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

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:: Week in Review

A highly selective capture of strategic developments, research, commentary, analysis and announcements spanning Human Rights Action, Humanitarian Response, Health, Education, Holistic Development, Heritage Stewardship, Sustainable Resilience. Achieving a balance across these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard. This is not intended to be a "news and events" digest.

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Governance – Democracies and Authoritarianism

[How to Keep the Lights On in Democracies: An Open Letter of Concern by Scholars of Authoritarianism](#)

October 31, 2020

Editorial Board

The [#NewFascismSyllabus](#) is a crowd-sourced collection of writings on the history of fascist, authoritarian, and populist movements and governments during the 20th and 21st centuries.

Regardless of the outcome of the United States' election, democracy as we know it is already imperiled. However, it is not too late to turn the tide.

Whether Donald J. Trump is a fascist, a post-fascist populist, an autocrat, or just a bumbling opportunist, the danger to democracy did not arrive with his presidency and goes well beyond November 3rd, 2020.

While democracy appeared to be flourishing everywhere in the years following the end of the Cold War, today it seems to be withering or in full-scale collapse globally. As scholars of twentieth century authoritarian populism, fascism, and political extremism, we believe that unless we take immediate action, democracy as we know it will continue in its frightening regression, irrespective of who wins the American presidency in early November.

In contrast to the hollow proclamations of economic and political liberalism's "inevitable" triumph over authoritarianism in all its iterations, studying the past demonstrates that democracy is extremely fragile and potentially temporary, requiring vigilance and protection. Scholars of race, colonialism, and imperialism have further deepened our perspectives by reminding us of how the myths of national "greatness" were and continue to be written on the backs of largely silenced, marginalized and oftentimes enslaved or unfree, "others."

We study the conditions that have historically accompanied the rise of authoritarian and fascistic regimes. In nearly every case, we have observed how profound social, political, and economic disruptions, including the ravages of military conflicts, depressions, and the enormous pressures caused by globalization, deeply shook people's confidence in democracy's ability to adequately respond to their plights, or even provide basic forms of long-term security.

We have seen all of these patterns in our study of the past, and we recognize the signs of a crisis of democracy in today's world as well. The Covid-19 pandemic has exposed profound inequalities of class

and race across the globe. As the last four years have demonstrated, the temptation to take refuge in a figure of arrogant strength is now greater than ever.

To meet the challenge at hand, there are several things we must do.

We must boldly and unapologetically safeguard critical thinking based on evidence. This includes demonstrating the virtues of entertaining a wide array of positions and perspectives, and support, both in word and deed, for investigative journalism, science and the humanities, and freedom of the press.

We need swift and tangible commitments from corporate media organizations and governments to tackle the dangers of misinformation and media concentration. We must encourage coalitions organized across differences of race, class, gender, religion and caste, while respecting the perspectives and experiences of others.

We need to reveal and denounce any and all connections between those in power and those vigilante and militia forces using political violence to destabilize our democracies. Much like the active democratic movements across the globe from Nigeria to India, Belarus to Hong Kong, we must be prepared to defend pluralism and democracy against the growing dangers of communal violence and authoritarianism at the ballot box but, if necessary, also through non-violent protest in the streets.

We must defend the integrity of the electoral process and ensure the widest possible voter turnouts, not just in this election but in every election large and small in all of our hometowns.

And we must re-commit to a global conversation on support for democratic institutions, laws, and practices both within and between our respective countries. This includes directly confronting the unfettered greed that drives global inequality, which has unleashed geopolitical rivalries over access to resources, international migrations, and collapsed state sovereignties all over the world.

We need to turn away from the rule by entrenched elites and return to the rule of law. We must replace the politics of "internal enemies" with a politics of adversaries in a healthy, democratic marketplace of ideas. And above else, we need to work together to find ways to keep the light of democracy shining in our countries and all over the world. Because if we don't, we will indeed face dark days ahead.

Signatories list at title link above.

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Governance, Human Rights, Justice

[General Assembly, Adopting Draft Upholding International Criminal Court's Goal to End Impunity, Calls for Cooperation in Arresting Fugitives](#)

General Assembly, Plenary Seventy-fifth Session, 18th & 19th Meetings (AM & PM)
GA/12280 2 November 2020

The General Assembly, acting without a vote, adopted a resolution today that acknowledges the role of the International Criminal Court in ending impunity and promoting human rights, and calls upon States to cooperate with the tribunal regarding the arrest of fugitive defendants.

By the terms of the resolution "Report of the International Criminal Court", the Assembly welcomed the 123 States that have become parties to the Rome Statute, the 1998 treaty that created it, and called upon all States that have not done so to consider doing so without delay. The world body further called upon all States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the Court, while also emphasizing the importance of cooperation between the Court and States that are not parties to the Rome Statute.

It also looked forward to the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute at Headquarters from 7 to 17 December, which will elect a new Prosecutor and six new judges to the Court, which is based in The Hague...

...Following adoption, several delegations disassociated themselves from consensus, included the United States. Some delegates, including those from Belgium and the State of Palestine, pointed at the United States decision to impose sanctions on the Prosecutor, Fatou Bensouda, and another senior official, and urged all nations to respect the Court's independence.

The President of the Court, Chile Eboe-Osuji, in a pre-recorded statement at the start of the meeting, highlighted achievements and challenges, including threats by powerful global actors that rail against its existence and threaten to destroy it. Such attacks show that the Court is making a difference and cannot be ignored by those with a geopolitical interest in leaving innocent victims at the mercy of heinous crimes, he said, as he introduced its annual report (documents [A/75/324](#) and [A/75/324/Corr.1](#)). Acknowledging that the Court, like humanity, is not perfect, he urged those States not party to the Rome Statute to reconsider their objections. He added that the findings of an Independent Expert Review into strengthening the Court, will spur reforms while also consolidating its values...

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[Growing Docket of International Court of Justice Signals Rising Confidence in Its Legitimacy, Say Delegates, as General Assembly Concludes Debate](#)

3 November 2020 GA/12281

The General Assembly concluded its debate on the report of the International Court of Justice today, with speakers describing the growing docket of the principal United Nations judicial organ as a sign of rising confidence among Member States in the authority and legitimacy of its judgements and advisory opinions.

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Health, Human Rights

[Removing Human Rights Barriers to Health: Findings and Lessons](#)

Global Fund 04 November 2020

Programs to remove human rights barriers to HIV, TB and malaria services are essential to increasing the effectiveness of Global Fund grants. Such programs help to ensure health services reach those most affected by the three diseases. The Global Fund Strategy 2017-2022 recognizes and reaffirms this through its human rights objective.

Breaking Down Barriers initiative

As part of attaining this objective, the Global Fund's Breaking Down Barriers initiative aims to dramatically scale up programs to remove these obstacles. The Global Fund has now published a summary of key findings of the baseline assessments undertaken as part of the initiative:

Breaking Down Barriers Initiative: Summary of Key Findings of the Baseline Assessments in 20 Countries [download in [English](#)]

Global Fund – Breaking Down Barriers Initiative :: Summary of Key Findings of the Baseline Assessments in 20 Countries

8 JUNE 2020 :: 14 pages GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

Acknowledgement: With regard to the research and writing of this report, the Global Fund would like to acknowledge the work of Dr. Joanne Csete of the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University.

4. Findings of the Baseline Assessments

Cross-cutting findings

- 4.1 Barriers to health services are many and severe.
- 4.2 There is high intersectionality of barriers to health services.
- 4.3 Programs to address human rights-related barriers exist but are small, inadequately supported, not coordinated and not evaluated.
- 4.4 Programs to remove human rights-related barriers to services are not sufficiently integrated into or linked to the prevention, treatment and key population programming they are meant to support.
- 4.5 Capacity of and support for key population-led organizations is insufficient.
- 4.6 There is need for adequate support to and roll out of increased monitoring and evaluation efforts.
- 4.7 Costs for comprehensive programs are not being met.
- 4.8 The range of donors available to support programs is limited.

5. Findings Related to Particular Program Areas

- 5.1 One-off activities are inadequate to lead to sustained change or to create local cadres of expertise.
- 5.2 There is lack of sufficient attention to barriers in prisons and other closed settings.
- 5.3 Members of key populations do not have sufficient access to justice.
- 5.4 Gender inequality and gender-based violence that lead to vulnerability to HIV, TB and malaria are not being sufficiently addressed.
- 5.5 There is insufficient attention to and understanding of human rights-related barriers to TB services.
- 5.6 The understanding of human rights-related barriers to malaria services is in its earliest phase.

7. Conclusion

The baseline assessments in the 20 countries of the Breaking Down Barriers initiative are an important source of new and practical programmatic information on human rights-related barriers to HIV, TB and malaria services; the populations affected by them; recent or current programs to address these barriers; and ways in which all 20 countries could realistically consider mounting a comprehensive response to reduce these barriers. In most countries, the baseline assessments informed the development of proposals for the catalytic human rights funding that is part of the initiative. In all countries, the baseline results have helped to shape subsequent discussions among all stakeholders of

strategies and actions for developing a scaled-up, comprehensive response to human rights-related barriers to health services.

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Migration – Africa

[IOM Launches Continental Strategy for Africa 2020-2024](#)

2020-11-03 20:55 International Organization for Migration

Geneva – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) has launched its Continental Strategy for Africa 2020-2024 in a virtual event live-streamed and attended by representatives from the African Union Commission (AUC), the regional economic communities (RECs), and other key partners.

Intra-African migration remains a dominant trend in contemporary African migration. The Strategy frames the Organization’s new orientation with Africa at policy and strategic levels. It is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) to which almost all African countries adhere, as well as the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development, the IOM strategic vision, and IOM Migration Governance Framework (MIGoF)...

The Strategy lays the foundations for renewed and strengthened cooperation with the AUC, AU RECs, and African Union Member States as well as the UN system, among other key stakeholders, for better governance of African migration to foster inclusive and sustainable development in Africa.

It also underlines the needs and priorities of African countries, corresponding to the AU Agenda 2063 and other relevant international and regional instruments. **Over the coming five years, key areas of trends and drivers will include climate change and environmental degradation, demographic and urbanization trends, the increasing feminization of migration, growing internal migration, and continued humanitarian and development challenges.**

IOM’s partnerships with AUC, RECs and Member States will help strengthen the role of migration in the development of African countries, address its challenges, and promote the positive aspects of migration through effective governance frameworks. It will also strengthen migration governance and management through innovative and dynamic approaches connected to African realities and values systems.

Concerted and coordinated actions are needed in a spirit of shared responsibility among States and other national and international stakeholders to maximize the gains of migration and address its challenges, **including the negative impact of COVID-19 on migration and border management systems, and on the protection of migrants.**

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Featured Journal Content – Human Rights

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 9 (2020): Issue 2 (Oct 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/9/2/hrlr.9.issue-2.xml>

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[Connecting the Right of Collective Legal Capacity by Indigenous Peoples with the Right of Individual Legal Capacity by Persons with Disabilities](#)

By: [Matthew S Smith](#) and [Michael Ashley Stein](#)

Pages: 147–183

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

This Article explores the juridical implications of indigenous peoples' right to legal capacity in the Inter-American system for cases involving the same right of persons with disabilities within that system and beyond. It explicates the Inter-American Court of Human Rights' (IACtHR) three-factor test in *Saramaka People v Suriname* and analogizes its reasoning with rationales underpinning the right to legal capacity under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (crpd). It then demonstrates how the IACtHR can apply a *Saramaka*-style test to future cases brought by persons with disabilities challenging legal capacity restrictions. The Article further argues that the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) should also apply this rule to align its legal capacity jurisprudence with the crpd's mandates. Finally, it suggests that the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (crpd Committee) ought to consider this rule when resolving individual communications and thereby guide courts.

[Non-refoulement Principle and Its Application to Refugees and Asylum Seekers Who Have Committed Offences in Africa](#)

By: [Jamil Ddamulira Mujuzi](#)

Pages: 213–251

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

The 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1969 African Union Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa have been ratified by many African States. These treaties deal with, inter alia, the principle of non-refoulement generally and the protection of asylum seekers or refugees convicted of offences. Some States in Eastern and Southern Africa have also enacted domestic legislation giving effect to these treaties and the principle of non-refoulement is provided for in most of these pieces of legislation, albeit sometimes in different ways. This article assesses legislation and case law from Eastern and Southern African States to demonstrate how courts have dealt with the principle of non-refoulement in the context of refugees and/or asylum seekers who have been convicted of offences. It also considers relevant legislation and case law prohibiting extradition if there are grounds to believe that the extradited person could be subjected to torture in a receiving State.

[The Protection of Non-nationals' Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in un Human Rights Treaties](#)

By: [Claire Lougarre](#)

Pages: 252–290

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

The decade of austerity policies resulting from the 2008 economic crisis significantly impeded the realisation of economic, social and cultural (esc) rights worldwide, especially for non-nationals who

became targets of populist nationalist ideologies. The Coronavirus disease (covid-19) pandemic and its subsequent recession have heightened existing levels of inequalities, putting non-nationals' access to health, housing, food, water and work under unprecedented strains. It is thus, crucial to analyse the extent to which un human rights treaties recognise non-nationals' esc rights, in order to assess their ability to offer protection in this context. This article sheds light on the ambiguities of key un human rights treaties in this regard. It then analyses the attempts of relevant un treaty bodies to circumvent such issues; and finally suggests legal paths allowing un treaty bodies to further assert their protection of non-nationals' esc rights during the covid-19 pandemic.

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Featured Journal Content – Stewardship

Nature

Volume 587 Issue 7832, 5 November 2020

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

News & Views | 14 October 2020

[Satellites could soon map every tree on Earth](#)

An analysis of satellite images has pinpointed individual tree canopies over a large area of West Africa. The data suggest that it will soon be possible, with certain limitations, to map the location and size of every tree worldwide.

Niall P. Hanan & Julius Y. Anchang

... A previous estimate² of the total number of trees on a global scale was obtained using field data from approximately 430,000 forest plots around the world. The authors of that study used statistical regression models to estimate tree density between the field sites, on the basis of vegetation type and climate. Their analysis suggested that there are approximately three trillion trees globally. However, this approach to tree-density estimation has inherent errors and uncertainties, particularly for drylands, for which relatively few field measurements are available to calibrate the models...

Article | 14 October 2020

[An unexpectedly large count of trees in the West African Sahara and Sahel](#)

Deep learning was used to map the crown sizes of each tree in the West African Sahara, Sahel and sub-humid zone using submetre-resolution satellite imagery, revealing a relatively high density of trees in arid areas.

Martin Brandt, Compton J. Tucker[...] & Rasmus Fensholt

Abstract

A large proportion of dryland trees and shrubs (hereafter referred to collectively as trees) grow in isolation, without canopy closure. These non-forest trees have a crucial role in biodiversity, and provide ecosystem services such as carbon storage, food resources and shelter for humans and animals^{1,2}. However, most public interest relating to trees is devoted to forests, and trees outside of forests are not well-documented³. Here we map the crown size of each tree more than 3 m² in size over a land area that spans 1.3 million km² in the West African Sahara, Sahel and sub-humid zone, using submetre-resolution satellite imagery and deep learning⁴. We detected over 1.8 billion individual trees (13.4 trees per hectare), with a median crown size of 12 m², along a rainfall gradient from 0 to 1,000 mm per year. The canopy cover increases from 0.1% (0.7 trees per hectare) in hyper-arid areas, through 1.6% (9.9 trees per hectare) in arid and 5.6% (30.1 trees per hectare) in semi-arid zones, to 13.3% (47 trees per hectare) in sub-humid areas. Although the overall canopy cover is low, the

relatively high density of isolated trees challenges prevailing narratives about dryland desertification^{5,6,7}, and even the desert shows a surprisingly high tree density. Our assessment suggests a way to monitor trees outside of forests globally, and to explore their role in mitigating degradation, climate change and poverty.

