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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, Development, Heritage Stewardship, Peace-Conflict. Achieving a balance across these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard.

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#### Iran – Israel – Gaza

#### Türk condemns Iran's attacks on Israel, calls for de-escalation

*Statement* - Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights 14 April 2024

I strongly condemn the wide-scale attacks launched last night by Iran against Israel. Such missile and drone attacks had the potential to cause significant harm beyond military targets and put civilians at risk. This only adds fuel to the fire in the whole region. I remind all parties of their obligations under international humanitarian law and international human rights law.

I am deeply worried about the potential humanitarian and human rights cost if this escalation leads to wider conflict in the Middle East. I urge all parties to take steps to de-escalate the situation, and call on third States, in particular those with influence, to do all in their power to ensure there is no further deterioration in an already extremely precarious situation.

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#### Joint statement: Over 250 Humanitarian and Human Rights Organisations join call to end Arms Transfers to Israel, Palestinian Armed Groups

An open call to all UN Member States to stop fuelling the crisis in Gaza and avert further humanitarian catastrophe and loss of civilian life

11 April 2024

We, the undersigned organisations, call on all States to immediately halt the transfer of weapons, parts, and ammunition to Israel and Palestinian armed groups while there is risk they are used to commit or facilitate serious violations of international humanitarian or human rights law...

We demand an immediate ceasefire and call on all states to halt the transfer of weapons that can be used to commit violations of international humanitarian and human rights law. The UN Security Council must fulfill its responsibility to maintain global peace and security by adopting measures to halt the transfer of weapons to the Government of Israel and Palestinian armed groups and prevent the supply of arms that risk being used in the commission of international crimes, effective immediately. All states have the obligation to prevent atrocity crimes and promote adherence to norms that protect civilians. The international community is long overdue to live up to these commitments.

252 signatories listed at title link above

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# **OAS – Global Context/Mandate**

# **Statement from the OAS General Secretariat on the Global Context**

Organization of American States (OAS) April 14, 2024

#### We are hurt and concerned by the current global context.

Today we must say that the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) has peace as its fundamental objective and, in that sense, the daily work of the Organization is promoting dialogue and political construction in democracy in a plural and diverse framework, to find solutions to the permanently complex political agenda of this Hemisphere. In that sense, we also work for peace on the ground, in missions such as the Office in the Belize-Guatemala Adjacency Zone and in the Mission to Support the Peace Process (MAPP) in Colombia, often micro-managing peace, because peace is built from the most basic right of each people, of each person.

In a Hemisphere in which we still have millions of people at risk of severe hunger or without access to drinking water, in which we still have rich countries and poor people, it is essential that every human right, no matter how elementary it may seem, be fundamental.

But it is also essential to eradicate every crime against humanity that still exists in the region, so that there are no tortured people, no political prisoners, no missing persons, no extrajudicial executions. We also work on a daily basis denouncing each crime against humanity of each dictatorship, because that is the essence of peace. Because to achieve this, it is necessary that, one day, we finally have a region free of crimes against humanity. I wish we had the mandate to carry this out in every corner of the world.

We all need peace. Peace is necessary for people like the oxygen they breathe or the water they drink or the freedom they should have. Those attacked are always victims of the loss of peace, not the aggressor who causes it. And recognizing that the people of the aggressor country are often the first victims of the aggressor, the attacked people need peace more than the aggressor who takes it away from them, who takes it away from all of us, that is why we have condemned every aggression, regardless of the perpetrator. Iran now, Russia before. We are hurt by each victim; we are worried that any current conflict will escalate and the victims will multiply. We must always ensure that peace is the only possible path.

The OAS General Secretariat is an instrument of peace, and this work is constant. In each commitment that is assumed with the OAS Charter, the Inter-American Democratic Charter and the Human Rights Conventions.

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#### **Democratic Freedoms**

NEW REPORT: Authoritarian Violence Drives 20th Consecutive Year of Decline in Democratic Governance for Region Stretching from Central Europe to Central Asia

Freedom House April 11, 2024 Of the 29 countries examined in Nations in Transit, 10 suffered declines in their Democracy Score, while just five earned improvements. WASHINGTON—Moscow's war to destroy Ukraine and the Azerbaijani regime's military conquest and ethnic cleansing of Nagorno-Karabakh in 2023 have accelerated a geopolitical reordering in the 29 countries stretching from Central Europe to Central Asia. The trend led to a 20th consecutive year of decline in democratic governance for the region, according to a report released today by Freedom House.

<u>Nations in Transit 2024: A Region Reordered by Autocracy and Democracy</u> found that **10 out of the 29 countries under analysis suffered declines in their overall Democracy Score, while only** five countries registered score improvements. Escalating authoritarian attacks on basic rights and liberties have increasingly pushed countries into two opposing blocs: those committed to a liberal, democratic order and those that violently reject it.

"Authoritarian regimes are stepping up their attacks and undermining democratic governance across the region," said Michael J. Abramowitz, president of Freedom House. "In Ukraine and Nagorno-Karabakh, we've already seen the devastating consequences of authoritarian expansion, and there's no reason to believe it will stop there. **Unless democracies act urgently and consistently to uphold their own interests and values, more territory will be lost to dictatorship and repression.**"

Of the eight countries classified by the report as Consolidated Authoritarian Regimes—settings where autocrats prevent political competition and pluralism through widespread violations of basic rights—four suffered declines in their already abysmal Democracy Scores: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, and Uzbekistan. As such regimes closed off the remaining space for dissent and created conditions to extend their rule indefinitely, **they also actively supported one another's efforts to evade sanctions, crush domestic opposition, and blunt any accountability for military aggression and other violations of international law...** 

"The fate of European democracy now depends in large part on the willingness of democratic states to adopt a more active approach to security in the region, most urgently by supporting Ukraine," said Mike Smeltzer, report coauthor and senior research analyst for Europe and Eurasia. "Any failure to stand up for democracy during this critical moment will make it more costly to check authoritarian expansion in the future, both in the region and around the world. The United States and Europe must act now to ensure the defeat of Moscow's invasion and to protect democratic institutions and norms more broadly."

The report identifies a number of steps that democratic governments can take to roll back authoritarian gains and revitalize democracy in the region. The recommendations include:

- Ensure that Ukraine wins, on Ukraine's terms. Democratic governments must sustain and increase much-needed military, humanitarian, and budgetary aid to Ukraine. At the same time, they should seize and repurpose frozen Russian assets to facilitate Ukraine's reconstruction, and support its efforts to build a durable democracy.
- Support democratic renewal and reform. Policymakers and donors must recognize that many would-be reformers in the European Union (EU) are struggling to push major changes through a legal and institutional framework that has been heavily damaged by previous illiberal governments. In addition to supporting such efforts, they should make it a strategic priority to address rule-of-law concerns within the EU.
- Provide consistent messaging and support to Europe's aspiring democracies. The EU, the United States, and donors should work with governments seeking EU membership to support reforms that are consistent with democratic principles and the rule of law, and complement government efforts with foreign assistance. To achieve the best outcomes, engagement with such countries should be tailored according to their recent democratic trajectories.

 Seek accountability for human rights abuses and stand with human rights defenders. Democracies must stand in solidarity with human rights defenders from authoritarian states, supporting their work on the ground and, if need be, in exile. They must also use every tool at their disposal to ensure that violations are deterred and punished.

Click <u>here</u> to read the full report and policy recommendations. Click here to read translated versions of the press release: <u>Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian</u>, <u>German</u>.

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# Human Rights – Children on the Move/Child Labour in Africa

Launch of the Consortium on Children on the Move and Child Labour

African Union

Press release April 12, 2024

The African Union Commission (AUC), the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC), together with International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the International Labor Organization (ILO) will officially launch a consortium on children on the move and child labour.

**This launch marks a key step in Africa's efforts to protect its most vulnerable population – children**. The Consortium's deliberations will not only calibrate operational modalities but also exchange crucial technical insights to fine-tune proposals aimed at enhancing the protection of children in vulnerable situations. This meeting will identify key priority areas and develop an action plan for implementation...

The launch will be attended by representatives from AUC, ACERWC, IOM, ILO, UNICEF, and other key players. Additionally, government officials from Lesotho, specifically the Ministry of Labour and Employment and the Ministry of Local Government, Chieftainship, Home Affairs, and Police will be present...

Grounded in Agenda 2063 and its First Ten-Year Implementation Plan, as well as Agenda 2040, the Commission has developed a Proposal titled "Enhancing the protection of Children in Vulnerable Populations," focusing on combating child labour and establishing a programmatic response to children on the move in Africa. This initiative aligns with the African Union Ten Year Action Plan on Eradication of Child Labour, Forced Labour, Human Trafficking, and Modern Slavery in Africa (2020-2030), targeting SDG goal 8.7...

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# **Development Financing – SDGs**

2024 Financing for Sustainable Development Report: Financing for Development at a Crossroads (FSDR 2024) UN DESA April 2024 221 pages PDF: <u>https://desapublications.un.org/file/20487/download</u> *Overview* The world is facing a sustainable development crisis. The 2024 Financing for Sustainable Development Report: Financing for Development at a Crossroads finds that **financing challenges are at the**  **heart of the crisis and imperil the SDGs and climate action**. The window to rescue the SDGs and prevent a climate catastrophe is still open but closing rapidly.

Financing gaps for sustainable development are large and growing – **the estimates by international organizations and others are coalescing around \$4 trillion additional investment needed annually for developing countries. This represents a more than 50% increase over the pre-pandemic estimates.** Meanwhile, the finance divide has not been bridged, with developing countries paying around twice as much on average in interest on their total sovereign debt stock as developed countries. Many countries lack access to affordable finance or are in debt distress.

Weak enabling environments are preventing progress. Average global growth has declined, while policy and regulatory frameworks still do not set appropriate incentives. Public budgets and spending is not fully aligned with SDGs. Private investors are not incentivised to invest enough in SDGs and climate action.

The world is at a crossroads. This is the last chance to correct course if we want to achieve the SDGs by the 2030 deadline. Only an urgent, large-scale and sustainable investment push can help us achieve our global goals. Next year's Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development in 2025 will be a once in 80-year opportunity to support coherent transformation of financing.

