen and lyophilised. A lyophilised formulation could mean stability within the existing global vaccine refrigerated cold chain that is needed to maintain vaccine efficacy from factory to recipient, a hurdle other vaccines are yet to address. Although more costly to produce at scale, product stability will maximise reach in remote terrain, a must if universal and equitable coverage is to be achieved.

Some limitations of the studies by Logunov and colleagues are notable. In the study of the frozen vaccine formulation, the population included young military personnel. Soldiers are likely to be fitter and healthier than the general population. Moreover, in older adults, immune senescence might make

vaccines less immunogenic, and this age group was absent from this study. Sex imbalance occurred in the study arms because there was no random allocation. A control arm was conspicuously absent. Two participants were of Asian descent, with the rest of the participants of white European ethnic origin. Clearly, much more remains to be learned from the phase 3 randomised trial planned to include 40 000 civilian volunteers and, hopefully, broadly inclusive of groups at risk...

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Articles*

[Safety and immunogenicity of an rAd26 and rAd5 vector-based heterologous prime-boost COVID-19 vaccine in two formulations: two open, non-randomised phase 1/2 studies from Russia](#)

Denis Y Logunov, et al

Summary

Background

We developed a heterologous COVID-19 vaccine consisting of two components, a recombinant adenovirus type 26 (rAd26) vector and a recombinant adenovirus type 5 (rAd5) vector, both carrying the gene for severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) spike glycoprotein (rAd26-S and rAd5-S). We aimed to assess the safety and immunogenicity of two formulations (frozen and lyophilised) of this vaccine.

Methods

We did two open, non-randomised phase 1/2 studies at two hospitals in Russia. We enrolled healthy adult volunteers (men and women) aged 18–60 years to both studies. In phase 1 of each study, we administered intramuscularly on day 0 either one dose of rAd26-S or one dose of rAd5-S and assessed the safety of the two components for 28 days. In phase 2 of the study, which began no earlier than 5 days after phase 1 vaccination, we administered intramuscularly a prime-boost vaccination, with rAd26-S given on day 0 and rAd5-S on day 21. Primary outcome measures were antigen-specific humoral immunity (SARS-CoV-2-specific antibodies measured by ELISA on days 0, 14, 21, 28, and 42) and safety (number of participants with adverse events monitored throughout the study). Secondary outcome measures were antigen-specific cellular immunity (T-cell responses and interferon- γ concentration) and change in neutralising antibodies (detected with a SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assay). These trials are registered with [ClinicalTrials.gov](#), [NCT04436471](#) and [NCT04437875](#).

Findings

Between June 18 and Aug 3, 2020, we enrolled 76 participants to the two studies (38 in each study). In each study, nine volunteers received rAd26-S in phase 1, nine received rAd5-S in phase 1, and 20 received rAd26-S and rAd5-S in phase 2. Both vaccine formulations were safe and well tolerated. The most common adverse events were pain at injection site (44 [58%]), hyperthermia (38 [50%]), headache (32 [42%]), asthenia (21 [28%]), and muscle and joint pain (18 [24%]). Most adverse events were mild and no serious adverse events were detected. All participants produced antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 glycoprotein. At day 42, receptor binding domain-specific IgG titres were 14 703 with the frozen formulation and 11 143 with the lyophilised formulation, and neutralising antibodies were 49·25 with the frozen formulation and 45·95 with the lyophilised formulation, with a seroconversion rate of 100%. Cell-mediated responses were detected in all participants at day 28, with median cell proliferation of 2·5% CD4+ and 1·3% CD8+ with the frozen formulation, and a median cell proliferation of 1·3% CD4+ and 1·1% CD8+ with the lyophilised formulation.

Interpretation

The heterologous rAd26 and rAd5 vector-based COVID-19 vaccine has a good safety profile and induced strong humoral and cellular immune responses in participants. Further investigation is needed of the effectiveness of this vaccine for prevention of COVID-19.