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EMERGENCIES

Coronavirus [COVID-19]

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Weekly Epidemiological and Operational updates

last update: 7 November 2020, 10:30 GMT-4

Confirmed cases :: 49 106 931 [week ago: 45 428 731] [two weeks ago: 42 055 863]

Confirmed deaths :: 1 239 157 [week ago: 1 185 721} [two weeks ago: 1 141 567]

Countries, areas or territories with cases :: 219

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[WHO Director-General's opening remarks at the media briefing on COVID-19 - 6 November 2020](#)

6 November 2020

:: Today, WHO and UNICEF are jointly launching an emergency appeal to rapidly boost measles and polio vaccination. We estimate that \$655 million US dollars is needed to address dangerous immunisation gaps in children in non-Gavi eligible countries.

:: As the pandemic unfolds, as countries have reflected, they have used intra action reviews to make their responses stronger. An Intra-Action Review uses a whole-of-society, multi-sectoral approach, acknowledging the contributions of all relevant stakeholders involved in COVID-19 preparedness and response at the national and sub-national levels.

:: Intra-Action Reviews not only help countries improve their COVID-19 response but also contribute towards their long-term health security. To date, 21 countries have completed them and others are in pipeline.

:: Today we are happy to welcome the Ministers of Health from Indonesia, the Kingdom of Thailand and South Africa to share their experience and lessons from COVID-19.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 04 November 2020

:: The Independent Monitoring Board (IMB) for polio eradication will host its 19th meeting via video conference from 17 – 19 November 2020 to discuss overall situation report; ongoing COVID-19 impact,

outbreaks and vaccine deployment among other issues. In preparation for the meeting, we have made the necessary meeting documents available [here](#).

:: Fahima Ahmed Hassan is a 25-year-old community mobilizer who goes the extra mile to ensure parents of children under the age of five are well informed of the polio vaccination campaign and ready to vaccinate their children in Somalia. [Take a look at this photo essay](#) showing Fahima and other mobilisers lay the groundwork for vaccinators.

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

- :: **Afghanistan:** 20 cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Pakistan:** one WPV1 case and one WPV1 positive environmental sample
- :: **Burkina Faso:** three cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Cameroon:** one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- :: **Central African Republic:** one cVDPV2 case
- :: **Chad:** two cVDPV2 cases
- :: **Congo:** one cVDPV2 case
- :: **Côte d'Ivoire:** one cVDPV2 case
- :: **Somalia:** one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- :: **South Sudan:** three cVDPV2 cases

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WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

Afghanistan - *No new digest announcements identified*
Angola - *No new digest announcements identified*
Burkina Faso - *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 Floods - *No new digest announcements identified*
Measles in Europe - *No new digest announcements identified*
MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*
Mozambique - *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 7 Nov 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 - *No new digest announcements identified*
Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified*

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UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies

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

COVID-19

:: Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report 51: occupied Palestinian territory, issued 5 November 2020, information for period: 5 March - 5 November 2020

East Africa Locust Infestation - *No new digest announcements identified*

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements

6 November 2020

SG/SM/20398

[Peaceful Elections Key to Advancing Democratic Reforms in Myanmar, Secretary-General Says, Expresses Hope They Pave Way for Safe Return of Refugees](#)

3 November 2020

GA/12281

[Growing Docket of International Court of Justice Signals Rising Confidence in Its Legitimacy, Say Delegates, as General Assembly Concludes Debate](#)

The General Assembly concluded its debate on the report of the International Court of Justice today, with speakers describing the growing docket of the principal United Nations judicial organ as a sign of rising confidence among Member States in the authority and legitimacy of its judgements and advisory opinions.

2 November 2020

GA/12280

[General Assembly, Adopting Draft Upholding International Criminal Court's Goal to End Impunity, Calls for Cooperation in Arresting Fugitives](#)

[See Week in Review above for detail]

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[Ethiopia: Bachelet calls for de-escalation amid alarming developments in Tigray and Oromia regions](#)

[Nagorno-Karabakh conflict: Bachelet warns of possible war crimes as attacks continue in populated areas](#)

[UN Committee urges Saudi Arabia to release women's rights activist Loujain Al-Hathloul](#)

[UN expert calls on Myanmar to stop curtailing democratic rights in run-up to general election](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Council News

[Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review Working Group to hold thirty-sixth session in Geneva from 2 to 13 November 2020](#)

30/10/2020

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

3 November, 2020

[**South Sudan: Special Representative Patten welcomes the conviction of perpetrators of sexual violence in Yei, Central Equatoria, marking a step forward in the fight against impunity**](#)

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 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 experts: Bosnia must investigate attacks against woman aiding migrants](#)

5 November 2020

UN OCHA [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

05 November 2020

[UN agencies and international NGOs call for the protection of Palestinian olive harvesters](#)

03 November 2020

[Humanitarian Coordinator condemns the second killing of an aid worker within days in South Sudan](#)

02 November 2020

[Humanitarian Coordinator in South Sudan condemns aid worker death in Pibor and calls for end of violence](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press releases, Statements

Press release

11/06/2020

[UNICEF alarmed by spike in school attacks in Cameroon](#)

UNICEF calls on all parties to protect all children, at school or in their communities and to uphold the principles of the Safe Schools Declaration, which calls for stopping attacks on schools, education facilities and personnel

Press release

11/06/2020

[UNICEF and WHO call for emergency action to avert major measles and polio epidemics](#)

As COVID-19 disrupts immunizations, urgent action needed to protect most vulnerable children from deadly and debilitating diseases
[See Milestones above for detail]

Press release

11/05/2020

[More than 1.5 million children at risk due to the impact of Tropical Storm ETA in Honduras-UNICEF](#)

Statement

11/05/2020

[At least five children and two aid workers killed in a renewed wave of violence in north-west Syria](#)

Statement from Ted Chaiban, UNICEF Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa

Press release

11/05/2020

[UNICEF and WHO sound the alarm over 250 000 children at risk of vaccine-preventable diseases in Libya](#)

TRIPOLI, Libya, 5 November 2020 – UNICEF and WHO are extremely concerned over severe shortages of critical vaccines in Libya that threaten the health of the country’s children. Over the past 7 months, unprecedented vaccine shortages in the country have disrupted children’s immunization schedules and put them at risk of disease and death.

There has been an alarming decline in the number of children receiving life-saving vaccines globally. In Libya, this decline is a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has led to the closure of international borders, movement restrictions, and delays procuring and distributing vaccines. Many vaccination centres have been forced to close due to shortages of personal protective equipment for health workers.

A recent assessment of 200 of Libya’s 700 vaccine sites, carried out by the National Centre of Disease Control with the support of UNICEF and WHO, showed that all 200 sites had stockouts of BCG vaccine and extremely limited quantities of hexavalent vaccine...

Press release

11/03/2020

[Nearly half a million children in Nicaragua at risk from Hurricane Eta](#)

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[Inclusion key to protecting refugees and their hosts amid COVID-19 pandemic](#)

4 Nov 2020

[Ivorians flee to neighbouring countries fearing post-electoral violence](#)

3 Nov 2020

[World Cities Day: Cities lead the way in protecting forcibly displaced against impact of COVID-19](#)

31 Oct 2020

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

[Partnerships Prove Vital in Getting Stranded Migrants Home in Central Asia](#)

2020-11-06 13:50

Tashkent – Uzbekistan, a landlocked Central Asian country, has been a global crossroads since ancient times. It continues to be, often along routes forged by silk and spice merchants plying their trade via camel caravan. Today, it has emerged as one of the world’s most active transit points for...

[IOM Welcomes the Launch of Labour Reforms in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia](#)

2020-11-05 17:57

Riyadh- The International Organization for Migration (IOM), welcomes the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia’s Labour Reform which aims at granting foreign workers more freedom in job mobility and lessening restrictions on exit and re-entry into the Kingdom. These reforms will directly...

[IOM Launches Continental Strategy for Africa 2020-2024](#)

2020-11-03 20:55

Geneva – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) has launched its Continental Strategy for Africa 2020-2024 in a virtual event live-streamed and attended by representatives from...

[See Week in Review above for detail]

UNAIDS [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

6 November 2020

[20–50–80 to reach 100 in Ukraine](#)

3 November 2020

[A tale of two Jamaican clinics during COVID-19](#)

2 November 2020

[Highly effective HIV prevention option not reaching those who need it](#)

WHO & Regional Offices [to 7 Nov 2020]

6 November 2020 *News release*

[UNICEF and WHO call for emergency action to avert major measles and polio epidemics](#)

[See Milestones above for detail]

6 November 2020 *Statement*

[WHO-ICMRA joint statement on the need for improved global regulatory alignment on COVID-19 medicines and vaccines](#)

[See Milestones above for detail]

5 November 2020 *News release*

[World Health Assembly charts course for COVID-19 response and global health priorities](#)

[See Milestones above for detail]

5 November 2020 *Departmental news*

[Neglected tropical diseases and One Health: gearing up against antimicrobial resistance to secure the safety of future generations](#)

4 November 2020 *Departmental news*

[Message from Director SRH/HRP](#)

4 November 2020 *Departmental news*

[WHO publishes series of profiles on climate change and health in island states](#)

2 November 2020 *Departmental news*

[Ensuring medicines work safely for everyone](#)

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: [Reinforcing key health services amid COVID-19](#) 05 November 2020

Thousands of vaccinators fanned through villages and towns across 73 districts in Ghana, immunizing more than 4.6 million children against vaccine-derived poliovirus. Mass immunization campaigns, like many key health services, have suffered a heavy jolt dealt by the COVID-19 pandemic.

:: [Talk radio, teletherapy expands mental health services in Ethiopia](#) 05 November 2020

The Erq Ma'ed – or 'reconciliation table' – social enterprise has mixed talk radio, communications and counselling to boost the mental health and wellbeing of Ethiopians for nearly a decade. With the added pressure due to the COVID-19 pandemic, their journey of innovation to meet people's mental health needs amid unprecedented times has been further spurred on.

:: [Easing COVID-19 impact on key health services](#) 05 November 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic has strained health systems and disrupted essential health services in Africa. Countries are working to restore and strengthen key services to better withstand shocks and ensure quality care. Regina Kamoga, the Executive Director of Uganda's Community Health and Information Network and Chairperson of the Uganda Alliance of Patients Organizations, speaks about the impact of COVID-19 and solutions to restore essential health services.

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

:: [Mink-strain of COVID-19 virus in Denmark](#) 07-11-2020

:: [Albania needs to expand population coverage to move towards universal health coverage](#) 06-11-2020

- :: Helicopter paramedic nurse Jacqueline Zbären – providing emergency care in inhospitable terrain 06-11-2020
- :: WHO/Europe and Ukrainian government sign Biennial Collaborative Agreement 05-11-2020
- :: Regional Director visits newly opened GDO in Istanbul and speaks at Turkic Council on country visit 05-11-2020

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

- :: WHO and partners affirm support to end polio in Pakistan 25 October 2020
- :: Regional Director arrives in Syria, hands-over medical supplies during his visit to Syria 24 October 2020
- :: Health workers celebrated on World Polio Day in Somalia 24 October 2020

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Meetings and events

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest from News Centre

[Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen to be first guest in a new UNDP series of talks on the Future of Development](#)

UNDP will kick off a new series of quarterly dialogues with a conversation between Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen and UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner on Thursday, 12 November 2020 at 12pm EST. Posted on November 5, 2020

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

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

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

Meetings and events

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases/Speeches

05 Nov 2020 *Press release*

[Global Commitment 2020: Progress made, but acceleration needed to meet targets on reducing plastic waste and pollution](#)

Ellen MacArthur Foundation and UN Environment Programme publish second progress report on the New Plastics Economy Global Commitment Report shows that while progress has been made between 2018 and 2019, much more...

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest news

Statements and messages November 2020

[Tsunamis supreme test of risk governance - UN Secretary-General](#)

MESSAGE OF THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR WORLD TSUNAMI AWARENESS DAY, 5 NOVEMBER

We live in a multi-hazard world where risk is systemic and embedded in the very fabric of human development. Currently we are struggling with what some describe as a tsunami...

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

05 Nov 2020 | DESA

[The new normal is digital](#)

With half of the global population under lockdown and with 90 per cent of students out of school at one point in 2020, the Internet has become our classroom, our workplace, our meeting space and even our dancefloor. The [2020 Annual Meeting of the Internet Governance Forum](#) is gathering this month to ensure that the Internet continues to connect us and not drive us apart.

04 Nov 2020 | DESA

[Will European Central Bank's unconventional policies cause hyperinflation?](#)

Monetary policy has ventured even further into uncharted territory over the past years. Gone are the times when changes in interest rates were the sole policy variable that drew the attention of the public and financial markets. Today, central bank policy pronouncements are as much or even more about unconventional policy tools—such as asset purchase programmes—than they are about interest rates.

30 Oct 2020 | DESA

[Shaping the trends that shape our world](#)

Climate catastrophes, a global pandemic, automation of jobs – the interconnected crises unleashing havoc on our world seem to have slipped out of our control and taken a life of their own. But a new report by the UN Economist Network stresses that the five greatest challenges facing humanity are all human-made and can be shaped by our policies. We talk to UN Chief Economist Elliott Harris who has led this analysis by economists in dozens of UN entities.

UNESCO [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Latest News

[UNESCO builds an international policy agenda for digital preservation of documentary heritage](#)

05/11/2020

Four key policy priorities for digital preservation came to the fore during a virtual policy dialogue organized by UNESCO's Memory of the World Programme to draw attention to documentary heritage at risk. These included:

- :: Protecting cultural identity at risk
- :: Creating sustainable partnerships for preservation
- :: Preventing loss of documentary heritage due to the rapid obsolescence of technology
- :: Upholding enabling legal frameworks for effective functioning of memory institutions

Held on 27 October 2020, the event brought together an international line-up of experts and practitioners to analyse policy gaps and possible solutions in digital preservation. Over 800 participants joined the event via ZOOM and [YouTube](#) from all over the world. The event was split in two sessions to accommodate an international audience across different time zones.

REVISIT THE POLICY DIALOGUE

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

World Food Programme [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News releases

6 November 2020

[UN Food Agencies warn of rising levels of acute hunger with potential risk of famine in four hotspots](#)

ROME – The world has been put on a heightened famine alert with a new report by two United Nations agencies that contains a stark warning; four countries contain areas that could soon slip into famine if conditions there undergo “any further deterioration over the coming months”. These are Burkina Faso in West Africa’s Sahel region, northeastern Nigeria, South Sudan and Yemen.

6 November 2020

[The Republic of Korea helps WFP provide assistance to conflict-affected families in Iraq](#)

BAGHDAD - The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) welcomes a generous contribution of US\$600,000 from the Republic of Korea to help provide food assistance for three months for more than 350,000 people in camps in Iraq.

3 November 2020

[WFP positions food supplies and deploys staff in Nicaragua's Northern Caribbean Region as hurricane Eta makes landfall](#)

MANAGUA – As powerful Hurricane Eta makes landfall along the northern Caribbean coast of Nicaragua, the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), at the request of the Government, has positioned 80 metric tons of food assistance in the region. The Category 4 hurricane, with winds of 240 km/h, is bringing heavy rain and causing damage to homes, agricultural fields, roads and power lines.