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#### A multifaceted system of sustainable finance norms

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International Organizations/Standard-setters		•	
Principles	Frameworks	Standards	Ratings & Indices
High-level principles and criteria for sustainable business and investment practices.	Management guidelines for designing and implementing sustainability systems: from strategy-setting and governance to operationalization throughout the invest- ment process.	Rules for sustainability reporting and disclosure processes and metrics. Report- ing standards encompass both corporate and investor standards.	Databases which screen the investable universe and rate or benchmark performance against peers. Yet, many investors still use raw data to consider investment opportunities as of today. In- dices are particularly relevant to passive investors.
	Prominent examples		
Global goals & Fundamental principles: SDGs, International Bill of Human Rights, International Labour Organization	Impact investing: UNDP SDG Impact Standards, Impact Management Project	Sustainability reporting with financial materiality: International Sustainability Standards Board	Ratings: World Benchmarking Alliance, Transi- tion Pathways Initiative, Carbon Tracker Company Profiles
Impact investing principles: IFC Operating Principles for Impact Management		Sustainability reporting with impact materiality: Global Reporting Initiative	Indexes: S&P Global LargeMidCap SDG Index, MSCI ACWI Sustainable Impact Index, Morningstar
ESG principles for business: UN Global 10 Com- pact Principles, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises		Impact reporting: Global Impact Invest- ing Network IRIS+	Societal Development Index
ESG principles/frameworks for investors: Princ Principles for Responsible Banking & Principles for R Exchanges model guidances and training tools			
Asset-class specific principles: e.g., Interna- tional Capital Markets Association's Green bond standards			
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Source: UN DESA.

#### Four actions are needed:

- Close financing gaps for SDG/climate investments (both public and private) at scale and with urgency;
- Close policy and architecture gaps, and reform international institutions;
- Close credibility gaps and trust deficits both international and domestically; and
- Formulate and finance new development pathways.

#### <u>New UN report calls for trillions more in development investment to rescue Sustainable</u> <u>Development Goals</u>

*Bold actions needed to scale up SDG investment and reform global financial system* UN DESA 9 April 2024 - A new UN report today says financing challenges are at the heart of the world's sustainable development crisis – as staggering debt burdens and sky-high borrowing costs prevent developing countries from responding to the confluence of crises they face. Only a massive surge of financing, and a reform of the international financial architecture can rescue <u>the Sustainable</u> <u>Development Goals</u>...

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#### **Official Development Assistance [ODA]**

#### **International aid rises in 2023**

OECD 11 April 2024 | News Release

**International aid from official donors rose in 2023 to a new all-time high of USD 223.7 billion,** up from USD 211 billion in 2022, as provider countries increased aid flows to Ukraine and directed more humanitarian assistance to developing countries.

The 1.8% rise in real terms was the latest in a series of annual increases in Official Development Assistance (ODA) provided by members of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee (DAC) and the **fifth consecutive year that ODA has set a new record**. Total 2023 ODA total is up by a third from 2019 levels.

At 0.37% of DAC donors' combined gross national income (GNI) for a second year running, the **ODA** total still lags behind a long-standing UN target of 0.7% ODA to GNI.

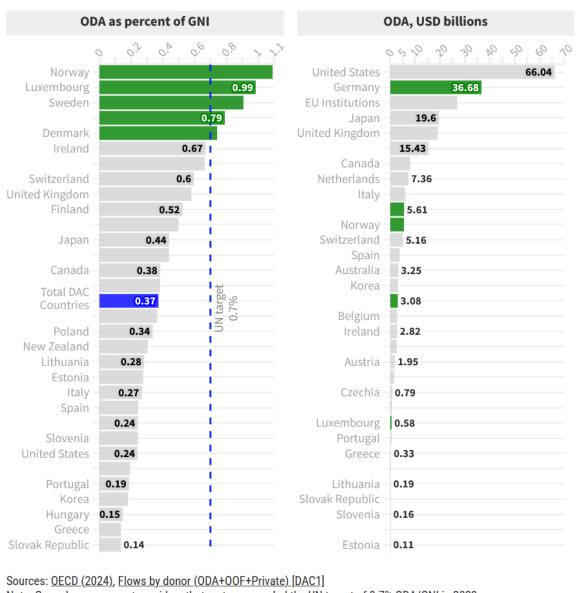
**ODA to Ukraine, where Russia's war of aggression is entering a third year, rose by 9% in 2023** to reach USD 20 billion, including USD 3.2 billion of humanitarian aid.

ODA also increased to the West Bank and Gaza with preliminary estimates showing a rise of 12% on 2022 to USD 1.4 billion. Within that total, USD 758 million was in the form of humanitarian aid, which increased by 91% from 2022. On a global level, humanitarian aid rose by 4.8% in 2023 to reach USD 25.9 billion.

**ODA used to cover refugee costs within donor countries fell by 6.2% in 2023** to stand at USD 31 billion, representing 13.8% of total ODA compared with 14.7% in 2022. For seven DAC countries, in-donor refugee costs still accounted for over a quarter of their ODA in 2023. Total ODA excluding these in-donor refugee costs was up by 3.2% in real terms.

Bilateral aid flows from DAC members to the group of least developed countries were USD 37 billion, an increase of 3% in real terms compared to 2022, when it showed a drop of 6.2%.

# Official Development Assistance (ODA) in 2023, by members of the Development Assistance Committee (preliminary data)



Note: Green bars represent providers that met or exceeded the UN target of 0.7% ODA/GNI in 2023. (Left-hand chart): ODA on a grant equivalent measure by members of OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) as percent of gross national income (GNI). (Right-hand chart): ODA on a grant equivalent measure by members of OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC).

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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 13 Apr 2024]

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

Meetings Coverage/Press Releases [Selected]

14 April 2024 SC/15660

Middle East: Security Council to Hold Emergency Meeting Following Iranian Attack on Israel

The Security Council will hold an emergency meeting today at 4 p.m. (Eastern Time), at the request of the delegation of Israel, in response to the drone and missile attack on Israel by Iran on Saturday.

#### 12 April 2024 SC/15659

Defending Military Aid to Ukraine, Western Countries in Security Council Reject Russian Federation's Claim Such Support Is Turning Kyiv into Terrorist State

Western countries' provision of military assistance to Ukraine is intended to support that country's self-defence against the Russian Federation's aggression, their representatives told the Security Council, refuting Moscow's argument that such aid is turning Kyiv into a terrorist State.

#### 11 April 2024 GA/12592

#### Amid Spectre of Nuclear Conflict in Korean Peninsula, Veto in Security Council Blocking Sanctions Monitoring Tool Sets Dangerous Precedent, Speakers Tell General Assembly

In a meeting triggered by a veto cast by the Russian Federation on 28 March to reject the adoption of a Council resolution that would have extended the mandate of the sanctions panel monitoring the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's nuclear weapon and missile programmes, speakers warned the General Assembly that the veto sets a dangerous precedent and could have a cascading effect on other Council sanctions.

11 April 2024 SC/15658

Press Statement on Humanitarian Workers and Threat of Famine in Gaza

#### 8 April 2024 SC/15655

Security Council Refers Renewed Consideration of State of Palestine Application for United Nations Membership to Committee on Admissions

The Security Council today decided to refer a renewed consideration of the State of Palestine's 2011 application for United Nations membership to its Committee on the Admission of New Members, which would then meet at 3 p.m.

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/latest Latest News, Statements, Press Releases [Selected] Statements 14 April 2024 Conflicts and violence Türk condemns Iran's attacks on Israel, calls for de-escalation

*Press releases* 11 April 2024 **Pakistan: UN experts alarmed by lack of protection for minority girls from forced religious** <u>conversions and forced marriage</u>

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/news?field\_content\_category=162&field\_entity=1203 Council News Permanent Forum on People of African Descent to hold its third session (16-19 April) 11/04/2024

Sudan: As conflict enters its second year, UN Fact-Finding Mission says warring parties must halt fighting, protect civilians, allow free flow of aid 11/04/2024

**Committee on the Rights of the Child** [to 13 Apr 2024] 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 13 Apr 2024] http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx Latest News No new digest content identified.

**SRSG/CAAC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/virtual-library/press-release-archive/</u> *Press Releases Website not responding at inquiry* 

**SRSG/SVC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/</u> *Statements, Press Releases No new digest content identified.* 

**Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights** [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx</u> *Latest News*  No new digest content identified.

**Special Rapporteur on the right to health** [to 13 Apr 2024]

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 13 Apr 2024]

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 13 Apr 2024]

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 No new digest content identified.

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html Press releases Following high-level mission, UNHCR recognizes Central America and Mexico's response to displacement 12 April 2024

UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.unocha.org/</u> *News and Stories [Selected] News* Today's top news: Occupied Palestinian Territory, Haiti, Democratic Republic of the Congo, <u>Ethiopia, South Sudan</u> 12 April 2024

News

UN relief chief says safety of aid workers and civilians "remains paramount" in Gaza 11 April 2024

News OCHA urges Security Council to pursue peace, ensure respect for the rules of war in Ukraine 11 April 2024

# Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://centre.humdata.org/ Latest Stories No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases</u> *Latest press releases, news notes and statements Statement* 11 April 2024 Three young girls die on Greek shores, in yet another shipwreck tragedy

ATHENS/GENEVA 11 April 2024 – "Three girls aged 5, 7 and 10 years old died on the shores of Chios, Greece this week, in yet another tragic shipwreck. Two of them were sisters. Our deepest sympathies are with the children's families. "This tragic event serves as a painful reminder that more needs to be done to protect children and their families...