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Focus on COVID-19 and digital privacy

The COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated the acceleration of the development of digital technologies to monitor the spread of the outbreak. Emergency powers are being used to track not just individuals' health data, but other personal information. The image shows the data that are being monitored on people's cell phones, and the effects on healthcare are discussed in this focus issue on COVID-19 and digital privacy.

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[Public Health Decision Making during Covid-19 — Fulfilling the CDC Pledge to the American People](#)

Sonja A. Rasmussen, M.D., and Denise J. Jamieson, M.D., M.P.H.

[The Tragedy of Measles](#)

Perri Klass, M.D.

Although measles has always had serious complications, it was not necessarily treated seriously in popular culture, even before the MMR vaccine became available. But there is a harrowing measles tragedy from one of America's great tragedians, Eugene O'Neill.

[Accelerating Development of SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines — The Role for Controlled Human Infection Models](#)

Meagan E. Deming, M.D., Ph.D., Nelson L. Michael, M.D., Ph.D., Merlin Robb, M.D., Myron S. Cohen, M.D., and Kathleen M. Neuzil, M.D., M.P.H.

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Gambling: An emerging public health challenge

Edited by Sian Griffiths, Heather Wardle, Gerda Reith

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Special Issue - Democracy in the Balance

Introduction to special issue

[In flux and under threat](#)

By Tage Rai, Brad Wible

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1174-1175

Around the world, democracy is losing ground. Polarization and disinformation have rendered liberals and conservatives unable to agree on basic facts. State violence and suppression of citizens' rights are resurgent. Free and fair elections are being threatened.

In this special issue, we critically examine the state of democracy and how it must adapt to achieve its ideals in the 21st century. We need to meet the challenges and opportunities of living in increasingly multiethnic societies, of fostering democracy in a weakened international environment, of reducing inequality and elevating the political representation of the poor, and of organizing social movements and combating disinformation tactics in the digital age. Advances in technology are making it easier to distort true voter representation through gerrymandering, and political campaigns continue to struggle with reaching voters and persuading them to participate. Worryingly, state violence, which has always been a core feature of the democratic experience for some, is spreading in democratic societies.

Twenty years ago, it seemed inevitable that democracy would reach every corner of the globe. In this moment, we are reminded that we must fight for democracy and work to improve it. A scientific understanding of the social and behavioral phenomena that underlie its operation will help us enhance democracy and, by doing so, improve human lives and societies globally.

Policy Forum

[Racial authoritarianism in U.S. democracy](#)

By Vesla M. Weaver, Gwen Prowse

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1176-1178

One segment of the population experiences different rules and differential citizenship.

[Human-centered redistricting automation in the age of AI](#)

By Wendy K. Tam Cho, Bruce E. Cain

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1179-1181

Human-machine collaboration and transparency are key

Perspective

[Campaigns influence election outcomes less than you think](#)

By David W. Nickerson, Todd Rogers

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1181-1182

Campaigns have small effects but are built to win close races

Reviews

[Diversity and prosocial behavior](#)

By Delia Baldassarri, Maria Abascal

Science04 Sep 2020 : 1183-1187

[Can democracy work for the poor?](#)

By Rohini Pande

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[Democracy's backsliding in the international environment](#)

By Susan D. Hyde

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[False equivalencies: Online activism from left to right](#)

By Deen Freelon, Alice Marwick, Daniel Kreiss

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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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Volume 21 Issue 5, December 2020

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[Ieke De Vries, Kelly E. Goggin](#)

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[Blaine Menon](#), [Hanni Stoklosa](#), [Kaylee Van Dommelen](#), [Adam Awerbuch](#), [Luke Caddell](#), [Ken Roberts](#), [Jonell Potter](#)

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[Key Game-Changers in Viet Nam’s Successful COVID-19 Response](#)

Kamal Malhotra

Viet Nam’s successful management of the COVID-19 outbreak so far can be at least partly attributed to the country’s investment during “peacetime”—the period prior to the pandemic. The country has now demonstrated that preparedness to deal with infectious disease is a key ingredient for protecting people and securing public health in times of pandemics such as COVID-19.

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Volume 15, Issue 2, 2020

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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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