2 November 2020

[New contribution from the Republic of Korea helps WFP respond to emergencies in Bangladesh and Myanmar](#)

BANGKOK – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) welcomes a new contribution of US\$800,000 from the Republic of Korea. The funding will go towards WFP’s emergency operations in Bangladesh and Myanmar in the Asia and the Pacific region.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

[ICAO encourages proactive pursuit of public health corridor, travel bubble solutions](#)

5/11/20

[New ACI-ICAO qualification programme to enhance aviation safety, COVID-19 response worldwide](#)

4/11/20

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest Press Briefings

05 November 2020

Addressing challenges faced by seafarers in Asia

IMO has held the latest in a series of regional events to identify best practices and help alleviate the current crisis affecting seafarers and the shipping industry. The Asia regional webinar (4-5 November) featured 13 speakers from across maritime administrations, governments, UN partners and international shipping organizations.

05 November 2020

Supporting safe resumption of cruise ship operations

IMO and UNWTO encourage the cruise industry and Governments to continue their efforts to enable cruise ship operations to resume safely. In a joint statement issued on 5 November, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) highlight the importance of the cruise sector for the world economy.

04 November 2020

IMO's World Maritime University students graduate despite the pandemic

Maritime leaders of tomorrow from 79 countries have graduated from the World Maritime University (WMU) in the Class of 2020. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, four small graduation ceremonies were held at WMU (from 31 October to 1 November) to honour the graduates.

04 November 2020

IMO's technical work continues as Maritime Safety Committee meets

The Maritime Safety Committee resumes its technical work this week, with its 102nd session (MSC 102) meeting in virtual session (4-11 November). The Committee will focus its work on reviewing the work of the IMO Sub-Committees and adoption of a number of previously approved amendments to mandatory instruments.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

By Clare Naden on 5 November 2020

[Getting big on data](#)

... To clear up any confusion and provide a stable base to address the challenges and opportunities of big data, a comprehensive range of standards and technical reports has just been published. The five-part [ISO/IEC 20547](#) series provides a big data reference architecture (BDRA) and framework which organizations can use to effectively and consistently describe their architecture and its implementations.

When used correctly, big data can help organizations make important strategic decisions, save time and resources, and better understand market trends and client needs. It can unlock valuable insights that lead to new inventions and solutions in a variety of areas, such as road traffic congestion, medical diagnoses and treatments, food safety and more.

Wael William Diab, Chair of one of the two ISO/IEC committees that developed the standards, said: "At the heart of the fourth industrial revolution is the ability to derive insights in an increasingly data-centric world. Big data computational systems enable this digital transformation across a wide variety of industry verticals. These standards are in response to an increasing demand for greater clarity and consistency of concepts and processes in handling big data."...

4 November 2020

[G20: Call to action on international standards](#)

Organizers of the Riyadh International Standards Summit held on 4 November 2020 issued a call to action for the recognition, support and adoption of international standards. This is the first ever summit on standardization held within G20-related activities.

2 November 2020

[COVID-19: National resources](#)

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

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

All Regions Affiliate Member, COVID-19

[UNWTO Brings Tourism Sector Together to Plan for the Future](#)

06 Nov 2020

All Regions COVID-19, Statements

[A Lifeline for Small Island States: UNWTO Joins IMO to Highlight Importance of Cruise Tourism](#)

05 Nov 2020

Africa COVID-19

[UNWTO in Namibia - First Visit to African Member State Since Start of the Pandemic](#)

04 Nov 2020

Africa

[ATREVIA to work with UNWTO to boost tourism in Africa](#)

03 Nov 2020

All Regions COVID-19

[New International Code to Provide Greater Legal Protection for Tourists](#)

02 Nov 2020

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Announcements

[06.11.2020 Frequent extreme bushfires are our new reality: We need to learn how to live with smoke-filled air](#)

[04.11.2020 Grants of up to US\\$110 000 for Biodiversity Conservation in the Mediterranean Basin](#)

[02.11.2020 Prize for Scientific Discovery and Technological Innovation of the African Academy of Sciences](#)

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USAID [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements

[The United States Announces \\$20 Million to Buy Wheat to Help the Sudanese People](#)

November 6, 2020

Today, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) announces the intention of the United States, subject to Congressional approval, to grant \$20 million to the World Food Programme (WFP), through USAID, to purchase wheat for the people of Sudan which will help to alleviate an important shortage in the country.

[The United States is Providing Immediate Aid to Respond to Support Super Typhoon Goni in The Philippines](#)

November 6, 2020

The United States, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), is providing \$200,000 in emergency assistance to support the efforts of the Government of the Republic of The Philippines to respond to Super Typhoon Goni, known locally as Rolly, the strongest storm to hit the islands since Typhoon Haiyan (known locally as Yolanda) in 2013.

USAID Re-Designates 18 High-Priority Countries Under the Water for the World Act

November 6, 2020

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has announced its annual list of high-priority countries for assistance in safe water, sanitation, and hygiene and the launch of corresponding country plans for each. Aligned with the requirements in the Water for the World Act of 2014, these partner countries will be the primary focus of the U.S. Government's investments to build a more water-secure world.

59th Anniversary of USAID

November 3, 2020

Statement by Acting Administrator John Barsa

Today, we celebrate the 59th anniversary of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Since the Agency's inception, USAID has been proud to exhibit the best of American values abroad, by helping people around the world make progress on their Journey to Self-Reliance while creating a safer and more prosperous world for Americans at home. Since our founding in 1961, USAID has promoted social and economic development with the ultimate goal of ending the need for foreign assistance.

International Day to End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists

November 2, 2020

Statement by Acting Administrator John Barsa

Freedom of the press is a cornerstone to every just and free society. Today, on this International Day to End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists, we salute all journalists, especially those who risk their safety and their very lives to inform citizens with accurate reporting. Factual, accurate reporting should never put anyone's life in danger.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [nee DFID] [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases. Announcements

WIPO Conversation on Intellectual Property and Artificial Intelligence: UK statement

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) held its third conversation on Intellectual Property (IP) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) on 4th November 2020.

Updated: 4 November 2020

ECHO [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

Coronavirus: additional 1 million pairs of surgical gloves sent to France through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism

06/11/2020

A second shipment of 1 million pairs of medical gloves, sent by Norway, will be soon delivered to France, following the country's request for assistance through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism. This assistance comes on top of another 2 million...

Philippines: Joint Statement by High Representative/Vice-President Borrell and Commissioner Lenarčič on Typhoon Goni

05/11/2020

"Typhoon Goni has caused massive devastation across the island of Luzon in the Philippines. We stand by all those affected, and in particular express our sincere condolences to the families and friends of those who have lost their lives.As a...

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African Union [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

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Website not responding at inquiry

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Secretariat News

No new digest content identified.

European Commission [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest

Press release 6 November 2020

[The European Union provides additional €17.2 million to support health systems in Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan](#)

The European Union has approved an additional €17.2 million through the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF) to support coronavirus preparedness in Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan.

OECD [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

[Climate finance for developing countries rose to USD 78.9 billion in 2018](#)

6-November-2020

Climate finance provided and mobilised by developed countries for developing countries totalled USD 78.9 billion in 2018, up 11% from 71.2 billion in 2017. The increase was driven by a rise in public climate finance, while private climate finance was flat, according to new figures from the OECD.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

OIC Renews Commitment to Palestinian People's Legitimate Rights

On the 103rd anniversary of the Balfour Declaration (2 November 1917), the General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) renews unwavering commitment to the Palestinian people in their ongoing struggle to fully enjoy their legitimate rights, based on the Arab Peace Initiative and relevant UN resolutions, and to establish their independent Palestinian state with the June 4, 1967 border and with eastern Al-Quds as its capital....

02/11/2020

Group of 77 [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://unctad.org/media-centre>

No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News – Selected Items

No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

WTO News and Events

General Council meeting on DG selection postponed

6 November 2020

The General Council meeting scheduled for 9 November to consider the appointment of the next WTO Director-General has been postponed. Ambassador David Walker, the chair of the General Council, informed members of the decision on 6 November.

New WTO paper explores linkages between trade and the spread of diseases of animal origin

5 November 2020

The WTO Secretariat has published a new information note about trade issues associated with the spread of diseases of animal origin. The note maps out the international framework in place to address these issues, along with ongoing efforts to ensure safe trade in animals and animal products, including in wildlife.

DDG Wolff welcomes two new OIE publications on trade and animal health

4 November 2020

Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff spoke at a virtual event on 4 November for the launch of two new publications from the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) focusing on safe trade in animals and

animal products and required competences of veterinary services for international trade. The OIE publications both highlight practical experiences and tools for the implementation of safe trade in animals and animal products, all in the context of the international framework of trade rules and international standards underpinning trade, DDG Wolff said. His remarks are below.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press releases

03/11/2020

[Opposition MPs suffer human rights violations against backdrop of elections](#)

Press releases

02/11/2020

[Duarte Pacheco elected new IPU President in historic virtual vote](#)

International Court of Justice [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest Press Releases

3 November 2020

[The President of the International Court of Justice addresses the General Assembly:](#)

The Court "stands ready, more than ever before, to continue its efforts to contribute, within the bounds of its Statute, to the protection and advancement of the international rule of law and to the peaceful settlement of disputes among States"

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 7 Nov 2020]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News

[Pre-recorded statement to United Nations General Assembly by Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, President, International Criminal Court](#)

Statement 1 November 2020 Presidency

[ICC President addresses General Assembly to present Court's annual report, highlights common mission of the UN and ICC to achieve a world free of violence and conflict](#)

Press Release 1 November 2020

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World Bank [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

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[Food Systems 2030](#)

The world's food systems, which millions of people around the world rely on for nourishment, jobs and economic opportunities, are no longer fit for purpose. Hunger is on the rise, healthy...
Date: November 03, 2020 Type: Brief

[New Funding to Improve Food Systems Will Help Prevent Zoonotic Diseases](#)

WASHINGTON, November 3, 2020 - Germany became the first donor today to invest in Food Systems 2030, a new World Bank Multi-Donor Trust Fund that proposes to help countries maximize the impact of their...

Date: November 03, 2020 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News, Announcements

No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank Group [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

[African Development Bank signs grant agreement to support the Rwanda Coding Academy](#)

05-Nov-2020 - The African Development Bank has signed a grant agreement with the Ministry of ICT and Innovation in Rwanda to support the Rwanda Coding Academy, set up to develop top technology talent to drive a booming, innovation-driven digital economy in the East African nation.

[African Development Bank Group approves \\$440,000 emergency relief assistance for flood victims in South Sudan and Sudan](#)

31-Oct-2020 - The African Development Bank Group has approved an emergency assistance relief package of \$440,000 to fund ongoing humanitarian and emergency relief efforts in areas recently hit by floods in South Sudan and Sudan. The package, from the Bank's Special Relief Fund, will be split nearly equally between the two countries and will be used to purchase food items and water, and to cover the implementation costs to be incurred by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Asian Development Bank [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

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News

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Development Bank [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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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 7 Nov 2020]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

Pakistan

Renforcer la sécurité alimentaire et l'agriculture locale

2 novembre 2020

A cause de niveaux de pauvreté élevés, d'un accès limité à la nourriture et de mauvaises pratiques alimentaires, chaque année des millions de Pakistanais basculent dans la malnutrition. Action contre la Faim met en œuvre des programmes nutritionnels dans les zones rurales du Sindh pour y faire face.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-news/>

BSI News

06 Nov 2020

[Blue Shield Emergency Response in Beirut](#)

UNIFIL working with Blue Shield to secure the registered historic Ministry of Foreign Affairs building, Beirut, after the catastrophic explosion on 4 August. Following the devastating explosion in Beirut, Lebanon, on 4th August 2020 Blue Shield Lebanon and partners have been working round the clock to compile a preliminary assessment of the damage, completing a [...]

BRAC [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest

No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News/Events

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://drc.ngo/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News from ECPAT

Update / Alert

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

All news

[HI readies its teams to assess the needs of people affected by Typhoon Goni](#)

Emergency / Philippines / PUBLISHED ON November 3rd 2020

Heifer International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[Heifer International Announces Agreement for Sale of Remaining Land at Rutland Farm](#)

By Heifer International | November 3, 2020

Sustainable food and farming nonprofit, Heifer International, today announced that it had reached an agreement for the sale of the remaining land...

HelpAge International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

[Ethiopia: ICRC calls for respect of people's lives and property amidst escalating tensions in Tigray and other regions in the country](#)

ICRC calls on those taking part in clashes in northern Ethiopia to respect people's lives and property and stands ready to provide humanitarian assistance.

06-11-2020 | News release

[South Sudan: Thousands at-risk of hunger and disease in aftermath of clashes, floods in Equatoria States](#)

Juba (ICRC) – Months of conflict followed by torrential rains have created a deepening humanitarian crisis in which communities now face a heightened risk of hunger, malnutrition and disease in South Sudan's Central, Western and Eastern Equatoria states

02-11-2020 | News release

IFRC [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

No new digest content identified.

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Update / Alert

No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Media highlights [Selected]

Statement

[As tensions rise in Ethiopia's Tigray region, the IRC calls on all parties to prioritize de-escalation and protect civilians and the most vulnerable](#)

November 5, 2020

Press Release

[UN Member States should vote to support Syria General Assembly resolution highlighting cross-border aid needs](#)

November 2, 2020

IRCT [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://irct.org/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News, Blog

News

[Severe typhoon, causes widespread destruction in the Philippines](#)

Published: 6 November, 2020

Country (News)

[Islamic Relief supports aid efforts as earthquake causes devastation in Turkey](#)

Published: 6 November, 2020

Landsea [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News Releases & Alerts

November 04, 2020

[News Alert: Mercy Corps Prepares for Life-Threatening Rains in Guatemala as Tropical Storm Eta Lashes Central America](#)

As tropical storm Eta continues pummeling Central America with heavy rains, Mercy Corps' Guatemala team is preparing for...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

DRC Ebola outbreaks

[New strategies at work in eleventh Ebola outbreak in DRC](#)

Interview 4 Nov 2020

Mozambique

[Urgent assistance needed for hundreds of thousands of people displaced by viol...](#)

Press Release 3 Nov 2020

South Sudan

[Urgent vaccination campaign needed to stop spread of measles in Pibor](#)

Press Release 3 Nov 2020

Juba, South Sudan — Two months into a measles outbreak in Pibor town in the Greater Pibor Administrative Area, the spread of the highly contagious and life-threatening illness is a severe growing crisis. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) calls on all health organisations to urgently launch a reactive vaccination campaign to curb the outbreak.

On 18 August 2020, MSF treated the first patient for suspected measles in Pibor town, eastern South Sudan. By the end of October, teams had treated over 250 children.

"We believe measles is now widespread and getting out of control. It is especially concerning that the Greater Pibor Administrative Area is flooded and in emergency. We started with four, then six and then 18 isolation beds," says MSF's Dr Adelard Shyaka. "At the moment we have 30 children with severe measles receiving treatment in our health facility."...

Operation Smile [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected News/Announcements

[OECD report confirms far too much climate finance given as loans that force poorer nations into debt](#)

6 November 2020

Today's report from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) on climate finance confirms that far too much of the climate finance from governments and development banks is in the form of loans that force poorer nations to fall further into debt, says Oxfam.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest news

Africa/Ethiopia | 04. Nov 2020

[Statement from Secretary General of NRC Jan Egeland on escalating tensions in Ethiopia](#)

Mr. Egeland said: "The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) is profoundly concerned about escalating tensions in Ethiopia, a country already contending with mass displacement and widespread humanitarian needs."