#### International Organization for Migration [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.iom.int/press-room/press-releases Press Releases – Selected News 12 Apr 2024 UN Migration Chief Urges Greater Humanitarian Support for Ukraine

*News* 11 Apr 2024 38 Migrants Including Children Confirmed Dead off Djibouti Coast After Shipwreck

*News* 09 Apr 2024 220,000 Urgently Need Humanitarian Aid After Devastating Cyclone in Northeast Madagascar

News 08 Apr 2024 As World Marks Health Day, Health Care Remains Inaccessible to Many Migrants: IOM Report

UNAIDS [to 12 Apr 2024] http://www.unaids.org/en Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements Press statement Monaco Principality renews its collaboration with UNAIDS GENEVA/MONACO, 11 April 2024

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WHO & Regional Offices [to 12 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.who.int/news</u> *Selected News/Announcements/Statements* 12 April 2024 Departmental news Enhancing Global Health and Well-Being: WHO and the Netherlands strengthen their Partnership

12 April 2024 News release

In world first, Nigeria introduces new 5-in-1 vaccine against meningitis

11 April 2024 Departmental news

World Chagas Disease Day 2024: urging early diagnosis and care for life

9 April 2024 News release

WHO sounds alarm on viral hepatitis infections claiming 3500 lives each day

9 April 2024 Departmental news

WHO announces forthcoming updates on co-administration of treatment for drug-resistant tuberculosis and hepatitis C

8 April 2024 Statement Statement following the Thirty-eighth Meeting of the IHR Emergency Committee for Polio

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#### **WHO Regional Offices**

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

# WHO African Region

:: <u>Malawi curbs cholera through enhanced outbreak control</u> 11 April 2024

Lilongwe – Although Malawi continues to record only sporadic cholera cases, with just an average of 10 cases a week as of January 2024 compared with close to 700 cases per week at the peak of the outbreak in January 2023 – infection control measures are being applied rigorously to further curb the disease, save lives and avert a flare-out.

At the heart of the measures being undertaken is the 7-1-7 approach: essentially it entails timely case detection (a target of less than seven days from emergence of infection), notification (a target of less than a day from detection) and completion of seven early response actions (a target of below seven days from notification)...

# WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 11 Apr 2024

PAHO Director meets with Minister of Health of Canada to discuss ongoing collaboration with the country

Ottawa, Canada, 11 April 2024 (PAHO) – During an official visit to Canada this week, Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) Director, Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, met with the country's Minister of Health, Mark Holland, as well as other high-level health officials, to discuss ongoing collaboration to enhance quality of life and health in the Americas.At...

:: 10 Apr 2024

WHO sounds alarm on viral hepatitis infections claiming 3500 lives each day

Geneva, 10 April, 2024 — According to the World Health Organization (WHO) 2024 Global Hepatitis Report, the number of lives lost due to viral hepatitis is increasing. The disease is the second leading infectious cause of death globally -- with 1.3 million deaths per year, the same as tuberculosis, a top infectious killer. The report, released at...

# WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

# WHO European Region EURO

No new digest content identified.

#### WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

 <u>Visiting Lebanon, WHO Regional Director affirms support to address multiple health system</u> <u>challenges</u> 7 April 2024
 <u>The right to health: WHO works to bridge health divide in Yemen</u> 7 April 2024

# WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

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<u>WHO - Emergency situation reports</u> Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. No new digest content identified.

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#### **Disease Outbreak News (DONs)**

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health events or potential events of concern.

10 April 2024 | Rabies - Timor-Leste

9 April 2024 | Avian Influenza A(H5N1) - United States of America

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#### Weekly Epidemiological Record

<u>https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record</u> Vol. 99, No. 15, pp. 179–184 **12 April 2024** PDF: <u>https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/376507/WER9915-eng-fre.pdf</u> :: Strategic and Technical Advisory Group on Infectious Hazards with Pandemic and Epidemic Potential: annual meeting, "New vulnerabilities"

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#### **New WHO Publications**

https://www.who.int/publications/i Selected 11 April 2024 Target product profile for a low-cost test for use in bacterial meningitis outbreak response and surveillance

11 April 2024

<u>Respiratory pathogens pandemic preparedness: perspectives on research priorities and key measures</u> of...

11 April 2024 HRP annual report 2023 9 April 2024

Consolidated guidelines on person-centred viral hepatitis strategic information: using data to support...

9 April 2024

Global hepatitis report 2024: action for access in low- and middle-income countries

9 April 2024

Co-administration of treatment for drug-resistant tuberculosis and hepatitis C: rapid communication

8 April 2024 Diagnostic tests for detecting risk of Plasmodium vivax relapse

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World Organisation for Animal Health [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.oie.int/en/ Press Releases, Statements No new digest content identified.

# UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.unfpa.org/press/press-release Selected Press Releases 09 Apr 2024 Press Release International parliamentarians gather in Norway to boost global progress on sexual and

reproductive health for women and girls Oslo, 9 April 2024 – Over 170 parliamentarians from more than 110 countries are gathering in Oslo

this week at a key global conference focusing on how they can help advance the sexual and...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 13 Apr 2024]
 <u>https://www.undp.org/news-centre</u>
 *News Centre* <u>New study: urgent action to enhance food aid and revitalize agriculture critical to averting</u>
 <u>looming famine in Sudan</u>
 April 12, 2024

# Middle class disappearing and poverty deepening in Myanmar

UNDP's report points to a disappearing middle class amidst deepening poverty, with vulnerable populations, particularly women and children, hardest hit. Urges immediate international support to Myanmar households April 11, 2024

# UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://sdgs.un.org/</u> *News No new digest content identified.* 

# UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/ News

2025 Comprehensive Review Call for proposals is now open

8 April 2024

In accordance with <u>GA Resolution 71/313</u>, the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) conducted a Comprehensive Review of the global indicator framework throughout 2024 with the aim to submit its proposed refinements, revisions, replacements, additions and deletions to the 56<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations Statistical Commission in March 2025 for its consideration.

**UNEP** United Nations Environment Programme [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.unenvironment.org/</u> *Resources No new digest content identified.* 

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.undrr.org/

Press Releases, Statements and messages

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11 April 2024

# Launch of a new roadmap for financing adaptation and resilience

United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction Standard Chartered Bank KPMG International

- Call for step-change in financing adaptation and resilience as breakthrough Guide for Adaptation and Resilience Finance (the Guide) offers clarity and transparency to accelerate investment.
- The Guide sets out for the first time eligible financeable activities and guidance on what constitutes adaptation and resilience investment, alongside a practical roadmap for financing and investment opportunities.
- Created by Standard Chartered, KPMG and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) – with support from 20+ leading financial institutions, multilateral development banks (MDBs) and NGOs – the Guide responds to the urgent call to mobilise private finance for adaptation and resilience, issued at COP28.

The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), Standard Chartered, and KPMG are today calling for a step-change in the mobilisation of finance for adaptation and resilience ahead of COP29, particularly in emerging markets. This comes as Standard Chartered, KPMG and UNDRR launch a breakthrough roadmap to galvanise and align sector-wide efforts to address the significant finance shortfall in adaptation and resilience...

**UN DESA** United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.un.org/en/articles-by-property-w-date/81254</u> *Articles - Selected* 

12 Apr 2024 | DESA

Young people: world shapers and leaders of the future

12 April 2024 - There are no better forecasters of resilience in the world than young people, who have been calling attention to critical sustainable development issues. They have become experts on

adapting to an increasingly challenging global landscape, filled with images of conflicts, climate crisis impacts, and deepening inequalities. They experience the results of past unsustainable practices, facing present consequences and racing against the clock to curb a rising tide.

# 11 Apr 2024 | DESA

<u>3 things you need to know about this year's UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues</u>

11 April 2024 - The UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) is one of three UN bodies addressing Indigenous Peoples' issues, focusing on economic and social development, culture, education, environment, health, and human rights. It also works to ensure that the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is implemented and respected worldwide.

11 Apr 2024 | DESA

#### New governance insights to boost SDG progress

11 April 2024 - New approaches are needed to bolster efforts to realize the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), eradicate poverty and eliminate hunger, while navigating and addressing multiple crises...

09 Apr 2024 | DESA

<u>New UN report calls for trillions more in development investment to rescue Sustainable</u> <u>Development Goals</u>

9 April 2024 - A new UN report today says financing challenges are at the heart of the world's sustainable...

ILO International Labour Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.ilo.org/</u> *News Podcast series: Global challenges – Global solutions* <u>Addressing major labour market challenges in the world of work: What are the</u> <u>implications for promoting employment?</u> 10 April 2024

*Education* **ILO discusses key recommendations to transform teaching profession** 10 April 2024

UNESCO [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.unesco.org/en/newsroom Press Releases [Selected] Intangible Cultural Heritage: the United Kingdom becomes the 183rd State to join UNESCO's Convention 12 April 2024

Ocean protection: In Barcelona, Audrey Azoulay welcomes the "significant efforts" made by the international community 11 April 2024

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.icomos.org/en/

# Announcements Preserving Legacies Adds 11 New Heritage Sites to Global Climate Adaptation Programme

Written on 08 April 2024.

*Preserving Legacies: A Future for our Past* welcomes a new cohort of heritage sites and custodians across the world to work together to ensure their places of cultural significance are protected from climate change impacts and allowing us to continue to learn from our past and inspire our future. With climate change as their fastest growing threat, not only is their physical integrity at risk of erosion, but so are the values, knowledge and sense of community imbued in these places.

**UNODC** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/press/allpress.html?ref=fp</u> *Press Releases No new digest content identified.* 

**UN-HABITAT** United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://unhabitat.org/</u> *Press Releases, Statements No new digest content identified.* 

**FAO** Food & Agriculture Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.fao.org/home/en/ News No new digest content identified.

# World Food Programme [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.wfp.org/news Selected News Releases 13 April 2024 Economic fallout of Sudan war deepens hunger crisis for millions

PORT SUDAN – Sudan's war has claimed thousands of lives, forced millions from their homes, and sparked economic turmoil across the region that is deepening the hunger crisis, warns the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) as the conflict approaches its one-year mark.

#### 12 April 2024

# Worsening hunger grips West and Central Africa amid persistent conflict and economic turmoil

DAKAR – Nearly 55 million people in West and Central Africa will struggle to feed themselves in the June-August 2024 lean season, according to the March 2024 Cadre Harmonisé food security analysis released by the Permanent Inter-State Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS).