Pact [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

PATH [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Release

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

4 November 2020 - *Syria*

[SYRIA: AT LEAST FOUR CHILDREN KILLED IN INTENSE SHELLING ACROSS IDLIB](#)

4 November 2020 - *Nicaragua*

[Save the Children responds to thousands of children in need in the wake of Hurricane Eta](#)

2 November 2020 - *Philippines*

[Fears for more than 450,000 children as Philippines struck by Typhoon Goni](#)

2 November 2020 - *South Sudan*

[Fears of polio spike among children in South Sudan as new cases put children's lives at further risk](#)

1 November 2020 - *Philippines*

[Children huddled in evacuation centres at risk from COVID19, as year's strongest storm batters the Philippines](#)

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

All News

No new digest content identified.

Tostan [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://www.tostan.org>

News/Events

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Blogs & Updates

Article

November 7, 2020

[A Huge Step Forward for Women: Congrats, Kamala!](#)

Article

World Vision [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://wvi.org/>

Newsroom

[Joining Forces for Children in Kenya Project Launch](#)

November 5th 2020

[World Vision ready to respond to the latest earthquake that struck in Turkey as numbers of...](#)

November 4th 2020

[World Vision condemns artillery attacks in Syria that kill four children and two aid worke...](#)

November 4th 2020

[World Vision deploys response team to super typhoon-stricken Bicol provinces](#)

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

Latest Updates

[United States: Leaders Must Put Democracy above Partisan Interests](#)

Press release

November 6, 2020

Human Rights Watch [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

Breaking

November 7, 2020

[US: Voters Choose Biden as President](#)

US President-elect Joe Biden should reverse four years of regression on human rights and immediately work to place respect for rights at the forefront of US laws and policies. US officials should ensure that the voters' will is respected and not undermined by baseless lawsuits.

November 6, 2020 *News Release*

[Belarus: Expert Report Calls for International Inquiry into Torture](#)

November 5, 2020 *News Release*

[Bullying, Violence Common in Schools Worldwide](#)

Middle East/North Africa

November 4, 2020 *News Release*

[Lebanon: Broken Promises On Women's Rights](#)

Transparency International [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press

[Transparency Germany criticizes serious gaps in the transparency register](#)

Czech Prime Minister not listed as beneficial owner in Germany

The anti-corruption organisation Transparency Germany criticizes that the German transparency register (Transparenzregister) has serious gaps. A prominent case illustrates this once again: Czech...
06 November 2020

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ChildFund Alliance [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

CONCORD [to 7 Nov 2020]
[http://concordeurope.org/Latest News and Events](http://concordeurope.org/LatestNewsandEvents)
No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 7 Nov 2020]
<http://theelders.org/news-media>
Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements Statement

[Landmark Escazú Agreement can now enter into force](#)

06 Nov 2020

The Elders welcome the news that with the eleventh ratification of the Escazú Agreement by Mexico, the landmark regional agreement can now enter into force across Latin America and the Caribbean.
Access to Justice, Climate Change

Statement

[Rebuilding Zimbabwe requires dialogue, solidarity, inclusivity, transparency and accountability](#)

04 Nov 2020

Mary Robinson shares a message of solidarity on the occasion of the third National Citizens Convention in Zimbabwe.
Conflict

Statement

[On the eve of the US election, the Elders recall Mandela's legacy](#)

02 Nov 2020

In the face of a devastating global pandemic and on the eve of a presidential election in the United States that will have worldwide ramifications, we once again draw strength from Madiba's vision and legacy.

News

[Justice is on the frontline of the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

02 Nov 2020

Ban Ki-moon condemns sustained attacks on democratic safeguards, human rights and the rule of law, and underscores the centrality of justice to building back better after the pandemic.
Access to Justice

Evidence Aid [to 7 Nov 2020]

Evidence Aid aims to save lives and livelihoods in disasters by providing decision-makers with the best available evidence and by championing its use.

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

New Resources

[High flow nasal cannula efficiency for critically ill patients \(multiple reviews\) Added November 3, 2020](#)

[D-Dimer levels and increased risk of death for COVID-19 patients \(search up to 16 April 2020\) Added November 3, 2020](#)

[Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 from mother to baby is uncertain \(literature from before 15 May 2020\) Added November 3, 2020](#)

[Dental recalls: longer intervals between routine check-ups are unlikely to be harmful for adults Added November 3, 2020](#)

[N95 respirators and surgical masks for preventing transmission of respiratory infections to healthcare workers \(multiple reviews\) Added November 3, 2020](#)

Gavi [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News releases

[COVAX Facility convenes first meeting of COVAX Shareholders Council](#)

3 November 2020

Getty Conservation Institute [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News/Updates

[Removing Human Rights Barriers to Health: Findings and Lessons](#)

04 November 2020

Programs to remove human rights barriers to HIV, TB and malaria services are essential to increasing the effectiveness of Global Fund grants. Such programs help to ensure health services reach those most affected by the three diseases. The Global Fund Strategy 2017-2022 recognizes and reaffirms this through its human rights objective.

Breaking Down Barriers initiative

As part of attaining this objective, the Global Fund's Breaking Down Barriers initiative aims to dramatically scale up programs to remove these obstacles. The Global Fund has now published a summary of key findings of the baseline assessments undertaken as part of the initiative: Breaking Down Barriers Initiative: Summary of Key Findings of the Baseline Assessments in 20 Countries [download in [English](#)]

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://prizecoalition.charity.org/>
No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources, events, content

[UNICEF – NGO Partnership in Humanitarian Action 2020 Annual Consultation 'Working Together to Address Emerging Challenges'](#)

November 17, 2020 - 2:00pm to November 19, 2020 - 5:00pm

Online

[Future of Humanitarian Response in Asia and the Pacific](#)

November 18, 2020 - 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Online

[High-Level Consultation in the lead-up to the 2020 Afghanistan Conference – Return and Reintegration: Building a Future for all Afghans](#)

November 20, 2020 - 10:00am to 11:00am

Online

[2020 Afghanistan Conference](#)

November 23, 2020 - 9:00am to November 24, 2020 - 5:00pm

Hybrid

InterAction [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Blog Post

[Statement on the 2020 Election Results](#)

Nov 7, 2020

Crises & Countries in Conflict

[Building the Evidence Base](#)

InterAction | Nov 2, 2020

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Publications/Events/Blogs

[Effects of access to electricity interventions on socio-economic outcomes in low- and middle- income countries](#)

3ie Systematic Review 45, 2020

Nick Moore, Douglas Glandon, Janice Tripney, Tomasz Kozakiewicz, Shannon Shisler, John Eyres, Maria Daniela Anda Leon, Varant Kurkjian, Birte Snilstveit and Ari

In this review, Moore and colleagues synthesise available evidence on the effectiveness of electricity interventions on socio-economic outcomes for households, firms and communities in low- and middle-income countries.

CHS Alliance [to 7 Nov 2020]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

Our Impact

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

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

News/Blog/Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News/Events

Geneva Health Forum 2020

2/11/20 *Events*

The 8th edition of the [Geneva Health Forum](#) (GHF) will take place online from 16-18 November 2020. The thematic of the year “Improving access to health: Learning from the field” will explore innovative methods and tools in order to improve access to health. The [programme](#) of the forum will also examine the potential of new communication tools, telemedicine, mass data management, electronic medical patient records, mobile applications, as well as the role of new health actors.

On Tuesday 17 November 2-3pm CET, the Centre’s Director, [Professor Karl Blanchet](#), will join the expert panel “SDGs: a challenge beyond COVID 19” together with speakers from the Geneva Institute

of Global Health, the Institute of Environmental Sciences, the SGD Lab and the Geneva Science-Policy Interface”.

To join the event, register [here](#).

Groupe URD [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Publications, Events, News

Publication

Charlotte Heward, Michael Carrier

[Meta Synthesis Report of the DEC funded Rohingya Refugee Crisis Response, 2020](#)

27/10/2020

As of August 2017, hundreds of thousands of Rohingyas were forced to flee Myanmar, where they were the victims of violence, and take refuge in Bangladesh. In October 2017, the DEC launched an appeal for funds to meet the needs of these refugees and the host population in the region of Cox's Bazar. The members of the DEC, and the humanitarian system as a whole, had to deal with numerous challenges during this unprecedented crisis. This report describes the main lessons learned.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://ihsa.info/>

Resources – Weekly Blog Posts Selections

[Recent trends in humanitarian thinking – 30 weeks of our weekly selection](#)

Selection#31 (26th October – 1st November)

This week we celebrate more than 30 weeks of selecting humanitarian blog posts! As part of this week's selection, you will find a post with our reflections on the trends in humanitarian thinking over the past 7 months. Post-Covid, we have seen new thinking on how different crises interact, and on the need to address racism in humanitarian action. We have also seen how migrants, displaced and refugee populations have been disproportionately affected.

This week's selection continues on these themes, with a post on the need for reforming the aid system, the impact of Covid on farmers and the risks faced by refugees in the UK. We also have new topics of gender-based violence, women and peace, and education in conflict.

We are excited to have so many devoted readers. In the coming weeks, we hope you will continue to read and contribute. We also hope you will explore the IHSA website. To help you, we will be presenting new features on the website, one each week for the following 4 weeks. This week, we highlight a video on how to search on our new database on humanitarian studies related organisations.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news, events

[Online side event on civil-military dialogue and coordination in the Central Sahel](#)

11/5/2020

On 15 October, the Government of the United Kingdom, the Norwegian Refugee Council and UNOCHA, with [...]

Sphere [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News and Blog

[New podcast launches to celebrate Start Network's Change Makers](#)

03 Nov 20 *News Article*

As part of Start Network's 10-year anniversary, we wanted to celebrate those who have made or are making a considerable impact within their community, country, region, organisation or wider system – individuals, teams or organisations that are driving positive change within the humanitarian sector.

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Brookings

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

Accessed 7 Nov 2020

Latest Research

Campaigns & Elections

[2020 exit polls show a scrambling of Democrats' and Republicans' traditional bases](#)

[William H. Frey](#)

Thursday, November 5, 2020

Report

[A historic shock to parental engagement in education: Parent perspectives in Botswana during COVID-19](#)

[Rebecca Winthrop](#), [Mahsa Ershadi](#), [Noam Angrist](#), [Efua Bortsie](#), and [Moitshepi Matsheng](#)

Monday, November 2, 2020

Campaigns & Elections

[Flipping the script, swing states' rural, suburban, and white voters could power key Biden victories](#)

[William H. Frey](#)

Saturday, October 31, 2020

Campaigns & Elections

[It's not just Trump and Biden: State and local ballot measures could have a big impact on community recovery](#)

[Amy Liu](#) and [Reniya Dinkins](#)
Saturday, October 31, 2020

Center for Global Development [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Publications, News and Events

November 5, 2020

[Mismeasuring ODA—How Risky Actually Are Aid Loans?](#)

This note explores what happens to the value of ODA loans if more realistic discount rates are chosen. In short, the value of ODA loans falls by over a half.

[Euan Ritchie](#)

CSIS [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[Geopolitics and Neglected Arctic Spaces](#)

November 2, 2020 | [Rachel Ellehuus](#), [Colin Wall](#) As the Arctic gains in geostrategic significance, the world's most powerful countries are turning northward. In this edition of Northern Connections, three experts outline how it looks when countries in the region must balance the competing interests of outside powers.

Report

[Post-pandemic Infrastructure and Digital Connectivity in the Indo-Pacific](#)

November 2, 2020 | [Daniel F. Runde](#), [Conor M. Savoy](#), [Owen Murphy](#) The Indo-Pacific region is experiencing significant challenges as a result of the pandemic. This CSIS brief highlights how U.S. leadership can collaborate with the necessary institutions and organizations to competitively assist with economic recovery and development efforts.

ODI [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[Financing the reduction of extreme poverty post-Covid-19](#)

Briefing papers | November 2020 | [Marcus Manuel](#), [Liam Carson](#), [Emma Samman](#) and [Martin Evans](#)

This briefing note is an update to ODI's research on the role of international public finance in eradicating poverty around the world.

Rand [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://www.rand.org/pubs.html>

Selected Research Reports

Report

[National Guard Youth Challenge: Program Progress in 2018–2019](#)

In the fourth annual report on the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe, a residential, quasi-military program for youth struggling in traditional high school, researchers provide information on participants who entered the program in 2018.

Nov 6, 2020

Louay Constant, Jennie W. Wenger, Linda Cottrell, Stephani L. Wrabel, Wing Yi Chan

Research Brief

[The global economic cost of COVID-19 vaccine nationalism](#)

This brief summarises the global economic implications of COVID-19 vaccine nationalism and the associated inequitable access to vaccines across countries.

Nov 5, 2020

Marco Hafner, Erez Yerushalmi, Clement Fays, Eliane Dufresne, Christian Van Stolk

Journal Article

[Lessons from Maritime Narcotics Interdiction: Interdiction in the Maritime Source, Transit, and Arrival Zones of the Western Hemisphere](#)

Sharing information with foreign partners and regional, local, and private actors has been proven to be absolutely critical to success in combating any transnational threat and preventing illegal activities from threatening the homeland and allies.

Nov 5, 2020

Aaron C. Davenport

Report

[Exploring Coherence in English Language Arts Instructional Systems in the Common Core Era](#)

Coherence among instructional components is key to changing teachers' practices in standards-based reforms. This report uses survey data to explore the coherence of school-level instructional systems in Louisiana, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

Nov 4, 2020

Morgan Polikoff, Elaine Lin Wang, Shira Korn Haderlein, Julia H. Kaufman, Ashley Woo, Daniel Silver, V. Darleen Opfer

Journal Article

[Inpatient Patient Safety Events in Vulnerable Populations: A Retrospective Cohort Study](#)

In this retrospective study we found that a commonly used method for monitoring patient safety problems, namely voluntary incident reporting, may underdetect patient safety events in hospitalized vulnerable populations.

Nov 3, 2020

Lucy Schulson, Victor Novack, Patricia H. Folcarelli, Jennifer P. Stevens, Bruce E. Landon

Journal Article

[South Korea: Capable Now, Questions for the Future](#)

South Korea is a capable US military ally. It faces a substantial military threat from North Korea, especially North Korea's WMD. South Korea's demographics are shrinking its military, challenging South Korea's ability to defend itself in the future.

Nov 3, 2020

Bruce W. Bennett

Journal Article

[Telehealth Capability Among Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facilities in Counties With High Versus Low COVID-19 Social Distancing](#)

This study aimed to quantify the availability of telehealth services at substance use treatment facilities in the U.S. at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, and determine whether telehealth is available at facilities in counties with the greatest amount of social distancing. Relatively few substance use treatment facilities offered telehealth services at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Policymakers and public health officials should do more to support facilities in offering telehealth services.

Nov 3, 2020

Jonathan Cantor, Bradley D. Stein, Brendan Saloner

Report

[Wearable Sensor Technology and Potential Uses Within Law Enforcement: Identifying High-Priority Needs to Improve Officer Safety, Health, and Wellness Using Wearable Sensor Technology](#)

Data from wearable sensor technologies (WSTs) could be used to assess and improve police officer health and well-being. A panel of experts identified ways to implement WSTs in law enforcement settings, evaluate them, and obtain buy-in from officers.