#### 11 April 2024

WFP ramps up food assistance in Haiti as hunger reaches record highs

Port-au-Prince – Amidst ongoing violence in Haiti, the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has rapidly expanded its food assistance, reaching more than half a million people since the start of the current crisis in March this year. WFP is reaching vulnerable communities with food distributions including hot meals for people living in temporary shelters in conflict-affected Port-au-Prince, cash disbursements and school meals.

**ICAO** International Civil Aviation Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.icao.int/</u> *Latest News and Highlights No new digest content identified.* 

**IMO** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.imo.org/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

**WMO** World Meteorological Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://public.wmo.int</u> *News No new digest content identified.* 

**UPU** Universal Postal Union [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.upu.int/en/News-Media/Press/Press-Releases</u> *Press Releases No new digest content identified.* 

**UNIDO** United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">https://www.unido.org/news</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">News</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">News</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">News</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">News</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">News</a> <a href="https://www.unido.org/news">No new digest content identified.</a>

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.iso.org/news News No new digest content identified.

**WIPO** World Intellectual Property Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/</u> *Press releases No new digest content identified.* 

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.cbd.int/</u> Announcements/Decisions/Events 16.04.2024-16.04.2024 Fourth meeting of the Informal Advisory Group on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources

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# DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 13 Apr 2024

https://www.darpa.mil/news No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases Press Releases [Selected] The United States Provides More Than \$25 Million for Refugee Assistance in Uganda

April 11, 2024

The United States, through USAID and the Department of State, is providing more than \$25 million in additional humanitarian funding to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the World Food Program (WFP) to assist refugees in Uganda facing ongoing food insecurity and the compounding impacts of conflict in the region. USAID is providing \$11 million to WFP, while the Department of State is contributing more than \$14 million to UNHCR.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office Press releases; Speeches

PM statement on Iranian regime's reckless attack against Israel

13 April 2024 — News story

Words from the Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, on the Iranian regime's reckless attack against Israel

**ECHO** [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news-stories/news\_en

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News article 9 April 2024

EU sends emergency aid to Ukraine after further attacks on energy infrastructure

Following a series of targeted missile and drone strikes on Ukrainian energy infrastructure by Russia at the end of March, Ukraine's power supply has suffered significant damage.

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African Union [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.au. /en Press releases Launch of the Consortium on Children on the Move and Child Labour

April 12, 2024

The African Union Commission (AUC), the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC), together with International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the International Labor Organization (ILO) will officially launch a consortium on children on the move and child labour.

Why: This launch marks a key step in Africa's efforts to protect its most vulnerable population – children. The Consortium's deliberations will not only calibrate operational modalities but also exchange crucial technical insights to fine-tune proposals aimed at enhancing the protection of children in vulnerable situations. This meeting will identify key priority areas and develop an action plan for

implementation. Participation of esteemed organizations and government representatives underscores the significance of this initiative, making it key for the media to cover and disseminate its outcomes.

Participants: The launch will be attended by representatives from AUC, ACERWC, IOM, ILO, UNICEF, and other key players. Additionally, government officials from Lesotho, specifically the Ministry of Labour and Employment and the Ministry of Local Government, Chieftainship, Home Affairs, and Police will be present.

#### AU Commemorates Kwibuka30 with renewed promise to prevent genocide

April 08, 2024

The Department of Political Affairs, Peace and Security of the African Union Commission (AUC), in collaboration with the Embassy of the Republic of Rwanda in Ethiopia, solemnly observed the 30th Commemoration of the Genocide against Tutsi in Rwanda, at the AU Headquarters, under the theme "Remember-Unite-Renew".

During a span of 100 days, over one million Rwandan citizens lost their lives in the Genocide committed against the Tutsi in 1994. Since April 7, 2010, the AU has been organizing annual commemoration events. The year 2024 signifies the 30th anniversary of those tragic days.

This significant event, known as Kwibuka30, is a call to all AU Member States, continental organizations and civil society organizations to reaffirm their unwavering support to the prevention and the fight against genocide and to ensure that it never happens again in Rwanda or anywhere else...

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://asean.org/category/news/</u> Secretariat News No new digest content identified.

#### **European Commission**

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/home/en Latest [Selected] Press release 10 April 2024 Multi-agency Donor Coordination Platform for Ukraine meets in Kyiv, confirms unwavering

support to Ukraine's recovery and reconstruction Today, the Steering Committee Members and Participants of the Multi-agency Donor Coordination Platform for Ukraine met for the first time in Kyiv, showcasing unwavering support for Ukraine and to

continue efforts to help Ukraine meet its immediate and long-term financing needs.

#### Statement 10 April 2024

<u>Statement by President von der Leyen at the joint press conference with President Metsola</u> and Belgian Prime Minister De Croo on the adoption of the Pact on Migration and Asylum

The President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, delivered a statement at the joint press conference with the President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metsola, and the Prime Minister of Belgium, Alexander De Croo, on the adoption of the Pact on Migration and Asylum.

OECD [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.oecd.org/ Newsroom OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE International aid rises in 2023 Official development assistance rose to a new all-time high of USD 223.7 billion, as donors increased aid flows to Ukraine and directed more humanitarian assistance to developing countries. 11 April 2024 | News Release

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.oas.org/en/media\_center/press\_releases.asp Press Release Statement from the OAS General Secretariat on the Global Context April 14, 2024

Statement from the OAS General Secretariat on Iran's attack on Israel April 13, 2024

**OAS Signs Agreement to Observe Referendum and Popular Consultation in Ecuador** April 12, 2024

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 13 Apr 2024] https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/latestnews.aspx News Secretary-General Congratulates the Muslim World on the Occasion of Eid El-Fitr and Prays for the End of Aggression against Palestinians 09-04-2024

# Group of 77 [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.g77.org/

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

:: Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by Ambassador Duncan Laki Muhumuza, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Uganda to the United Nations, at the second informal consultation on <u>Zero Draft of the outcome document of the 2024 ECOSOC Financing for</u> <u>Development Forum follow-up (FfD Forum) (New York, 13 April 2024)</u>

:: Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by Ambassador Duncan Laki Muhumuza, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Uganda to the United Nations, at the informal dialogue on the <u>revitalization of the work of the Second Committee</u> of the UN General Assembly (New York, 11 April 2024)

:: Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by Marvin Ikondere, Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations, at the closing session of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States (New York, 11 April 2024)

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UNCTAD [to 13 Apr 2024] https://unctad.org/media-centre Press Releases 09 Apr 2024 –

# Marking its 60th Anniversary, UNCTAD Rebrands to "UN Trade and Development" and Convenes a Global Leaders Forum

UNCTAD/PRESS/PR/2024/006 Geneva, Switzerland

#### World Customs Organization – WCO [to 015 Oct 2022]

http://www.wcoomd.org/ Latest News 09 April 2024 WCO Publishes a Hand

#### WCO Publishes a Handbook on Performance Measurement

The WCO has published a "Handbook on Performance Measurement" to address the need for a comprehensive guide for evaluating performance, specifically tailored for Customs administrations.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.unwto.org/news</u> *News Europe* <u>UN Tourism Members Advance Agenda for Europe as Region Leads Global Recovery</u> 08 Apr 2024

#### WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.wto.org/english/news\_e/news\_e.htm WTO News and Events [Selected]

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#### WTO forecasts rebound in global trade but warns of downside risks

10 April 2024

Global goods trade is expected to pick up gradually this year following a contraction in 2023 that was driven by the lingering effects of high energy prices and inflation, WTO economists said in a new forecast on 10 April. The volume of world merchandise trade should increase by 2.6% in 2024 and 3.3% in 2025 after falling 1.2% in 2023. However, regional conflicts, geopolitical tensions and economic policy uncertainty pose substantial downside risks to the forecast.

#### WTO launches online registration for 2024 Public Forum, call for proposals

4 April 2024

The WTO has opened online registration for this year's Public Forum — titled "Re-globalization: Better Trade for a Better World" — to be held at the WTO's headquarters in Geneva from 10 to 13 September. It has also launched a call for proposals for the event.

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**IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union** [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.ipu.org/news/press-releases Press releases No new digest content identified.

**International Court of Justice** [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.icj-cij.org/en/press-releases

#### Press Releases/Case Documentation Press release No. 2024/28

#### Press release No. 2024/2

# 9 April 2024

Alleged Breaches of Certain International Obligations in respect of the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Nicaragua v. Germany) - Request for the indication of provisional measures - Conclusion of the public hearings held on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 April 2024

At the end of the hearings, the Agents of Nicaragua and Germany made the following requests to the Court:

#### For Nicaragua:

"Nicaragua respectfully requests the Court, as a matter of extreme urgency, pending the Court's determination of this case on the merits, and after recalling to the Parties the obligation of compliance with humanitarian law as well as of the obligation of cooperation to bring to an end all serious breaches of peremptory norms of international law, to indicate the following provisional measures with respect to Germany in its participation in the ongoing plausible genocide and serious breaches of international humanitarian law and other peremptory norms of general international law occurring in the Gaza Strip, as well as in other parts of Palestine, namely, to order that:

(1) Germany must immediately suspend its aid to Israel, in particular its military assistance, export and authorization of export of military equipment and war weapons, in so far as this aid is used or could be used to commit or to facilitate serious violations of the Genocide Convention, international humanitarian law or other peremptory norms of general international law;

(2) Germany must immediately ensure that military equipment, war weapons, and other equipment used for military purposes already delivered by Germany and German entities to Israel **are not used to commit or to facilitate serious violations of the Genocide Convention, international humanitarian law or other peremptory norms of general international law;** 

(3) Germany must resume its support and financing of UNRWA in respect of its operations in Gaza."

#### For Germany:

"The Federal Republic of Germany asks the Court

1) to reject the request for the indication of provisional measures submitted by the Republic of Nicaragua; and

2) to remove from the General List the case introduced by the Republic of Nicaragua on 1 March 2024."

#### International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 13 Apr 2024]

*Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity* <u>https://www.icc-cpi.int/</u> *News No new digest content identified.* 

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World Bank [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all</u> *All News [Selected]*  **2024 Spring Meetings: Vision to Impact** April 15-20, 2024 *Find out how we can achieve universal access to energy across Africa and expand health coverage worldwide.*  On April 11, we kicked things off with the Spring Meetings opening press conference, where World Bank Group President Ajay Banga addressed pressing global challenges and engaged with journalists from around the world.