Nov 2, 2020

Sean E. Goodison, Jeremy D. Barnum, Michael J. D. Vermeer, Dulani Woods, Siara I. Sitar, Shoshana R. Shelton, Brian A. Jackson

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 7 Nov 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

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Publications

[Sine Qua Non: A Healthy Nation Requires Real Budget Constraints in All Government Health Programs](#)

Every government health program should operate under the same budget constraint that applies to other government programs. Failure to do so represents bad budgeting and economic, social, and health policy; redistributes income in perverse ways; and makes health care allocation extremely inefficient. No excuses for this failure to act—largely centered on fear of creating losers, distrust of all decisionmakers,

[C. Eugene Steuerle](#)

November 6, 2020

Brief

[An Updated Analysis of Former Vice President Biden's Tax Proposals](#)

NOTE: This is a corrected version of the analysis originally published October 15, 2020. This brief updates estimates of the revenue and distributional effects of former vice president Joe Biden's 2020 campaign tax proposals. Biden's spending proposals would also have important distributional and economic effects, but we have not estimated their cost and distributional effects. Our modeling assumptions are

[Gordon B. Mermin](#), [Janet Holtzblatt](#), [Surachai Khitatrakun](#), [Chenxi Lu](#), [Thornton Matheson](#), [Jeffrey Rohaly](#)

November 6, 2020

Brief

[Racial Health Disparities Highlight Why We Need to Address Structural Racism](#)

COVID-19 is one of the greatest health crises of our time. In April of this year, data began to reveal an alarming trend: Black families and other families of color face a much higher risk of contracting and dying from the virus. Public officials have focused on the underlying health issues disproportionately affecting these communities, such as diabetes and hypertension, as contributors to the larger impact

[Kilolo Kijakazi](#)

November 5, 2020

Testimony

The Wistar Institute [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Media

[Green Horizon Summit to Accelerate the Race to Zero, Highlight Innovative Solutions](#)

News 06 Nov 2020

[Survey Shows Rising Vaccine Hesitancy Threatening COVID-19 Recovery](#)

News 05 Nov 2020

:: A World Economic Forum/Ipsos global survey found the number of people willing to get a COVID-19 vaccine has dropped to 73%

:: These numbers are significant enough to compromise the effectiveness of a COVID-19 vaccine to manage the disease and end lockdown cycle, a health expert says

:: Vaccination intent declined in 10 of the 15 countries surveyed, most of all in China, Australia, Spain, and Brazil

:: Biggest vaccine confidence concerns are around side effects (cited by 34%) and clinical trials moving too fast (cited by another 33%).

:: Check out [the survey](#)

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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 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases and Statements

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 7 Nov 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 7 Nov 2020]

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

The Latest

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

GHIT was set up in 2012 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest Updates

[Upholding our democracy: Statement on the 2020 election](#)

The government of the United States draws its just powers from the consent of its people, expressed in free and fair elections through which we decide who will govern. This peaceful transition of power under law is a remarkable, magnificent achievement—something no nation had managed before our Revolution, something shockingly few nations have managed even...

U.S. Democracy [November 5, 2020](#)

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Stories

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

November 2, 2020 *News Release*

Wide Variations in Flu Vaccination Rates Across States Highlight Challenges as State and Local Authorities Plan to Distribute a COVID-19 Vaccine

When a COVID-19 vaccine becomes available, all or most people living in the country will need to get vaccinated in order to maximize its benefits and provide adequate immunity nationwide. That could present a daunting challenge for state and local health officials, as a new KFF analysis shows vaccination rates...

Kellogg Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

2 November 2020

"Urban Forest" at AKES school in Pakistan

Karachi, Pakistan, 2 November 2020 – In a country that ranks among the top states affected by climate-induced disasters, an urban forest inaugurated at the Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan School in Karimabad, Karachi, kicked off the process of greening Aga Khan Education Service (AKES) schools in Pakistan....

MacArthur Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News, Events, What We're Learning

No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

<https://mellon.org/>

Mellon News, Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

pen Society Foundations [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press release November 7, 2020

[A Historic Election](#)

After one of the greatest tests of America's democracy since its founding, the Open Society Foundations are redoubling our efforts to move the United States ever closer to its founding ideals.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 7 Nov 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.

SDGFunders [to 7 Nov 2020]

<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 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Opinion | 4 November 2020

[Science can give us the tools to end the pandemic, but it needs funding](#)

Jeremy Farrar, Director, Wellcome

Vaccines, tests and treatments, alongside well-equipped health systems, are the solutions to bringing the Covid-19 pandemic under control. But this won't happen without urgent investment, explains Jeremy Farrar.

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Candid [*formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar*] [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 7 Nov 2020]

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

Newsroom/Blog Posts

[New Nicaraguan Legislation Impacts Foreign Foundation Grantmaking](#)

Last updated November 2, 2020.

On Thursday October 15, 2020, The Law for the Regulation of Foreign Agents, or Ley de Regulación de Agentes Extranjeros, was enacted in Nicaragua. This law regulates foreign agents, including nonprofits that receive foreign funding.

On Tuesday October 27, 2020, another law, The Special Law on Cybercrimes or Ley Especial de Ciberdelitos, was also enacted.

Combined, these two laws will fundamentally reshape how foreign funders can support Nicaraguan nonprofits and how civic space is regulated in the country.

The Law for the Regulation of Foreign Agents

According to the Associated Press, the Foreign Agent Law “requires any Nicaraguan citizen working for ‘governments, companies, foundations or foreign organizations’ to register with the Interior Ministry, report monthly their income and spending and provide prior notice of what the foreign funds will be spent on.”

This law will require nonprofit organizations in Nicaragua who receive foreign funds to register with the government as a “foreign agent”. The term foreign agent is derived from the Foreign Agent

Registration Act (FARA), a 1938 law in the United States. The [Council's FARA resources](#) show how the law has been applied in the U.S. and how it has been adopted by other countries such as Russia.

Once registered as a foreign agent, nonprofits will be heavily impacted by the foreign agent designation. Nicaraguan nonprofits who register as foreign agents:

:: Will be unable to "finance or promote the financing of any type of organization, movement, political party, coalition or political alliance or association",

:: Will need to request prior permission to receive foreign funds,

Will be required to report monthly to the government on received foreign funds and how they will be spent,

:: Must spend foreign funds only on projects which the government has approved,

:: May not receive anonymous funds,

:: Must register their staff as foreign agents, not just the organization they serve,

:: Will face dissolution, criminal penalties, and forfeiture of assets for incompliance...

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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.

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 11, 2020 Issue 4

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 22, Number 10: E831-905 October 2020

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/caring-native-americans>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Infection Control

November 2020 Volume 48 Issue 11 p1287-1414

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

Major Articles

[What makes people intend to take protective measures against influenza? Perceived risk, efficacy, or trust in authorities](#)

Zepeng Gong, Justin Veuthey, Ziqiang Han

Published online: July 30, 2020

p1298-1304

State of the Science Review

[A scoping review on the influential cognitive constructs informing public AMR behavior compliance and the attribution of personal responsibility](#)

Hayley Fletcher-Miles, John Gammon

Published online: February 14, 2020

p1381-1386

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

November 2020 Volume 5 9 Issue 5 p621-772

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

American Journal of Public Health

November 2020 110(11)

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

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

[A Timely History: Examining the History of the World Health Organization to Frame the Future of Global Health Governance](#)

Global Health, History, Human Rights, Social Science, Health Law, Health Policy

Benjamin Mason Meier and Lawrence O. Gostin

110(11), pp. 1592–1594

GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

[Reimagining Global Health Governance in the Age of COVID-19](#)

Global Health, Government, Social Science, Health Policy

Lawrence O. Gostin, Suerie Moon and Benjamin Mason Meier

110(11), pp. 1615–1619

DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

[ENOUGH: COVID-19, Structural Racism, Police Brutality, Plutocracy, Climate Change—and Time for Health Justice, Democratic Governance, and an Equitable, Sustainable Future](#)

Other Race/Ethnicity, Socioeconomic Factors, Race/Ethnicity

Nancy Krieger

110(11), pp. 1620–1623

SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS

[Living Systematic Reviews and Other Approaches for Updating Evidence](#)

Public Health Practice, Statistics/Evaluation/Research, Community Health, Other

Statistics/Evaluation/Research

Amy Lansky and Holly R. Wethington

110(11), pp. 1687–1688

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 103, Issue 5, November 2020

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/103/5>

Perspective Piece

oa [What COVID-19 Reveals about the Neglect of WASH within Infection Prevention in Low-Resource Healthcare Facilities](#)

Joanne A. McGriff and Lindsay Denny

Pages: 1762–1764

<https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.20-0638>

Annals of Internal Medicine

3 November 2020 Volume 173, Issue 9

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology

Issue 377 - October 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 288 November 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/288/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

November 2020 - Volume 5 - 11

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/5/11>

Commentary

[The urgent need for a global commitment to protect healthcare workers](#) (5 November, 2020)

Ambrose Talisuna, Zabulon Yoti, Christopher Lee, Thomas R Frieden, Matshidiso R Moeti

Original research

[Enhancing the use of stakeholder analysis for policy implementation research: towards a novel framing and operationalised measures](#) (6 November, 2020)

Marysol Astrea Balane, Benjamin Palafox, Lia M Palileo-Villanueva, Martin McKee, Dina Balabanova

[Availability and affordability of medicines and cardiovascular outcomes in 21 high-income, middle-income and low-income countries](#) (3 November, 2020)

Clara Kayei Chow, Tu Ngoc Nguyen, Simone Marschner, Rafael Diaz, Omar Rahman, Alvaro Avezum, Scott A Lear, Koon Teo, Karen E Yeates, Fernando Lanás, Wei Li, Bo Hu, Patricio Lopez-Jaramillo,

Rajeev Gupta, Rajesh Kumar, Prem K Mony, Ahmad Bahonar, Khalid Yusoff, Rasha Khatib, Khawar Kazmi, Antonio L Dans, Katarzyna Zatonska, Khalid F Alhabib, Iolanthe Marike Kruger, Annika Rosengren, Sadi Gulec, Afzalhussein Yusufali, Jephath Chifamba, Sumathy Rangarajan, Martin McKee, Salim Yusuf

[Bringing a health systems modelling approach to complex evaluations: multicountry applications in HIV, TB and malaria](#) (3 November, 2020)

David E Phillips, Guillermo Ambrosio, Audrey Batzel, Carmen Cerezo, Herbert Duber, Adama Faye, Ibrahima Gaye, Bernardo Hernández Prado, Bethany Huntley, Edgar Kestler, Constant Kingongo, Stephen S Lim, Emily Linebarger, Jorge Matute, Godefroid Mpanya, Salva Mulongo, Caitlin O'Brien-Carelli, Erin Palmisano, Francisco Rios Casas, Katharine Shelley, Roger Tine, Daniel Whitaker, Jennifer M Ross

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[Assessment of immunization data quality of routine reports in Ho municipality of Volta region, Ghana](#)

Immunization has been an important public health intervention for preventing and reducing child morbidity and mortality over the years and coverage has increased in the past decades. However, the validity of t...

Authors: Sorengmen Amos Zieme and Livingstone Asem

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2020 20:1013

Content type: Research article

Published on: 4 November 2020

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[Effectiveness of HPV vaccination against the development of high-grade cervical lesions in young Japanese women](#)

Although more than 10 years have passed since HPV vaccination was implemented, first as an interim programme (Emergent vaccine promotion programme) in November 2010, followed by incorporating into the National...

Authors: Yuki Shiko, Ryo Konno, Hiroshi Konishi, Catherine Sauvaget, Yasuo Ohashi and Tadao Kakizoe

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2020 20:808

Content type: Research article

Published on: 5 November 2020

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[Do solidarity and reciprocity obligations compel African researchers to feedback individual genetic results in genomics research?](#)

A key ethical question in genomics research relates to whether individual genetic research results should be disclosed to research participants and if so, which results are to be disclosed, by whom and when. W...

Authors: Dimpho Ralefala, Mary Kasule, Ambroise Wonkam, Mogomotsi Matshaba and Jantina de Vries

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2020 21:112

Content type: Research article

Published on: 4 November 2020

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[Preventable medication harm across health care settings: a systematic review and meta-analysis](#)

Mitigating or reducing the risk of medication harm is a global policy priority. But evidence reflecting preventable medication harm in medical care and the factors that derive this harm remain unknown. Therefore, we aimed to quantify the prevalence, severity and type of preventable medication harm across medical care settings.,, This is the largest meta-analysis to assess preventable medication harm. We conclude that around one in 30 patients are exposed to preventable medication harm in medical care, and more than a quarter of this harm is considered severe or life-threatening. Our results support the World Health Organisation's push for the detection and mitigation of medication-related harm as being a top priority, whilst highlighting other key potential targets for remedial intervention that should be a priority focus for future research.

Authors: Alexander Hodgkinson, Natasha Tyler, Darren M. Ashcroft, Richard N. Keers, Kanza Khan, Denham Phipps, Aseel Abuzour, Peter Bower, Anthony Avery, Stephen Campbell and Maria Panagiotti

Citation: BMC Medicine 2020 18:313

Content type: Research article

Published on: 6 November 2020

[Use of wearable biometric monitoring devices to measure outcomes in randomized clinical trials: a methodological systematic review](#)

Wearable biometric monitoring devices (BMDs) have the potential to transform the conduct of randomized controlled trials (RCTs) by shifting the collection of outcome data from single measurements at predefined...

Authors: Carolina Graña Possamai, Philippe Ravaud, Lina Ghosn and Viet-Thi Tran

Citation: BMC Medicine 2020 18:310

Content type: Research article

Published on: 6 November 2020

[The practice of evaluating epidemic response in humanitarian and low-income settings: a systematic review](#)

Epidemics of infectious disease occur frequently in low-income and humanitarian settings and pose a serious threat to populations. However, relatively little is known about responses to these epidemics. Robust evaluations can generate evidence on response efforts and inform future improvements. This systematic review aimed to (i) identify epidemics reported in low-income and crisis settings, (ii) determine the frequency with which evaluations of responses to these epidemics were conducted, (iii) describe the main typologies of evaluations undertaken and (iv) identify key gaps and strengths of recent evaluation practice.

Authors: Abdihamid Warsame, Jillian Murray, Amy Gimma and Francesco Checchi
Citation: BMC Medicine 2020 18:315
Content type: Research article
Published on: 3 November 2020

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

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BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 7 Nov 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

October 2020 - Volume 10 - 11

<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/10/11>

Health policy

Original research

[Original research: Advancing a health equity agenda across multiple policy domains: a qualitative policy analysis of social, trade and welfare policy](#) (6 November, 2020)

While there is urgent need for policymaking that prioritises health equity, successful strategies for advancing such an agenda across multiple policy sectors are not well known. This study aims to address this gap by identifying successful strategies to advance a health equity agenda across multiple policy domains.

Belinda Townsend, Sharon Friel, Toby Freeman, Ashley Schram, Lyndall Strazdins, Ronald Labonte, Tamara Mackean, Fran Baum

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 98, Number 11, November 2020, 725-820

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/98/11/en/>

EDITORIALS

[Strengthening our resolve for primary health care](#)

— Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus

<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.20.279489>

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 46, Issue 6 Pages: 651-750 November 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 108 October 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/108/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

September 2020 Volume 42 Issue 9 p1625-1846, e161-e208

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 17 Issue 6, December 2020

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/17/5>

Ethics

[When and how to include vulnerable subjects in clinical trials](#)

David Wendler

First Published August 17, 2020; pp. 696–702

Abstract

There has been a good deal of discussion in the literature regarding which subjects are vulnerable in the context of clinical trials. There has been significantly less discussion regarding when and how to include vulnerable subjects in clinical trials. This lack of guidance is a particular problem for trials covered by the US regulations, which mandate strict requirements on the inclusion of three groups: pregnant women/fetuses, prisoners, and children. For the past 30 years, funders, investigators, and institutional review boards have frequently responded to these regulations by excluding pregnant women/fetuses, prisoners, and children from clinical trials. More recent work has emphasized the extent to which a default of exclusion can undermine the value of clinical trials, especially pragmatic trials. A default of exclusion also has the potential to undermine the interests of vulnerable groups, in both the short and the long term. These concerns raise the need for guidance on how to satisfy existing US regulations, while minimizing their negative impact on the value of clinical trials and the interests of vulnerable groups. The present manuscript thus describes a six-step decision procedure that institutional review boards can use to determine when and how to include vulnerable subjects in clinical trials, including pragmatic trials, that are covered by US regulations.

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 7 Nov 2020]

Commentary

[Preparing humanitarians to address ethical problems](#)

Authors: Catherine R. McGowan, Louisa Baxter, Marc DuBois, Julian Sheather, Ruma Khondaker, Rachael Cummings and Kevin Watkins

Citation: Conflict and Health 2020 14:72

Published on: 4 November 2020

Abstract

Infectious disease outbreaks represent potentially catastrophic threats to those affected by humanitarian crises. High transmissibility, crowded living conditions, widespread co-morbidities, and a lack of intensive care capacity may amplify the effects of the outbreak on already vulnerable populations and present humanitarian actors with intense ethical problems. We argue that there are significant and troubling gaps in ethical awareness at the level of humanitarian praxis. Though some ethical guidance does exist most of it is directed at public health experts and fails to speak to the day-to-day ethical challenges confronted by frontline humanitarians. In responding to infectious disease outbreaks humanitarian workers are likely to grapple with complex dilemmas opening the door to moral distress and burnout.

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 96 September 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/96/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 3, Issue 5 / October 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/3/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 8, issue 3, September 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/8-3>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

December 2020 - Volume 33 - Issue 6

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 20, Issue 3 Pages: 115-171 September 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 30, Issue 7, 2020

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

Article

[Building leadership capacity in women: an NGO in India's initiative towards women members of SHGs](#)

Venise Bryan & Salvatore Mendaglio

Pages: 839-849

Published online: 14 May 2020

Comment

[Sustainable agriculture for health and prosperity: stakeholders' roles, legitimacy and modus operandi](#)

Jon Hellin, Jean Balié, Eleanor Fisher, Genowefa Blundo-Canto, Nafees Meah, Ajay Kohli & Melanie Connor

Pages: 965-971

Published online: 11 Aug 2020

Development Policy Review

Volume 38, Issue 6 Pages: 683-827 November 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 15, Issue 7, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 14 - Issue 2 - April 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 44, Issue 4 Pages: 619-752 October 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 21 Issue 11 5 November 2020

<https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current>

Opinion 20 October 2020 *Free Access*

[If you promise, you have to deliver](#)

Frank Gannon

COVID-19 highlighted the importance of science and scientists to produce vaccines, cures and diagnostics. But scientists need to be careful not to overpromise on what they can deliver.

Science & Society 26 October 2020 Open Access

[COVID-19 and misinformation : Is censorship of social media a remedy to the spread of medical misinformation?](#)

Emilia Niemiec

Social media companies have resorted to censorship to suppress misinformation about the COVID-19 pandemic. This is not the most prudent solution though given the uncertainties about the disease.

Science & Society 5 November 2020 Open Access

[Health disinformation & social media: The crucial role of information hygiene in mitigating conspiracy theory and infodemics](#)

[David Robert Grimes](#)

Social media has been an effective vector for spreading disinformation about medicine and science. Informational hygiene can reduce the severity of falsehoods about health.

Science & Society 21 October 2020 Open Access

[COVID-19 and the boundaries of open science and innovation : Lessons of traceability from genomic data sharing and biosecurity](#)

[Jusaku Minari](#), [Go Yoshizawa](#), [Nariyoshi Shinomiya](#)

The COVID-19 crisis has further highlighted the challenges for open science and data sharing in biomedical research and the need for more traceability and transparency.

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 26, Number 11—November 2020

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

Synopses

[Measuring Timeliness of Outbreak Response in the World Health Organization African Region, 2017–2019](#) [PDF - 2.49 MB - 10 pages]

B. Impouma et al.

Large-scale protracted outbreaks can be prevented through early detection, notification, and rapid control. We assessed trends in timeliness of detecting and responding to outbreaks in the African Region reported to the World Health Organization during 2017–2019. We computed the median time to each outbreak milestone and assessed the rates of change over time using univariable and multivariable Cox proportional hazard regression analyses. We selected 296 outbreaks from 348 public reported health events and evaluated 184 for time to detection, 232 for time to notification, and 201 for time to end. Time to detection and end decreased over time, whereas time to notification increased. Multiple factors can account for these findings, including scaling up support to member states after the World Health Organization established its Health Emergencies Programme and support given to countries from donors and partners to strengthen their core capacities for meeting International Health Regulations.

Epidemics

Volume 32 September 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/32/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 148 - 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 42, Issue 6 Pages: 1-40 November–December 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/25782363/current>

Video-capture studies • Benefit sharing and genomics research

Articles

[Benefit Sharing for Human Genomics Research: Awareness and Expectations of Genomics Researchers in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Nchangwi Syntia Munung, Jantina de Vries

Pages: 14-20

First Published: 02 November 2020

ABSTRACT

Benefit sharing is an ethical issue that underscores the need to find a balance between access to genetic resources and the provision of fair benefits in exchange for access. The Human Genome Organisation (HUGO) is one of the few initiatives to have engaged with the topic of benefit sharing in human genomics. However, there is a lack of clarity on what benefit sharing entails in human genomics research and how it could be implemented in practice. This paper reports on a qualitative study that explored the views and expectations of benefit sharing by a group of genomics researchers in sub-Saharan Africa. Overall, while there was little awareness of benefit sharing among the researchers, there was support for benefit sharing in human genetics, and this was based on principles of fairness, solidarity, and reciprocity. This in-depth explorative study demonstrates the need for genomics research consortia in Africa to have open discussions on benefit sharing and to develop ethics frameworks for benefit sharing in population genomics studies in Africa. HUGO's statement on benefit sharing and the Nagoya Protocol could provide guidance.

[Loopholes in the Research Ethics System? Informed Consent Waivers in Cluster Randomized Trials with Individual-Level Intervention](#)

Alex John London, Monica Taljaard, Charles Weijer

Pages: 21-28

First Published: 02 November 2020

ABSTRACT

Individual-cluster trials randomize groups of individuals but deliver study interventions directly to individual participants. We examine three arguments that might justify the perception that the bar for a waiver of consent should be lower in such trials than for individually randomized trials. We contend that if these arguments are treated as sufficient to grant a waiver of consent, then a loophole emerges in research oversight. Such loopholes are morally hazardous for study participants, the integrity of science, and public trust in the research enterprise. We conclude by articulating the standards that research ethics committees should use to evaluate requests for waivers of consent in individual-cluster trials.

Ethics & International Affairs

Fall 2020 (34.3) October 2020

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2020/summer-2020-34-2/>

The editors of *Ethics & International Affairs* are pleased to present the Fall 2020 issue of the journal! This Special Issue of the journal features a collection of essays organized and guest edited by Margaret P. Karns on the **seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations**. The collection contains contributions from David Malone and Adam Day, Sophie Harman, Ellen J. Ravndal, Ramesh Thakur, Susanna P. Campbell, Devaki Jain, Bertrand Ramcharan, Maria Ivanova, and Margaret P. Karns, Kirsten Haack, and Jean-Pierre Murray. Additionally, the issue includes an article by Jack McDonald on information, privacy, and just war theory and an essay by Anthony F. Lang, Jr. on constructing universal values. It also contains a review essay by Sarah C. Goff on freedom and justice in trade governance, and book reviews by Michael Blake, Elizabeth Kahn, Jamie Mayerfeld, and John Williams. [Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 30, Issue 5, October 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/30/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy

Volume 96, October 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/96/suppl/C>

Special Issue on Sustainable Food Systems for Healthy Diets in Europe and Central Asia;

Guest Editors: Mirjana Gurinovic and Eleonora Dupouy

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 12, issue 5, October 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/12-5>

Genebanks and Food Security in a Changing Agriculture

[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 65 November 2020

<https://www.fmreview.org/issue65>

Recognising refugees

FMR issue 65's main feature on Recognising refugees explores shortcomings, challenges and innovations (and their consequences for refugees/asylum seekers) in refugee status determination processes worldwide. A second feature offers reflections on lessons and good practice emerging from the 2018–20 GP20 Plan of Action for IDPs.

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Gates Open Research

<https://gatesopenresearch.org/browse/articles>

[Accessed 7 Nov 2020]

Research Article metrics AWAITING PEER REVIEW

[Project SEARCH \(Scanning EARs for Child Health\): validating an ear biometric tool for patient identification in Zambia](#) [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

Lauren Etter, Alinani Simukanga, Wenda Qin, Rachel Pieciak, Lawrence Mwananyanda, Margrit Betke, Jackson Phiri, Caroline Carbo, Arnold Mudukula, Chris Gill

Peer Reviewers Invited

Funders: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health

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Abstract

Patient identification in low- to middle-income countries is one of the most pressing public health challenges of our day. Given the ubiquity of mobile phones, their use for health-care coupled with a biometric identification method, present a unique opportunity to address this challenge. Our research proposes an Android-based solution of an ear biometric tool for reliable identification. Unlike many popular biometric approaches (e.g., fingerprints, irises, facial recognition), ears are noninvasive and easily accessible on individuals across a lifespan. Our ear biometric tool uses a combination of hardware and software to identify a person using an image of their ear. The hardware supports an image capturing process that reduces undesired variability. The software uses a pattern recognition algorithm to transform an image of the ear into a unique identifier. We created three cross-sectional datasets of ear images, each increasing in complexity, with the final dataset representing our target use-case population of Zambian infants (N=224, aged 6days-6months). Using these datasets, we conducted a series of validation experiments, which informed iterative improvements to the system. Results of the improved system, which yielded high recognition rates across the three datasets, demonstrate the feasibility of an Android ear biometric tool as a solution to the persisting patient identification challenge.

Genome Medicine

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

[Accessed 7 Nov 2020]

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Geoheritage

Volume 12, issue 4, December 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/12-4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health Action

Volume 12, 2019 Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/12/sup1?nav=toCList>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 8, No. 3 October 01, 2020

<http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health

Volume 15, 2020 Issue 12

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

Report

[Political distrust and the spread of COVID-19 in Nigeria](#)

While studies have explored how health sector corruption, weak healthcare system, large-scale immune compromised population, misinformation and prevalence of highly congested slums contribute to the spread of COVID-19 in Nigeria, they have glossed over the impact of political distrust on the spread of the virus. This study explores the impact of political distrust on the spread of COVID-19 pandemic in Nigeria

[Christian C. Ezeibe](#), [Chukwudi Ilo](#), [Ezinwanne N. Ezeibe](#), [Chika N. Oguonu](#), [Nnamdi A. Nwankwo](#), [Chukwuedozie K. Ajaero](#) & [Nnabuike Osadebe](#)

Pages: 1753-1766

Published online: 06 Oct 2020

Article

[Medicines in Western Sahara Refugee Camps in Tindouf: Prescriptions and self-medication mixing in the drawer](#)

[Bruna Tresà Sanchez-Lacorte](#) & [Albert Figueras](#)

Pages: 1871-1877

Published online: 06 Jun 2020

Globalization and Health

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

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Health Affairs

Vol. 39, No. 10 October 2020

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

Children's Health

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 15 - Issue 4 - October 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 35, Issue 8, October 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/35/8>

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Health Research Policy and Systems

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

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Human Gene Therapy

Volume 31, Issue 19-20 / October 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/31/19-20>

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Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 42, Number 3, August 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 78, October 2020

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/inclusion-of-persons-with-disabilities-in-humanitarian-action-what-now/>

[Disability inclusion in humanitarian action](#)

by HPN October 2020

The theme of this edition of Humanitarian Exchange, co-edited with Sherin Alsheikh Ahmed from Islamic Relief Worldwide, is disability inclusion in humanitarian action. Persons with disabilities are not only disproportionately impacted by conflicts, disasters and other emergencies, but also face barriers to accessing humanitarian assistance. At the same time, global commitments and standards and the IASC Guidelines on the inclusion of persons with disabilities in humanitarian action all emphasise how persons with disabilities are also active agents of change. Disability and age-focused organisations have

led on testing and demonstrating how inclusion can be done better. Yet despite this progress, challenges to effective inclusion remain.

As Kirstin Lange notes in the lead article, chief among these challenges is humanitarian agencies' lack of engagement with organisations of persons with disabilities. Simone Bula, Elizabeth Morgan and Teresa Thomson look at disability inclusion in humanitarian response in the Pacific, and Kathy Al Jubeh and Alradi Abdalla argue for a 'participation revolution', building on learning from the gender movement. Tchaurea Fleury and Sulayman AbdulMumuni Ujah outline how the Bridge Article 11 training initiative is encouraging constructive exchange between humanitarian and disability actors. The lack of good, disaggregated data is highlighted by Sarah Collinson; Frances Hill, Jim Cranshaw and Carys Hughes emphasise the need for training resources in local languages and accessible formats; and Sophie Van Eetvelt and colleagues report on a review of the evidence on inclusion of people with disabilities and older people.

Rebecca Molyneux and co-authors analyse the findings of a review of a DFID programme in north-east Nigeria, while Carolin Funke highlights the importance of strategic partnerships between disability-focused organisations, drawing on her research in Cox's Bazar. Sherin Alsheikh Ahmed describes Islamic Relief Worldwide's approach to mainstreaming protection and inclusion, while Pauline Thivillier and Valentina Shafina outline IRC's Client Responsive Programming. The edition ends with reflections by Mirela Turcanu and Yves Ngunzi Kahashi on CAFOD's SADI approach.

Infectious Agents and Cancer

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

[Accessed 7 Nov 2020]

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Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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

[Accessed 7 Nov 2020]

[**A prolonged cholera outbreak caused by drinking contaminated stream water, Kyangwali refugee settlement, Hoima District, Western Uganda: 2018**](#)

Authors: Fred Monje, Alex Rioplexus Ario, Angella Musewa, Kenneth Bainomugisha, Bernadette Basuta Mirembe, Dativa Maria Aliddeki, Daniel Eurien, Godfrey Nsereko, Carol Nanziri, Esther Kisaakye, Vivian Ntono, Benon Kwesiga, Daniel Kadobera, Lilian Bulage, Godfrey Bwire, Patrick Tusiime...

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International Health

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International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 9 (2020): Issue 2 (Oct 2020)

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[Connecting the Right of Collective Legal Capacity by Indigenous Peoples with the Right of Individual Legal Capacity by Persons with Disabilities](#)

By: [Matthew S Smith](#) and [Michael Ashley Stein](#)

Pages: 147–183

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

This Article explores the juridical implications of indigenous peoples' right to legal capacity in the Inter-American system for cases involving the same right of persons with disabilities within that system and beyond. It explicates the Inter-American Court of Human Rights' (IACtHR) three-factor test in *Saramaka People v Suriname* and analogizes its reasoning with rationales underpinning the right to legal capacity under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (crpd). It then demonstrates how the IACtHR can apply a Saramaka-style test to future cases brought by persons with disabilities challenging legal capacity restrictions. The Article further argues that the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) should also apply this rule to align its legal capacity jurisprudence with the crpd's mandates. Finally, it suggests that the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (crpd Committee) ought to consider this rule when resolving individual communications and thereby guide courts.