Join us on April 17 where we will explore what's needed to scale up the solutions and investments that will help connect millions more Africans to electricity and transform African economies.

On April 18, tune in for an event where experts discuss how we can help ensure more people have greater access to high quality and affordable health care globally.

Be part of the action—watch the livestream in English, العربية, Français and Español

#### **Revitalizing Growth: An Urgent Agenda for Latin America and the Caribbean**

Improving competition systems can help overcome persistent obstacles, says World Bank report WASHINGTON, April 10, 2024 – Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) has reached a critical juncture. While the...

Date: April 10, 2024 Type: Press Release

#### World Bank Group Announces New Approach to Measuring Impact

The World Bank Group is radically changing the way it tracks results, putting the focus squarely on lives improved rather than money out the door. WASHINGTON, April 9, 2024—The World Bank Group is developing...

Date: April 09, 2024 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.imf.org/en/News News April 12, 2024

Statement by Kristalina Georgieva on her Second Term as IMF Managing Director

Ms. Kristalina Georgieva, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), issued the following statement today.

April 12, 2024

IMF Executive Board Selects Kristalina Georgieva to Serve a Second Term as Managing Director

The Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) today selected Kristalina Georgieva to serve as IMF Managing Director and Chair of the Executive Board for a second five-year term starting on October 1, 2024. The Board's decision was taken by consensus.

April 11, 2024

Outlook for the Global Economy and Policy Priorities, Speech by IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva ahead of the 2024 IMF-World Bank Spring Meetings

Outlook for the Global Economy and Policy Priorities, Speech by IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva ahead of the 2024 IMF-World Bank Spring Meetings

April 10, 2024

**Industrial Policy Is Not a Magic Cure for Slow Growth** 

It can be tempting for countries to turn to industrial policy, but a policy mix supporting innovation more broadly can help boost economic growth.

April 10, 2024

World Must Prioritize Productivity Reforms to Revive Medium-Term Growth

Without ambitious steps to enhance productivity, global growth is set to fall far below its historical average.

#### April 9, 2024

**Rising Cyber Threats Pose Serious Concerns for Financial Stability** 

Greater digitalization and heightened geopolitical tensions imply that the risk of a cyberattack with systemic consequences has risen

#### April 9, 2024

#### **Emerging Markets Are Exercising Greater Global Sway**

Policymakers must be ready to manage greater spillovers to the global economy as emerging markets' influence grows

# African Development Bank [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases [We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week] Press Releases

#### African Development Bank publishes report on callable capital

12-Apr-2024 - The African Development Bank has published a report clarifying the legal framework. processes and governance for a call on the callable capital by the institution. Callable capital refers to the portion of the Bank's capital that is subscribed by shareholders but not immediately paid. It represents a commitment to make additional capital available to the institution in the very unlikely event that it cannot meet its obligations on its debts or guarantees.

# African Development Bank enhances ENABLE Youth Programs for greater impact

12-Apr-2024 - The African Development Bank successfully concluded a three-day workshop in Nairobi, Kenya, aimed at enhancing its Empowering Novel Agri-Business-Led Employment (ENABLE) Youth Program in preparation for its next phase. The ENABLE Youth program helps young African men and women access financing to grow their enterprises. Currently active in 15 countries with investments exceeding \$490 million, and benefiting around 40,000 youths, the program has emerged as a transformative force in fostering entrepreneurship and tackling youth unemployment.

# Asian Development Bank [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

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13 Apr 2024

ADB Remains at Forefront of Capital Management through Better Clarity on Callable Capital

A report released today by ADB on callable capital provides, for the first time, greater clarity and transparency regarding its utilization.

#### 11 Apr 2024

# ADB Forecasts Developing Asia's Economy to Grow 4.9% in 2024

Developing economies in Asia and the Pacific are forecast to expand by 4.9% on average this year as the region continues its resilient growth amid robust domestic demand, improving semiconductor exports, and recovering tourism.

#### 11 Apr 2024 ADB Forecasts People's Republic of China's Economy to Grow 4.8% this Year

The People's Republic of China's economy is forecast to grow 4.8% this year, amid a recovery of household consumption, ongoing property market adjustment, and weak external demand, according to the Asian Development Outlook April 2024, released today by ADB.

#### 09 Apr 2024

ADB Passes Half-Way Mark in \$14 Billion Food Security Commitment

ADB is on schedule to deliver its commitment to invest \$14 billion by 2025 to improve food security and support measures to ease the food crisis in Asia and the Pacific.

# Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/index.html</u> [We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of countrylevel announcements are added each week] No new digest content identified.

**IDB** – Inter-American Development Bank [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.iadb.org/en/home/press-room

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#### **Report Confirms IDB's Callable Capital Valuable**

April 12, 2024

Callable Capital at IDB is legally valid and binding and could be activated by Executive Directors. It remains a highly remote scenario, in line with the Bank's solid financial policy framework.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.ifad.org/web/latest/news News

09 APR Brazil: New IFAD-funded project to promote payment for environmental services will foster agroforestry transition in cocoa production areas in Bahia

# Islamic Development Bank [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.isdb.org/ News Mozambique Educating a Nation: The IsDB's Impact on Secondary Education in Mozambique 13 April 2024

*Togo* <u>A Ripple Effect of Progress: How Clean Water Ignited Change in Northern Togo</u> 13 April 2024

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#### :: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We 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 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org *Communiqués de presse Territoire Palestinien Occupé* <u>Action contre la Faim réaffirme son appel à un cessez-le-feu immédiat et permanent</u> Publié le 9 avril 2024

Depuis plus de 6 mois, la guerre à Gaza inflige des souffrances incommensurables à plus de 2 millions de Palestiniens. Elle provoque des milliers de morts, la faim, elle met des vies en danger et elle a obligé la quasi-totalité de la population de Gaza à quitter son foyer.

#### Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://alima.ngo/ PRESS RELEASES Conflict and Hunger in Sudan: an NGO call to action 04/11/2024

#### Amref Health Africa\_ [to 13 Apr 2024] https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/ Selected Press Releases No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 13 Apr 2024] https://aravind.org/ Aravind News Symposium on Molecular Genetics in Opthalmology – 2024 25 April 2024 ARAVIND EYE HOSPITAL

#### Blue Shield International [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-international-news/

BS International News No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.brac.net/#news Latest April 09, 2024 Donors, amidst the climate crisis, do not take your focus off of extreme poverty

# Clubhouse International [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

News/Events

Announcing World Seminar 2024: Sept. 14-19, in Richmond, BC, Canada!

We are excited to announce that we will be holding our next Clubhouse International World Seminar, co-hosted by Pathways Clubhouse, on September 14-19, 2024, in Richmond, British Columbia, Canada! We hope you will join us!

Danish Refugee Council [to 13 Apr 2024] https://pro.drc.ngo/resources/news/?t=Press+Release Press Releases No new digest content identified.

# ECPAT [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://ecpat.org/news/

ECPAT News

# New Study Reveals: Children Left Alone To Deal with Online Dangers

Brussels, 8 April 2024 – <u>New research by ECPAT International, Eurochild, and Terre des Hommes</u> <u>Netherlands</u> reveals an inconvenient truth: children often rely on their instincts to navigate the digital world due to a lack of actual or perceived alternatives, increasing their vulnerability to digital harm.

# EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://www.eifl.net/news</u> *EIFL works with libraries to enable access to knowledge for education, learning, research and sustainable community development No new digest content identified.* 

**Fountain House** [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.fountainhouse.org/news</u> *News* No new digest content identified.

# GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

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- :: Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review Current edition
- :: Informed Consent: A Monthly Review March 2024
- :: <u>Genomic Medicine Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice: A Monthly Digest</u> Oct 2023
- :: Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment 07 March 2024 Issue 14

# Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://hi.org/en/

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Gaza: "We need double the amount of supplies"

Emergency / Health / Rehabilitation / Occupied Palestinian Territories | PUBLISHED ON April 10th 2024

Crisis in North Kivu: mobile clinics providing essential care Emergency | Health | Democratic Republic of Congo | PUBLISHED ON April 10th 2024

# Heifer International [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.heifer.org/blog/newsworthy/index.html News

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/ Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports Empowering women through water: Addressing the gender gap

13 April 2024

Luke Tumelty, Programme Associate, Manager, delves into the gender disparities in access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH).

# Older Persons' Bill: Malawi's Landmark Legislation for Older People

9 April 2024

Malawi passed The Older Persons' Bill, marking a monumental leap forward for the country's ageing population.

**ICRC** [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

What's New [Selected]

Joint press release: International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement urges support for conflict victims: "We cannot let Sudan become another forgotten crisis"

Port Sudan/Nairobi/Geneva - One year of conflict in Sudan is taking a devastating human toll. Over 8 million people have been displaced, and tens of thousands have been killed or wounded. 08-04-2024 | News release

**IFRC** [to 13 Apr 2024] http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/ Press Releases [Selected] Press release 10/04/2024 IFRC calls for humane implementation of the European Pact on Asylum and Migration

Press release 10/04/2024 <u>A sense of 'futurelessness': new data shows severity of mental health challenges for</u> <u>people from Ukraine</u>

Press release 08/04/2024 <u>International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement urges support for conflict victims:</u> <u>'We cannot let Sudan become another forgotten crisis'</u>

Press release 07/04/2024 Gaza: Six months of inhumanity

#### **International Medical Corps (IMC)**

https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/ Selected Press Releases/Updates/Alerts What's New No new digest content identified.

#### IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.rescue.org/media-center Press Releases Remarks IRC joins collective call for support to the humanitarian response in Northern Central America April 12, 2024

Press Release IRC and partners stress the urgent need for cash programming at scale as Sudan is quickly becoming the world's largest hunger crisis April 12, 2024

Press Release

After one year of conflict in Sudan, a new report released by IRC highlights the faces of the world's worst displacement crisis April 12, 2024

April 12, 2024

Statement Before it's too late: Humanitarian organisations urge participants of the Paris Conference for Sudan and its Neighbouring Countries to take immediate action to prevent further suffering and death April 11, 2024

Statement The IRC shares our 2023 GEDI Annual Report April 11, 2024

#### **IRCT** [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://irct.org/

News

No new digest content identified...no apparent website areas for news or announcements except for X/twitter account

# Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

Press Releases

Global News

Empowering local humanitarians: How Islamic Relief UK's 24/7 emergency fund boosted the response to flooding in Nigeria through a STRIDE partner

#### April 8, 2024

Islamic Relief's swift response to the devastating floods in Nigeria in November 2022 exemplifies the power of our 24/7 Emergency Fund and our commitment to supporting local actors. This dedicated fund allows us to provide immediate financial assistance to our partners on the ground, enabling them to kickstart critical relief efforts without delay....

# Occupied Palestinian Territory News

# Attacked, starved and displaced: 6 months of suffering in Gaza

#### April 7, 2024

Since an unprecedented escalation began on October 7, life in Gaza has become almost unliveable. Families have been driven from their homes with little more than the clothes on their backs. Displaced and starving as famine looms, parents are faced with the impossible task of keeping their children safe and fed amid this...

# Landsea [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.landesa.org/press-and-media-categories/press-releases/ What's New No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

News Releases & Alerts

April 11, 2024

250+ humanitarian and human rights organisations call to stop arms transfers to Israel, Palestinian armed groups

An open call to all UN Member States to stop fueling the crisis in Gaza and avert further humanitarian catastrophe and...

# April 11, 2024

Sudan One Year On: It's Time to End the Silence

A catastrophic and largely overlooked year-long war in Sudan has led to a humanitarian disaster that UN officials...

# MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.msf.org/

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Conflict in Sudan

After a year of war in Sudan, a rapid scale up of response is needed to avoid catastrophe 13 Apr 2024

Haiti

In Port-au-Prince, the "violence is like gangrene, spreading and threatening us all." 10 Apr 2024

Conflict in Sudan

In Sudan, "the needs are growing by the day, but the response is deeply inadequate" 8 Apr 2024

# Norwegian Refugee Council [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.nrc.no/ Latest News

# A catastrophic year for Sudan

Published 11. Apr 2024

Statement by Will Carter, the Norwegian Refugee Council's country director for Sudan, on one year of war:

:: <u>24.8 million people</u> need humanitarian aid in 2024.

:: <u>6.5 million people</u> have been internally displaced since 15 April 2023 (IOM), in addition to 3.8 million already displaced prior to the start of the war, turning Sudan into the largest internal displacement crisis (<u>IOM</u>),

:: <u>Over 25 million people</u> across Sudan, South Sudan, and Chad are trapped in a spiral of deteriorating food security. including at least 17 million in Sudan. The war risks creating the world's largest hunger :: <u>1.76 million people</u> crossed Sudan's borders since 15 April, mainly to Chad, South Sudan, Egypt, Ethiopia, Uganda, and Central African Republic (UNHCR).

:: <u>A total of US\$2.70bn</u> are needed for this year's Sudan humanitarian response plan, of which less than 6 per cent has been funded so far.

OXFAM [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.oxfam.org/en/ Press Releases/Stories Securing land rights secures a brighter future

April 11, 2024 By Divya Amladi with reporting by Aimee Han

Oxfam partner influences establishment of equitable land policies in Timor-Leste and empowers citizens to fight for their land rights.

Pact [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://www.pactworld.org/</u> *Latest News & Highlights Blog* In Ukraine, mobile teams reconnect remote and frontline areas to medical and mental <u>health care</u> Larisa Kurashyna April 9, 2024 Partners In Health [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://www.pih.org/news</u> *News & Stories No new digest content identified.* 

**PATH** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.path.org/media-center/ Newsroom No new digest content identified.

# Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

# Conflict and hunger in Sudan: an NGO call to action

10 April 2024

The conflict in Sudan has already created the world's largest displacement crisis. Now fighting, displacement and lack of humanitarian access to the most vulnerable population places millions at risk of sliding into emergency levels of acute food insecurity and malnutrition.

# Save The Children [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.savethechildren.net/news News 13 April 2024 - Thailand As Thailand gears up to celebrate world's 'biggest water fight', extreme weather risks dampening children's joy

11 April 2024 - Ukraine UKRAINE: MARCH THE MOST DANGEROUS MONTH FOR CHILDREN SINCE LAST SUMMER

11 April 2024 - occupied Palestinian territory Over 250 Humanitarian and Human Rights Organisations join call to end Arms Transfers to Israel, Palestinian Armed Groups

10 April 2024 - Global **STATEMENT: New Migration & Asylum Pact will drastically undermine children's rights in** <u>Europe – Save the Children</u>

10 April 2024 - Sudan Sudan's year of war: one in two children in the line of fire

Tostan [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>http://www.tostan.org</u> *News & Stories* In Senegal, Daga's pledge to empower girls in her village Apr 9, 2024 In southern Senegal, Daga Baldé has become a passionate advocate for girls' and women's education. Denied the opportunity to complete her own...

Women for Women International [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.womenforwomen.org/blogs Articles Update on Gaza Community Kitchen By: Amani Mustafa

April 10, 2024 <u>5 Things to Know About Sudan</u>

World Vision [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.worldvision.org/about-us/media-center Press Releases & Resources No new digest content identified.

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#### Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.eff.org/updates?type=press\_release Our Work No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://freedomhouse.org/news-perspectives/press-releases-statements News Releases & Statements NEW REPORT: Authoritarian Violence Drives 20th Consecutive Year of Decline in Democratic Governance for Region Stretching from Central Europe to Central Asia April 11, 2024

Human Rights Watch [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://www.hrw.org/</u> *Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements* April 11, 2024 <u>Global Failures on Healthcare Funding</u>

New data from the World Health Organization shows that many governments around the world did not meet public healthcare spending benchmarks amid the Covid-19 pandemic. The new information indicates possible violations of countries' obligations to the human right to health.

Africa April 11, 2024 News Release Nigeria: 10 Years After Chibok, Schoolchildren Still at Risk

Asia April 11, 2024 News Release Thailand: Halt Forced Returns to Myanmar Middle East/North Africa April 9, 2024 Report Gaza: Israel's Imposed Starvation Deadly for Children

Transparency International [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.transparency.org/en/news News No new digest content identified.

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**ChildFund Alliance** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://childfundalliance.org/ Newsroom No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 13 Apr 2024] http://concordeurope.org/ Latest News and Events ODA ... missing the mark (again): Preliminary 2023 figures show EU aid keeps failing human development and equality Apr 12, 2024

The Elders [to 13 Apr 2024] https://theelders.org/news-insight News, Media Releases Courage and determination for peace must guide our response to global suffering Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

11 April 2024

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf calls for leaders to live up to their global responsibilities to deliver peace and justice.

Evidence Aid [to 13 Apr 2024]
Evidence Aid aims to save lives and livelihoods in disasters by providing decision-makers with the best available evidence and by championing its use.
<u>http://www.evidenceaid.org/</u>
Resources [Selected]
A qualitative review of COVID-19 experiences in low- and middle-income countries
Added April 13, 2024

Health of migrants in Iran from the perspective of social justice Added April 12, 2024

Health co-benefits of climate change adaptation in cities Added April 11, 2024 Gavi [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.gavi.org/ Press Releases Brazilian Ministry of Health and Gavi reaffirm partnership to advance equitable immunisation globally

Geneva/Brasilia, 11 April 2024 – The Brazilian Ministry of Health (MoH) and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance have signed a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on vaccine production, innovation and global access. This strengthened partnership reaffirms both partners' commitment to ensuring equitable access to life-saving vaccines. Gavi and Brazil will also promote integrating global health with other critical areas like finance, climate change and digital technology as part of the MoU...

**Global Fund** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/ News & Stories No new digest content identified.

#### ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://icvanetwork.org/ Latest Resources/Upcoming Events 2024 UNICEF-NGO Consultations

Theme: Partnering for Children in the Climate Crisis Date: 16 & 17 April 2024

InterAction [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.interaction.org/ Latest Updates Crises & Countries in Conflict Addressing the Humanitarian Crisis in Sudan: A Call to Action Mais Balkhi | Apr 11, 2024

Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict Optimizing Armed Actor Engagement for Protection Outcomes Katherine Kramer | Apr 8, 2024

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#### **3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation** [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.3ieimpact.org/ What's New/Events No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 13 Apr 2024] http://chsalliance.org/ Our Impact/Events No new digest content identified. **Development Initiatives** [to 13 Apr 2024] 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 13 Apr 2024] http://www.alnap.org/ News, Events No new digest content identified.

**Disasters Emergency Committee** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.dec.org.uk/ LATEST PRESS RELEASES No new digest content identified.

#### EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.elrha.org/resource-hub/news/ News No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://humanitarianstudies.ch/ News No new digest content identified.

**Groupe URD** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.urd.org/en/ Publications, Events, News No new digest content identified.

#### International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://ihsa.info/</u> *News No new digest content identified.* 

**INEE** – an international network for education in emergencies [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://inee.org/</u> *News/Events/Resources No new digest content identified.* 

## Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://phap.org/</u> *Association news, events No new digest content identified.* 

**Sphere** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://spherestandards.org/news/ News No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs</u> *News and Blog* <u>Start Network at the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week (HNPW) 2024</u> *News* 10 April 2024

Start Network will be at this year's Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Weeks (HNPW) to showcase learning from our programmes and advocate for more locally led and anticipatory action in the humanitarian sector.

Unitaid [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>https://unitaid.org/</u> *Featured News* 13 April 2024 <u>Ahead of World Chagas Day, Unitaid reiterates its commitment to fighting Chagas disease</u>

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Brookings [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.brookings.edu/ Research & Commentary A way forward on a US-Saudi civil nuclear agreement

Arms Control & Nonproliferation Robert Einhorn April 12, 2024

Five Hollywood writers discuss AI's impact on their careers

Artificial Intelligence Molly Kinder April 12, 2024

Hollywood writers went on strike to protect their livelihoods from generative AI. Their remarkable victory matters for all workers.

Artificial Intelligence Molly Kinder April 12, 2024

Ignore the sticker price: How have college prices really changed?