[Non-refoulement Principle and Its Application to Refugees and Asylum Seekers Who Have Committed Offences in Africa](#)

By: [Jamil Ddamulira Mujuzi](#)

Pages: 213–251

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

The 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1969 African Union Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa have been ratified by many African States. These treaties deal with, inter alia, the principle of non-refoulement generally and the protection of asylum seekers or refugees convicted of offences. Some States in Eastern and Southern Africa have also enacted domestic legislation giving effect to these treaties and the principle of non-refoulement is provided for in most of these pieces of legislation, albeit sometimes in different ways. This article assesses legislation and case law from Eastern and Southern African States to demonstrate how courts have dealt with the principle of non-refoulement in the context of refugees and/or asylum seekers who have been convicted of offences. It also considers relevant legislation and case law prohibiting extradition if there are grounds to believe that the extradited person could be subjected to torture in a receiving State.

[The Protection of Non-nationals' Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in un Human Rights Treaties](#)

By: [Claire Lougarre](#)

Pages: 252–290

Publication Date: 24 Oct 2020

Abstract

The decade of austerity policies resulting from the 2008 economic crisis significantly impeded the realisation of economic, social and cultural (esc) rights worldwide, especially for non-nationals who became targets of populist nationalist ideologies. The Coronavirus disease (covid-19) pandemic and its subsequent recession have heightened existing levels of inequalities, putting non-nationals' access to

health, housing, food, water and work under unprecedented strains. It is thus, crucial to analyse the extent to which un human rights treaties recognise non-nationals' esc rights, in order to assess their ability to offer protection in this context. This article sheds light on the ambiguities of key un human rights treaties in this regard. It then analyses the attempts of relevant un treaty bodies to circumvent such issues; and finally suggests legal paths allowing un treaty bodies to further assert their protection of non-nationals' esc rights during the covid-19 pandemic.

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

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 7, No 10 (2020) October 2020

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/67>

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 47 August 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/47/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 11, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 13 Issue 4 2020

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/13/iss/4>

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International Journal of Infectious Diseases

September 2020 Volume 98, p1-502

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(20\)X0010-5](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(20)X0010-5)

[Reviewed earlier]

International Migration Review

Volume 54 Issue 3, September 2020

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

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

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

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

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA

November 3, 2020, Vol 324, No. 17, Pages 1699-1798

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

Viewpoint

[Protecting the Editorial Independence of the CDC From Politics](#)

Sonja A. Rasmussen, MD, MS; John W. Ward, MD; Richard A. Goodman, MD, MPH

JAMA. 2020;324(17):1729-1730. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.19646

Beginning September 11, 2020, media sources reported that political appointees within the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) have demanded the ability to review and revise scientific reports on the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic published in *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*, published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).^{1,2} According to these sources, reviews by political appointees have sometimes led to delays in publication and changes in language in certain reports. Whether this is true is unclear, but these reports are consistent with other reports of the actions of political appointees and their attempts to influence the scientific process.³ As former editors in chief of *MMWR*, we believe these media reports raise serious concerns that in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, scientific reports published in *MMWR* might have been delayed or altered for political purposes. These concerns threaten the credibility of *MMWR*, an essential source of information to help counteract the pandemic.

JAMA Network

[COVID-19 Update November 7, 2020](#)

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

JAMA Pediatrics

November 2020, Vol 174, No. 11, Pages 1017-1124

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

Review

[HIV Preexposure Prophylaxis Among Adolescents in the USA Review](#)

Hasiya Yusuf, MBBS, MPH; Errol Fields, MD, PhD, MPH; Renata Arrington-Sanders, MD, MPH, ScM; et al.

JAMA Pediatr. 2020;174(11):1102-1108. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2020.0824

This narrative review assesses the use of preexposure prophylaxis in adolescents of sexual and gender minority groups who are at risk for HIV acquisition.

JBI Evidence Synthesis

October 2020 - Volume 18 - Issue 10

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

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Journal of Adolescent Health

October 2020 Volume 67, Issue 4, p461-622

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[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

Vol. 69 (2020)

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

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Journal of Community Health

Volume 45, issue 5, October 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/45-5>

Articles

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Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 45 Pages 1-392 (September–October 2020)

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Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

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Volume 147 November 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/147/suppl/C>
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Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 15 Issue 5, December 2020

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

Motives and Willingness for Research Participation

[Communities and Clinical Trials: A Case Study from the RTS,S Malaria Vaccine Trials in Eastern Africa](#)

Machteld Wyss-van den Berg, Bernhards Ogutu, Nelson K. Sewankambo, Sonja Merten, Nikola Biller-Andorno, Marcel Tanner

First Published August 26, 2020; pp. 465–477

[Book Review: Health research ethics: Safeguarding the interests of research participants](#)

Ali Joseph

First Published September 18, 2020; pp. 494–495

IRB/REC Processes

[Epistemic Strategies in Ethical Review: REB Members' Experiences of Assessing Probable Impacts of Research for Human Subjects](#)

Susan M. Cox, Michael McDonald, Anne Townsend

First Published September 15, 2019; pp. 383–395

[Assessing the Quality and Performance of Institutional Review Boards: Levels of Initial Reviews](#)

Min-Fu Tsan, Bruce Ling, Ulrike Feske, Susan Zickmund, Roslyn Stone, Ali Sonel, Robert M. Arnold, Michael Fine, Daniel E. Hall

First Published September 11, 2020; pp. 407–414

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

November 2020 - Volume 74 - 11

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/74/11>

Essay

[The COVID-19 pandemic and health inequalities](#) (13 June, 2020) Free

Clare Bamba, Ryan Riordan, John Ford, Fiona Matthews

Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

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

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 16, Issue 2, 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 3, August 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/42831>

[Reviewed earlier]

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

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Volume 22, issue 5, October 2020

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Volume 18, 2020_ Issue 4

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Journal of International Development

Volume 32, Issue 8 Pages: 1229-1378 November 2020

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

Research Articles

Free Access

[**Collecting Data During an Epidemic: A Novel Mobile Phone Research Method**](#)

[Elisa M. Maffioli](#)

Pages: 1231-1255
First Published: 09 September 2020

Journal of Medical Ethics

November 2020 - Volume 46 - 11
<http://jme.bmj.com/content/current>
Guest editorial

[COVID-19 and beyond: the ethical challenges of resetting health services during and after public health emergencies](#) (16 October, 2020)

Paul Baines, Heather Draper, Anna Chiumento, Sara Fovargue, Lucy Frith

Original research

[Uncovering social structures and informational prejudices to reduce inequity in delivery and uptake of new molecular technologies](#)

Sara Filoche¹, et al

Abstract

Advances in molecular technologies have the potential to help remedy health inequities through earlier detection and prevention; if, however, their delivery and uptake (and therefore any benefits associated with such testing) are not more carefully considered, there is a very real risk that existing inequities in access and use will be further exacerbated. We argue this risk relates to the way that information and knowledge about the technology is both acquired and shared, or not, between health practitioners and their patients.

Journal of Operations Management

Volume 66, Issue 7-8 Pages: 751-1023 October-December 2020

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

Special Issue: Innovation in Supply Networks

EDITORIAL Free Access

[Innovation in supply networks—A research framework and roadmap](#)

Subodha Kumar, Sriram Narayanan, Fabrizio Salvador

Pages: 754-767

First Published: 23 October 2020

Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 7, Issue 4 (2020)

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Journal of Pediatrics

November 2020 Volume 226 p1-322

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Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice

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Journal of Public Health Management & Practice

November/December 2020 - Volume 26 - Issue 6

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Journal of Public Health Policy

Volume 41, Issue 3, September 2020

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Journal of Refugee & Global Health

Volume 3, Issue 1 (2020)

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

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Journal of the Royal Society – Interface

November 2020 Volume 17 Issue 172

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

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Journal of Travel Medicine

Volume 27, Issue 6, August 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/27/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

The Lancet

Nov 07, 2020 Volume 396 Number 10261 p1463-1534, e73-e82

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

Editorial

[COVID-19 in Latin America: a humanitarian crisis](#)

The Lancet

Latin America has some of the highest COVID-19 death rates in the world. Why? For outsiders, much of the discussion of COVID-19 in Latin America has focused on Brazil and the errors of President Jair Bolsonaro. But the region as a whole is facing a humanitarian crisis borne out of political instability, corruption, social unrest, fragile health systems, and perhaps most importantly, longstanding and pervasive inequality—in income, health care, and education—which has been woven into the social and economic fabric of the region...

Comment

[First human efficacy study of a plant-derived influenza vaccine](#)

John S Tregoning

[Offline: Managing the COVID-19 vaccine infodemic](#)

Richard Horton

Articles

[Efficacy, immunogenicity, and safety of a plant-derived, quadrivalent, virus-like particle influenza vaccine in adults \(18–64 years\) and older adults \(≥65 years\): two multicentre, randomised phase 3 trials](#)

Brian J Ward, et al

Health Policy

[Lessons learnt from easing COVID-19 restrictions: an analysis of countries and regions in Asia Pacific and Europe](#)

Emeline Han, et al

Summary

The COVID-19 pandemic is an unprecedented global crisis. Many countries have implemented restrictions on population movement to slow the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 and prevent health systems from becoming overwhelmed; some have instituted full or partial lockdowns. However, lockdowns and other extreme restrictions cannot be sustained for the long term in the hope that there will be an effective vaccine or treatment for COVID-19. Governments worldwide now face the common challenge of easing lockdowns and restrictions while balancing various health, social, and economic concerns. To facilitate cross-country learning, this Health Policy paper uses an adapted framework to examine the approaches taken by nine high-income countries and regions that have started to ease COVID-19 restrictions: five in the Asia Pacific region (ie, Hong Kong [Special Administrative Region], Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, and South Korea) and four in Europe (ie, Germany, Norway, Spain, and the UK). This comparative analysis presents important lessons to be learnt from the experiences of these countries and regions. Although the future of the virus is unknown at present, countries should continue to share their experiences, shield populations who are at risk, and suppress transmission to save lives.

The Lancet Child & Adolescent Health

Nov 2020 Volume 4 Number 11 p795-852, e40-e44

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[Reviewed earlier]

Lancet Digital Health

Nov 2020 Volume 2 Number 11 e561-e628

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

Comment

[The International Hundred Thousand Plus Cohort Consortium: integrating large-scale cohorts to address global scientific challenges](#)

Teri A Manolio, Peter Goodhand, Geoffrey Ginsburg

...Leaders of large-scale cohorts, with support from the National Institutes of Health and the Wellcome Trust, and in collaboration with the Global Alliance for Genomics and Health (GA4GH) and the Global Genomic Medicine Collaborative (G2MC), have come together to form the International Hundred Thousand Plus Cohort Consortium (IHCC). As of May, 2020, IHCC comprises 103 cohorts in 43 countries involving nearly 50 million participants (figure, appendix). Collaborative efforts to date have focused on developing a queryable cohort registry and data sharing platform, identifying and piloting high-priority scientific projects, and developing a charter and governance structure to foster collaborations...

Lancet Global Health

Nov 2020 Volume 8 Number 11 e1352-e1443

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

Comment

[COVID-19 vaccination: returning to WHO's Health For All](#)

Irene Torres, et al.

[Geospatial analysis: a new frontier in humanitarian health research?](#)

Samer Jabbour, Bothaina Attal

Articles

[Projected health-care resource needs for an effective response to COVID-19 in 73 low-income and middle-income countries: a modelling study](#)

Tessa Tan-Torres Edejer, et al.

Since WHO declared the COVID-19 pandemic a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, more than 20 million cases have been reported, as of Aug 24, 2020. This study aimed to identify what the additional health-care costs of a strategic preparedness and response plan (SPRP) would be if current transmission levels are maintained in a status quo scenario, or under scenarios where transmission is increased or decreased by 50%.

[Estimating access to health care in Yemen, a complex humanitarian emergency setting: a descriptive applied geospatial analysis](#)

Kent Garber, et al

... In conflict settings, data to guide humanitarian and development responses are often scarce. Although geospatial analyses have been used to estimate health-care access in many countries, such techniques have not been widely applied to inform real-time operations in protracted health emergencies. Doing so could provide a more robust approach for identifying and prioritising populations in need, targeting assistance, and assessing impact. We aimed to use geospatial analyses to overcome such data gaps in Yemen, the site of one of the world's worst ongoing humanitarian crises....

Lancet Infectious Diseases

Nov 2020 Volume 20 Number 11 p1217-1348, e275-e297

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

Editorial

[The intersection of COVID-19 and mental health](#)

The Lancet Infectious Diseases

Articles

[Safety and immunogenicity of the live attenuated intranasal pertussis vaccine BPZE1: a phase 1b, double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled dose-escalation study](#)

Maja Jahnmatz, and the BPZE1 study team

[Clinical and epidemiological performance of WHO Ebola case definitions: a systematic review and meta-analysis](#)

Grazia Caleo, et al

Lancet Public Health

Nov 2020 Volume 5 Number 11 e568-e627

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

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[COVID-19 and mass incarceration: a call for urgent action](#)

Alexandria Macmadu, et al

Viewpoint

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World View | 03 November 2020

[Young scientists in Malaysia have made integrity training fun and relevant](#)

Bottom-up workshops have laid a foundation for responsible research, but institutions must add structural support.

De-Ming Chau

News & Views | 14 October 2020

[Satellites could soon map every tree on Earth](#)

An analysis of satellite images has pinpointed individual tree canopies over a large area of West Africa. The data suggest that it will soon be possible, with certain limitations, to map the location and size of every tree worldwide.

Niall P. Hanan & Julius Y. Anchang

... A previous estimate² of the total number of trees on a global scale was obtained using field data from approximately 430,000 forest plots around the world. The authors of that study used statistical regression models to estimate tree density between the field sites, on the basis of vegetation type and climate. Their analysis suggested that there are approximately three trillion trees globally. However, this approach to tree-density estimation has inherent errors and uncertainties, particularly for drylands, for which relatively few field measurements are available to calibrate the models...

Article | 14 October 2020

[An unexpectedly large count of trees in the West African Sahara and Sahel](#)

Deep learning was used to map the crown sizes of each tree in the West African Sahara, Sahel and sub-humid zone using submetre-resolution satellite imagery, revealing a relatively high density of trees in arid areas.

Martin Brandt, Compton J. Tucker[...] & Rasmus Fensholt

Abstract

A large proportion of dryland trees and shrubs (hereafter referred to collectively as trees) grow in isolation, without canopy closure. These non-forest trees have a crucial role in biodiversity, and provide ecosystem services such as carbon storage, food resources and shelter for humans and animals^{1,2}. However, most public interest relating to trees is devoted to forests, and trees outside of forests are not well-documented³. Here we map the crown size of each tree more than 3 m² in size over a land area that spans 1.3 million km² in the West African Sahara, Sahel and sub-humid zone, using submetre-resolution satellite imagery and deep learning⁴. We detected over 1.8 billion individual trees (13.4 trees per hectare), with a median crown size of 12 m², along a rainfall gradient from 0 to 1,000 mm per year. The canopy cover increases from 0.1% (0.7 trees per hectare) in hyper-arid areas, through 1.6% (9.9 trees per hectare) in arid and 5.6% (30.1 trees per hectare) in semi-arid zones, to 13.3% (47 trees per hectare) in sub-humid areas. Although the overall canopy cover is low, the relatively high density of isolated trees challenges prevailing narratives about dryland desertification^{5,6,7}, and even the desert shows a surprisingly high tree density. Our assessment suggests a way to monitor trees outside of forests globally, and to explore their role in mitigating degradation, climate change and poverty.

Nature Biotechnology

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Editorial | 27 October 2020

Preparing for the vaccine

Clear and consistent messaging on COVID-19 vaccine rollout will be key to building public trust and managing expectations.