Higher Education Phillip Levine April 12, 2024

#### **Reforms for a 21st century global financial architecture**

Global Economy & Development Wafa Abedin, Brahima Sangafowa Coulibaly, Hafez Ghanem, Eswar Prasad, Marilou Uy April 8, 2024

## Social and development impact bonds by the numbers

Development Financing Emily Gustafsson-Wright, Elyse Painter April 8, 2024

## Center for Global Development [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.cgd ev.org/ All Research [Selected] CGD NOTES Implementing MDB Reforms: A Stocktake

G20 Independent Experts Group April 11, 2024

The pace of MDB reforms remains inadequate to have a material impact on sustainable development. Our assessment is buttressed by the results of a survey of international experts, who remain skeptical that there is enough momentum to implement sufficiently deep reforms across key areas. We have id...

## WORKING PAPERS Improving School Leadership in Rwanda

Simeon Lauterbach et al.

April 11, 2024

This study investigates the short-term impacts of a school leadership professional development program implemented in 525 randomly selected schools across Rwanda from 2018 to 2019. The program aimed to enhance the skills of school headteachers in leadership, management, and teacher support. Although...

#### CGD NOTES

#### Are MDBs Actually Implementing Reforms?

Nancy Lee and Samuel Matthews

April 11, 2024

The reform agenda is long and complicated. MDB shareholders, managers, and other stakeholders need a systematic way to assess progress as objectively and independently as possible. CGD has built this MDB reform tracker for this purpose. The aim is a comprehensive tool, but also a focus on reform pro...

POLICY PAPERS

Beyond the "Gavi-Eligible": High-Leverage Opportunities for Gavi to Enhance Vaccine Access and Uptake in Ineligible Middle-Income Countries

<u>Rachel Silverman Bonnifield</u> et al. April 08, 2024 The global locus of undervaccination is increasingly shifting from the poorest countries in the world which are eligible for support from Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance—to middle-income countries (MICs) that do not qualify for traditional Gavi support. Given these growing challenges, Gavi must rethink i...

#### Chatham House [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.chathamhouse.org/ Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

Independent Thinking: Has the world forgotten Sudar?

Millions are at risk as a result of Sudan's devastating civil war, but attention lies largely elsewhere. Has the world failed the people of Sudan? Audio

13 April 2024

#### Expert comment

Iran's desire to retaliate after Israel's Damascus strike is balanced with its need to avoid a wider conflict

Tehran's dilemma is finding a response that maintains its position in the 'axis of resistance' but does not precipitate an escalation which it would likely lose. 13 April 2024

#### Expert comment

#### The US-Japan meeting reveals the conviction of both nations to counter China

Prime Minister Kishida's state visit to Washington focused on security, but that alone will not be enough to influence the Indo-Pacific and beyond. 13 April 2024

#### Event recording

#### Watch: Two years to save the world

Executive secretary of UN Climate Change, Simon Stiell, lays out what needs to be done by COP30, and its long-term significance. 10 April 2024

#### **Council on Foreign Relations** [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.cfr.org/media/news-releases New Releases [Selected] No new digest content identified.

**CSIS** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.csis.org/ Reports, Commentary [Selected]

Mapping the Chip Smuggling Pipeline and Improving Export Control Compliance

In a new report from the Project on Trade and Technology, Adjunct Fellow Barath Harithas outlines specifics of the chip smuggling pipeline and provides detailed policy recommendations the U.S. government can adopt to reduce export control evasion. Report by Barath Harithas — April 9, 2024

**Eroding Trust in Government: What Games, Surveys, and Scenarios Reveal about** <u>Alternative Cyber Futures</u> In the future, malign actors will seek to undermine trust in government through disrupting basic needs and services such as food aid and medical assistance, in place of costly offensive cyber campaigns.

Report by Yasir Atalan, Benjamin Jensen, and Jose M. Macias III — April 8, 2024

## Ships, Trains, and Trucks: Unlocking Ukraine's Vital Trade Potential

The full-scale Russian invasion has devastating effects on Ukraine's trade causing vast destruction of its transport and logistics infrastructure. Ukraine and its partners have to be creative and determined in finding new trade corridors to support business operations.

Report by Romina Bandura, Ilya Timtchenko, and Benjamin Robb — April 8, 2024

**McKinsey Global Institute** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.mckinsey.com/mgi/overview

Latest Research No new digest content identified.

## ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://odi.org/en/publications/ Publications [Selected] No new digest content identified.

Pew Research Center [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.pewresearch.org/ Latest Publications [Selected] No new digest content identified.

Rand [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.rand.org/pubs.html Published Research [Selected] Report The Fates of Nations: Varieties of Success and Failure for Great Powers in Long-Term Rivalries Rivalries, especially with China, promise to define U.S. foreign policy and national security challenges

for decades. The authors identify historical modes of strategic success and failure in great power rivalries. Apr 10, 2024 Michael J. Mazarr, Alexis Dale-Huang, John Deak, Gregory Weider Fauerbach, Stacie Goddard, Timothy R. Heath, Joshua Shifrinson

**RoRI [Research on Research Institute]** [to 13 Apr 2024] http://researchonresearch.org/ *RoRI News, Events No new digest content identified.* 

**Alan Turing Institute** 

https://www.turing.ac.uk/ News No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.urban.org/publications New Research Publications - Selected

Essay

## **Understanding the Crisis in Institutional Trust**

April 9, 2024

Institutions are patterns of relationship. They form essential threads of our social contract. But those threads are fraying. In the United States, individuals' trust in major institutions has declined 22 percentage points since 1979.

Institutions face a range of profound challenges. A long-overdue reckoning with the history of racial injustice has highlighted how many institutions reflect patterns of inequity. Technology platforms have supercharged access to information but also reinforced bubbles of interpretation. Anti-elite sentiment has evolved into anti-institutional rebellion.

These forces are affecting institutions of all kinds—from disciplines like journalism to traditions like the nuclear family. This essay focuses on a particular type of institution: organizations. The decline in trust in organizations has practical implications: trust is essential to the day-to-day work of an organization—whether an elite university, a traffic court, or a corner store. The stakes for society are hard to overstate. Organizations "organize" much of our society, culture, and economy.

This essay is meant to offer background for ongoing conversations about the crisis in institutional trust. It does not claim to offer a solution; instead, it lays out the parts of the problem as a step toward shared solutions...

#### The Wistar Institute [to 13 Apr 2024]

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

Press Releases

April 10, 2024

<u>Wistar Scientists Identify Pro-aging 'Sugar Signature' in the Blood of People Living with</u> <u>HIV</u>

PRESS RELEASE CONTACT: Darien Sutton 215-898-3988 | dsutton@wistar.org The Abdel-Mohsen lab findings shed light on how sugar molecules in the blood of people living with HIV may accelerate biolog...

## World Economic Forum [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://agenda.weforum.org/press/ Media [Selected] No new digest content identified.

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**ISC / International Science Council** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://council.science/current/ ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

Blogs

Lighthouse funding programmes for sustainability research and innovation

In their last report, the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences outline best practices for designing and implementing sustainability research programmes. It draws lessons from best practices worldwide, including the ISC's LIRA 2030 Africa programme. 11.04.2024

## National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.nae.edu/31222/MediaRoom

Latest News & Press Releases

'AI Is a Tool, and Its Values Are Human Values'

Thu, April 11, 2024

NAE member Fei-Fei Li explains why AI and public life are at an inflection point in a new interview.

## National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://nam.edu/programs/

News [Selected]

<u>New Paper Outlines Draft Code of Conduct to Ensure That the Use of AI In Health and</u> <u>Health Care Meets Its Full Potential Reliably and Safely</u>

April 8, 2024

"This moment presents a unique opportunity for the health care community ... to act collectively and with intention to design the future in the era of AI."

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom? News Report Urges Changes to Preschool Curricula to Improve Equity and Support High-Quality Early Education in the U.S. News Release | April 11, 2024

#### National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.neh.gov/newsroom?f%5B0%5D=news\_type%3A281&f%5B1%5D=newsroom\_content\_ty pe%3Anews Newsroom Press Release NEH Awards \$411,000 to Tribal Communities for Projects on the History and Legacy of Federal Indian Boarding Schools April 10, 2024

NIH [to 13 Apr 2024] http://www.nih.gov/ New Releases No new digest content identified.

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# **CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://cioms.ch/

News; Publications; Events No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.thehastingscenter.org/for-media/ Press Releases, Events No new digest content identified.

**INSERM** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

## ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmacouticals for Human Heal [to 12 Apr 2024]

Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://www.ich.org/</u> *News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selective] No new digest content identified.* 

#### Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/news News No new digest content identified.

## World Medical Association [WMA] [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

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- :: Foundation/Major Donor Watch Selected Updates
- :: Journal Watch Key articles and abstracts from 100+ peer-reviewed journals

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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 13 Apr 2024]

https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/ News No new digest content identified.

## BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center Press Releases and Statements No new digest content identified.

## Blue Meridian Partners [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>http://www.emcf.org/capital-aggregation/blue-meridian-partners/</u> 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 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.aecf.org/newsroom/ Newsroom No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.clintonfoundation.org/media-center/ News & Updates No new digest content identified.

#### **Co Impact** [to 13 Apr 2024] <u>www.co-impact.io</u> *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 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/ News & Press News 09 April 2024 Ford Foundation Invests in Cohort of Artists Working to Protect Civic Space Around the World "Creativity and Civic Space" awards grants to 9 artists with a total budget of \$1.25M

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.getty.edu/news/all/ Latest News No new digest content identified.

**GHIT Fund** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press *Press Releases No new digest content identified.* 

**Grameen Foundation** [to 13 Apr 2024] https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases *Press Releases No new digest content identified.* 

#### William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/ Latest Updates [Selected] No new digest content identified.

#### HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 13 Apr 2024]

<u>https://www.hhmi.org/news</u> *Press Room No new digest content identified.* 

#### Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news Press Releases No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024] https://www.ikeafoundation.org/ Press Releases Changemakers Thami Schweichler, United Repair Center: "Change may be a phone call away." April 05, 2024

## Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html Latest News and Highlights No new digest content identified.