As approval of the first COVID-19 vaccine draws closer, attention is shifting to how to manufacture and distribute sufficient shots to supply national or global immunization programs. The challenge is unprecedented: to make enough vaccine not for a few million people, but for hundreds of millions of people. Ironically, the RNA and viral vector vaccines that are furthest along in clinical development are the least suitable for large-scale manufacture, storage and distribution. Until conventional vaccines become available that can capitalize on the existing immunization and distribution infrastructure, it seems likely that a large proportion of the world's population will remain unvaccinated in 2021. In this context, clear and consistent public health communication to manage expectations about vaccine distribution, who gets the vaccine first, and full transparency as to the benefits as well as the risks will be key to building trust.

Thus far, public health messaging during the epidemic has been anything but clear and consistent.

Part of the problem is that new research has regularly upended expert advice, with inconsistent messaging on masks, testing and social distancing that has confused public understanding and compliance.

Vaccines represent an intervention where effective and consistent messaging will be critical to success because in recent decades scientific consensus on their value has been recast as controversy (or even conspiracy) in the public sphere. Social media have reinforced vaccine hesitancy, with religious leaders, family members or other trusted sources often perpetuating myths and misinformation.

According to a September report from Pew Research, only 51% of US adults say they definitely or probably would get vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine — a 21% percentage point drop from May. A survey of Europeans by the Vaccine Confidence Project found that 20% of Swiss and 18% of French respondents would refuse a vaccine; similarly, a recent YouGov survey found that one in six British adults would definitely or probably turn down a shot.

But ironically, it may be the unrealistic expectations of vaccine proponents that turns out to be as much as a problem: 55% of them would, apparently, be somewhat dissuaded if the vaccine was “only” 60% effective. And yet a vaccine that halves the risk of infection for an individual would be sufficient for a US Food and Drug Administration Emergency Use Authorization (EUA). For a public that expected 100% efficacy, 50% might feel like failure.

For SARS-CoV-2, many unanswered questions remain about natural immunity to the virus, let alone the nature and length of immune protection afforded by a vaccine. As long as doubts remain about the frequency of repeated infections, the capacity of reinfected individuals to spread or shed virus as well as develop symptomatic or even serious disease, and the length of protection afforded by neutralizing antibody titers, doubts will linger about COVID-19 vaccines. If immunized individuals still have to wear masks, vaccine uptake will be further disincentivized.

For those vaccines that receive an EUA, the coming challenge will be to meet demand. The United States, Britain, France and Germany have already grabbed hundreds of millions of doses via advance purchase agreements, but COVAX — a global initiative coordinated by Gavi, the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Initiative (CEPI) and the World Health Organization, which now includes China as well as another 170 nations — aims to obtain two billion doses of vaccines by the end of 2021 for low-to-middle income countries.

A CEPI survey estimates that global manufacturing capacity could produce two to four billion doses next year. As different facilities ramp up production, supply-chain bottlenecks for glass vials, pressure on fill and finish facilities and shortages of materials like bioreactors or adjuvants are likely to arise.

The public may also be surprised to find that all vaccines are not equal. It may not realize that RNA and viral vector vaccines — those most advanced in clinical development — are the least suitable for large-scale manufacture, storage and distribution and that they carry a greater technology risk. As no one has ever manufactured RNA vaccines with liposomal nanoparticles at this scale before — nor a viral vector vaccine — rollout might hit snags that tried and tested platforms (like inactivated or recombinant subunit vaccines) can avoid. The RNA vaccines also have onerous storage requirements (Pfizer/BioNtech's product must be kept at $-70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, Moderna's at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$). They are unlikely to be suitable for doctor's offices or pharmacies in developed nations, let alone in developing countries. Why not get that message out there now to offset disappointment later?

Perhaps the trickiest dilemma, however, will be prioritizing who receives the vaccine first. A recent US National Academy of Medicine report suggests that personal vulnerabilities (comorbidities and age) and social vulnerabilities (high-risk work settings, use of public transportation, and crowding or multiple generations at home) should determine allotment. Vaccine distribution would proceed in distinct phases: first, healthcare workers, care workers, first responders and those with pre-existing conditions; then essential workers, school teachers and people in prison (because of close quarters); and then everyone else. This is likely to be controversial. During the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic, for example, an association of bread makers argued that its workers were essential. We should expect wrangling about who qualifies to be in what phase.

The global distribution of coronavirus vaccines will be the defining public health challenge of 2021. There will be snafus. There will be delays. But whatever happens, an early and coordinated health communication campaign on various media is needed to drive uptake in vulnerable groups and engage diverse stakeholders in ethnic communities. Vaccines should be positioned alongside hand-washing, social distancing, masking and isolation as part of the pandemic solution, not a panacea to immediately end it. Governments need to start informing the public now by being transparent and open about where vaccines actually are — and effectively communicating their plans for distributing them.

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Patient-partnered clinical research

The path to productive collaboration between researchers and patients is not always easy, with language differences, knowledge gaps and power dynamics setting considerable barriers along the way. In this issue, we explore how patient- and community-led research is achievable if both sides make it a priority. The cover, designed by illustrator Sarah Lippett, a person living with a rare disease who explores her diagnostic odyssey in her work, shows how effective and equitable patient–researcher collaboration can be transformative to research.

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[African ancient DNA research requires robust ethics and permission protocols](#)

In Africa, there is a disparity in ethics and permission requirements for molecular research on samples from living people versus ancient DNA. At the precipice of the archaeogenomics revolution, heritage agencies require updated policies and procedures for genetic and genomic research on African ancient DNA.

Victoria E. Gibbon

Nature Reviews Immunology

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Review Article | 20 May 2020

[A guide to cancer immunotherapy: from T cell basic science to clinical practice](#)

T cells play a central role in immune responses to cancer. In this guide to cancer immunotherapy, the authors provide a comprehensive historical and biological perspective on cancer immunotherapy, with a focus on current and emerging therapeutic approaches that harness T cells to fight cancer.

Alex D. Waldman, Jill M. Fritz & Michael J. Lenardo

Nature Reviews Drug Discovery

Volume 19 Issue 11, November 2020

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Comment | 29 April 2020

[What makes a drug discovery consortium successful?](#)

Consortia are enabling drug discovery in areas that individual organizations are unable to support alone because of the high risk or the need to pool information. This article discusses desirable features that can underpin the success of such consortia.

Peter B. Simpson & Graeme F. Wilkinson

Review Article / 05 October 2020

Modulating gene regulation to treat genetic disorders

cis-Regulation therapy (CRT) — modifying the activity of gene-regulatory elements — is emerging as a potential approach to treat genetic diseases. Here, Matharu and Ahituv assess emerging CRT technologies and present proof-of-concept studies in cell and animal models. Key factors to be considered for the translation of CRT into the clinic are discussed.

Navneet Matharu & Nadav Ahituv

New England Journal of Medicine

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Perspective

Emergency Use Authorization of Covid Vaccines — Safety and Efficacy Follow-up Considerations*P.R. Krause and M.F. Gruber*

... Use of an investigational vaccine under an EUA would not be subject to the usual informed consent requirements for clinical investigations; nevertheless, vaccine recipients will be provided a fact sheet that describes the investigational nature of the product, the known and potential benefits and risks, available alternatives, and the option to refuse vaccination. To minimize the risk that use of a vaccine under an EUA will interfere with long-term assessment of safety and efficacy in ongoing trials, it will be essential to continue to gather data about the vaccine even after it is made available under the EUA. Continued follow-up of clinical trial participants to further refine efficacy estimates, further evaluate the potential for enhanced disease and waning of immunity, and obtain additional active safety follow-up will be essential in order to ensure public confidence in a broadly administered vaccine. The quality of the data available to inform ongoing assessment of a vaccine's benefits and risks will depend on the ability to continue evaluating the vaccine against a placebo comparator in clinical trials for as long as feasible. Moreover, evaluation of other potentially superior vaccines will depend on the ability to continue to maintain placebo controls in ongoing trials. Thus, issuance of an EUA should not, in and of itself, require unblinding of a Covid-19 vaccine trial and immediate vaccination of placebo recipients, since doing so may jeopardize approval of these products.

In setting criteria for EUAs, regulators determine the amount of data that could support a positive benefit–risk assessment, providing people who wish to receive an investigational vaccine the opportunity to realize that benefit while also providing confidence that a vaccine is unlikely to cause net harm when used in this manner.

From a safety perspective, a 2-month median follow-up (meaning that at least half of vaccine recipients in clinical trials have at least 2 months of follow-up) after completion of the full vaccination regimen will allow identification of potential adverse events that were not apparent in the immediate postvaccination period and will also provide greater confidence in their absence, if none are observed...

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Ethics Rounds

[COVID-19 Trial Enrollment for Those Who Cannot Consent: Ethical Challenges Posed by a Pandemic](#)

Samantha A. House, Catherine D. Shubkin, Tim Lahey, Jeffrey P. Brosco, John Lantos

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Abstract

The current coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has triggered an intense global research effort to inform the life-saving work of frontline clinicians who need reliable information as soon as possible. Yet research done in pressured circumstances can lead to ethical dilemmas, especially for vulnerable research subjects. We present the case of a child with neurocognitive impairment who is diagnosed with COVID-19 infection after presenting with fever and a seizure. The child lives in a group home and is in the custody of the state; her parents lost parental rights many years ago. Some members of the health care team want to enroll her in a randomized clinical trial evaluating an experimental treatment of COVID-19. For minor patients to enroll in this clinical trial, the institutional review board requires assent of patients and consent of guardians. An ethics consult is called to help identify relevant concerns in enrollment. In the accompanying case discussion, we address historical perspectives on research involving people with disabilities; proper management of research participation for people with disabilities including consent by proxy, therapeutic misconception, and other threats to the ethical validity of clinical trials; and the potentially conflicting obligations of researchers and clinicians.

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[Revisiting child and adolescent health in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals](#)

Zulfiqar A. Bhutta, Kathryn M. Yount, Quique Bassat, Artur A. Arikainen

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[Excerpt]

...As we examine the situation more than 5 years into the SDGs, several concerns emerge. Despite progress, the field remains fragmented, with limited actions in countries to develop integrated strategies for reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH), or inclusion of adolescent health within national plans [5]. Work on the drivers of adolescent health, well being, and empowerment is underway but has yet to translate into a reasonable global strategy. This lag stems from complex, multilevel social influences during adolescence [6], insufficient disaggregation of data on adolescents, suboptimal measurement and a lack of well-defined indicators [7–9], and limited evidence on the differential impacts of social policies and programs [8] within adolescence and between adolescence and adulthood. Within health systems, many nutrition programs remain poorly integrated with other RMNCH programs and few have substantive links with sectors outside health. With the unfinished agenda for maternal, newborn and child deaths, rigorous studies to address mechanisms and hitherto unrecognized causes of excess mortality are just beginning to yield results, albeit with older pediatric age groups remaining significantly understudied, even at the simplest descriptive level [5]. Effort is limited to bring mental-health programming to women and children, especially in conflict settings or emergencies such as the COVID-19 pandemic. These silos in research, planning and policy, and service delivery apply equally to other sectors, and to multi-sectoral planning and implementation at country level. To address the SDGs, we must consider life in the 21st century—including the disruptions of technological change, economic shocks, climate change, and conflict and security...

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Viewpoints

[Informing children citizens efficiently to better engage them in the fight against COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Jean-Eric Ghia, Sophie Gaulin, Laure Ghia, Laure Garancher, Claude Flamand

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Abstract

Since the beginning of the year, the world's attention has rightly been focused on the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and the implementation of drastic mitigation strategies to limit disease transmission. However, public health information campaigns tailored to children are very rare. Now more than ever, at a time when some governments are taking populations out of lockdown and youth are returning to schools, children around the world need to fully grasp the modes of transmission of the disease, the health risks, the scientific notions of the immune system, the value of barrier measures, and the progress of scientific research. In the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, comics can be very useful for communicating quickly and effectively abstract and important information to children who might be under the influence of a large amount of sometimes contradictory information. Conveying precise, reliable, and accessible information to children is key in a world overwhelmingly impacted by the outbreak. This should be the role and the responsibility of world health official leaders and governments in compliance with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. In partnership with mainstream medias, consortia of scientists, communication experts, and education specialists, it is urgent that world leaders engage children in this worldwide public health fight.

... The use of appropriate governmental communication using comic books, cartoons, appropriate websites, and social media would then make it possible to raise awareness among children about the modes of transmission of the disease, the health risks, the scientific notions of the immune system, the value of barrier measures, and the progress of scientific research. More than texts, comics could be better suited for information campaigns on social media like TikTok [23] and other popular apps. Ideally, they would be tailored by governments, scientific consortium, and educational experts to reach younger citizens....

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[Public attitudes toward allocating scarce resources in the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Wesley Buckwalter, Andrew Peterson

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Abstract

The general public is subject to triage policies that allocate scarce lifesaving resources during the COVID-19 pandemic, one of the worst public health emergencies in the past 100 years. However, public attitudes toward ethical principles underlying triage policies used during this pandemic are not well understood. Three experiments (preregistered; online samples; N = 1,868; U.S. residents) assessed attitudes toward ethical principles underlying triage policies. The experiments evaluated assessments of utilitarian, egalitarian, prioritizing the worst-off, and social usefulness principles in conditions arising during the COVID-19 pandemic, involving resource scarcity, resource reallocation, and bias in resource allocation toward at-risk groups, such as the elderly or people of color. We found that participants agreed with allocation motivated by utilitarian principles and prioritizing the worst-off during initial distribution of resources and disagreed with allocation motivated by egalitarian and social

usefulness principles. At reallocation, participants agreed with giving priority to those patients who received the resources first. Lastly, support for utilitarian allocation varied when saving the greatest number of lives resulted in disadvantage for at-risk or historically marginalized groups. Specifically, participants expressed higher levels of agreement with policies that shifted away from maximizing benefits to one that assigned the same priority to members of different groups if this mitigated disadvantage for people of color. Understanding these attitudes can contribute to developing triage policies, increase trust in health systems, and assist physicians in achieving their goals of patient care during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Forest and woodland replacement patterns following drought-related mortality

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Significance

Forests are experiencing growing risks of drought-induced mortality in a warming world. Yet, ecosystem dynamics following drought mortality remain unknown, representing a major limitation to our understanding of the ecological consequences of climate change. We provide an emerging picture of postdrought ecological trajectories based on field indicators of forest dynamics. Replacement patterns following mortality indicate limited short-term persistence of predrought dominant tree species, highlighting the potential for major ecosystem reorganization in the coming decades. The great variability of the observed dynamics within and among species reinforces the primary influence of drought characteristics and ecosystem legacies, modulated by land use, management, and past disturbances, on ongoing drought-related species turnover and their potential implications for future forest biodiversity and ecosystem services.

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[Do educated women in Sierra Leone support discontinuation of female genital mutilation/cutting? Evidence from the 2013 Demographic and Health Survey](#)

Female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) comprises all procedures that involve the total or partial elimination of the external genitalia or any injury to the female genital organ for non-medical purposes. Mo...

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Key improvements are needed for implementation of the Endangered Species Act

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Editorial

[Courage in a climate of fear](#)

By Abraham Verghese, Eric Topol

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It is essential for physicians and scientists to speak up to counter misinformation about COVID-19 amid a culture of fear.

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[Elevating the uses of storytelling approaches within Indigenous health research: a critical and participatory scoping review protocol involving Indigenous people and settlers](#)

There is a complicated and exploitative history of research with Indigenous peoples and accompanying calls to meaningfully and respectfully include Indigenous knowledge in healthcare. Storytelling approaches t...

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