#### Kaiser Family Foundation [to13 Apr 2024]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post\_type=press-release Newsroom

<u>Nearly a Quarter of People Who Say They Were Disenrolled from Medicaid During the</u> <u>Unwinding Are Now Uninsured</u>

April 12, 2024 News Release

Nearly a quarter (23%) of adults who say they were disenrolled from Medicaid since early 2023 report being uninsured now, finds a new KFF national survey examining how the unwinding affected enrollees. Overall, 19% of adults who had Medicaid prior to the start of unwinding say they were disenrolled at...

#### Long COVID Rates Appear to be Stabilizing, Affecting About 1 in 10 Adults Who Have Had COVID April 9, 2024 News Release

COVID APRIL 9, 2024 News Release

Rates of long COVID have begun to flatten. About 1 in 10 adults with COVID have reported having long COVID since rates fell in 2023, according to a KFF analysis of the latest data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. If the rate continues to hold steady, new...

Kellogg Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]
<u>https://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media</u> *News & Media*Impact investors transform agriculture in the South
Apr. 12, 2024

## Innovation in action: A new toolkit for evaluation professionals to advance racial equity Leadership

Apr. 11, 2024

#### Aga Khan Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://the.akdn/en/resources-media/whats-new/press-release News Releases No new digest content identified.

## MacArthur Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

http://www.macfound.org/ Press Releases/What We're Learning Grantee Publications

## Dying from "Less-Lethal" Police Force

April 12, 2024 Journalism & Media

Grantee PBS <u>Frontline collaborated with the Associated Press</u> to tell the <u>stories of people who died</u> after the police used force that is supposed to be non-lethal. The team documented the killings of

people of all ages and races, in articles and a documentary. This type of death is undercounted, and in half of the cases, law enforcement is not cited as causing the death.

#### Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.mellon.org/press News No new digest content identified.

## Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 13 Apr 2024]

https://www.moore.org/news Recent News No new digest content identified.

#### Open Society Foundations [to 13 Apr 2024]

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<u>Is Data the Cure for Advancing Scientific Discovery? How Philanthropic Investment in</u> <u>Open Data Platforms Can Advance Science</u>

08 Apr 2024 By Bishakha Mona

In this first part of a two-part article, the Alliance looks at a powerful new funding opportunity—open data platforms. We examine the potential and pitfalls of investing...

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## **AJOB Empirical Bioethics**

Volume 15, 2023 Issue 1 <u>https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **AMA Journal of Ethics**

Volume 26, Number 4: E275-359 April 2024 <u>https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/critical-pedagogies-health-professions-education</u>

## Global Medical Supply Chain Security

Individual patients' safety and public health were compromised by critical drug shortages, substandard medications, and extremely restricted access to personal protective equipment during the COVID-19 pandemic. As health organizations and workers struggled to meet demands posed by unprecedented patient numbers and illness acuity, our complex global health ecosystem with long-standing upstream supply chain vulnerabilities failed to meet emergent downstream demand in several ways. First, material procurement and ingredient sourcing were inadequate. Second, operations lacking transparency made stopping propagation of substandard or falsified medications ineffective, inefficient, or impossible. Finally, logistical obfuscation made environmental consequences of waste management hard to assess and steward responsibly. Policy makers, health care organizations, regulators, manufacturers, and distributors each have roles in building and maintaining global medical supply chain security. This theme issue investigates how these and other agents' failures to cultivate public health capacity, nourish sustainable production processes, and carefully maintain systemic supply chain resiliency are neither accidental nor simply unfortunate, but unjust.

## Case and Commentary Apr 2024

## Which Drugs Should Be on the Essential Medicines List?

Courtney Perlino, MPP, Hilary Daniel, and Amy B. Cadwallader, PhD The WHO has a list of essential medicines. What about medicines that might not get to patients who need them on time?

## AMA Code Says Apr 2024

AMA Code of Medical Ethics' Opinions Related to Global Medical Supply Chain Security Maura McGinnity

When global medical supply chains fail, what should physicians do? AMA J Ethics. 2024;26(4):E303-305. doi: 10.1001/amajethics.2024.303.

## State of the Art and Science Apr 2024

Which Data Analytics Tool Should We Use to Evaluate Risk in Upstream Drug Supply Chains?

Matt Christian, MSc and Wejdan Bagais, MSc

Drug shortages are persistent and serious in the US, affecting care quality and costs. An early warning system could help.

## Medicine and Society Apr 2024 How Should Critical Medications Be Rationed During Shortages?

Erin R. Fox, PharmD, MHA and Matthew K. Wynia, MD, MPH Recent increases in the frequency of shortages require more rationing by clinicians.

## **American Journal of Human Genetics**

Apr 04, 2024 Volume 111 Issue 4 p621-806 <u>https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## American Journal of Infection Control

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## **American Journal of Preventive Medicine**

March 2024 Volume 66 Issue 3 p389-572 <u>https://www.ajpmonline.org/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **American Journal of Public Health**

May 2024 114(5) <u>http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 110 (2024): Issue 4 (Apr 2024) <u>https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/110/4/tpmd.110.issue-4.xml</u> *Perspectives* <u>Previous Malaria Exposures and Immune Dysregulation: Developing Strategies To Improve</u> <u>Malaria Vaccine Efficacy in Young Children</u> <u>Katherine R. Dobbs</u>, et al. <u>Article Category: Perspective</u> DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.23-0696</u> Page(s): 627–630

#### <u>Contemplating the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine Introduction in Pakistan: Is Now</u> <u>the Time?</u> <u>Rabab Batool</u>

Article Category: Perspective DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.4269/ajtmh.23-0790</u> Page(s): 631–632

## Annals of Internal Medicine

March 2024 Volume 177, Issue 3

## Antiquity – A Review of World Archlogy

Issue 398 - April 2024 https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest Research, Method & Debate

## French historical and contemporary archaeology: a critical assessment

## Elias Michaut

Modern and contemporary archaeology, the French equivalent of historical archaeology, emerged in the 1970s. Subsequent attempts at theorising this sub-discipline have been hindered by a lack of broad professional recognition and funding. While the archaeology of the sixteenth to eighteenth centuries is now more widely recognised in France, studies of the post-nineteenth-century period remain limited to a few specific contexts. Here, the author offers an overview for the Anglophone readers of modern and contemporary archaeology in France and argues that greater theorisation, cross-fertilisation with other archaeological traditions and a diversification of the range of themes considered might enhance recognition of this sub-discipline within and beyond France.

## **Anti-Trafficking Review**

No. 21 (2023)

https://antitraffickingreview.org/index.php/atrjournal/issue/view/32

Anti-Trafficking Review is the first open access, peer reviewed journal dedicated to the issue of human trafficking. It explores trafficking in its broader context and intersections with gender, labour, and migration.

## Special Issue - COVID-19: Labour, Migration, and Exploitation

This Special Issue of Anti-Trafficking Review examines the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the lives of low-wage, migrant, and informal workers. With contributions from Australia, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Europe, Nigeria, Brazil and the United States, it describes the experiences of temporary migrants, victims of trafficking, sex workers, internally displaced persons, and LGBTQ asylum seekers with violence, exploitation, discrimination, racism, and (lack of) access to healthcare and social protections. It also highlights the work of civil society organisations who stepped in to provide lifesaving support to people abandoned by the state. Importantly, contributors draw lessons from the pandemic and make policy and practice recommendations how to ensure that future disasters do not have the same negative impact on human rights.

## Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 330 May 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/330/suppl/C</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

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#### **BMC Public Health**

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) Epidemic intelligence in Europe: a user needs perspective to foster innovation in digital health surveillance

European epidemic intelligence (EI) systems receive vast amounts of information and data on disease outbreaks and potential health threats. The quantity and variety of available data sources for EI, as well as...

Authors: Fanny Bouyer, Oumy Thiongane, Alexandre Hobeika, Elena Arsevska, Aurélie Binot, Déborah Corrèges, Timothée Dub, Henna Mäkelä, Esther van Kleef, Ferran Jori, Renaud Lancelot, Alize Mercier, Francesca Fagandini, Sarah Valentin, Wim Van Bortel and Claire Ruault Citation: BMC Public Health 2024 24:973 Content type: Research Published on: 6 April 2024

#### **BMC Research Notes**

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#### **BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine**

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## **BMJ Global Health**

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## **Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists**

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## **Bulletin of the World Health Organization**

Volume 102(4); 2024 Apr 1 <u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/issues/458786/</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 50, Issue 3 May 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal**

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## **Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics**

Volume 115, Issue 3 Pages: 375-626 March 2024 https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current *Subcutaneous Biologics: Clinical Pharmacology and Drug Development* [Reviewed earlier]

## **Clinical Therapeutics**

March 2024 Volume 46 Issue 3 p185-304 <u>http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current</u> *Editorial* <u>Adapting and Advancing the Criteria for Scientific Evidence, Marketing, and Advice in the</u> <u>Changing World</u> Jill L. Maron

Published online: March 18, 2024

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Volume 21 Issue 2, April 2024 <u>https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/21/2</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Conflict and Health**

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/

[Accessed 13 Apr 2024]

War related disruption of clinical tuberculosis services in Tigray, Ethiopia during the recent regional conflict: a mixed sequential method study

More than 70% of the health facilities in Tigray, northern Ethiopia, have been totally or partially destroyed by the recent war in the region. Diagnosis and management of tuberculosis were among many health se...

Authors: Kibrom Gebreselasie Gebrehiwot, Gebremedhin Berhe Gebregergis, Measho Gebreslasie Gebregziabher, Teklay Gebrecherkos, Wegen Beyene Tesfamariam, Hailay Gebretnsae, Gebregziabher Berihu, Letebrhan Weldemhret, Goyitom Gebremedhn, Tsegay Wellay, Hadish Bekuretsion, Aregay Gebremedhin, Tesfay Gebregzabher Gebrehiwet and Gebretsadik Berhe Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18:29

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#### <u>The Red Cross Red Crescent Health Information System (RCHIS): an electronic medical</u> <u>records and health information management system for the red cross red crescent</u> <u>emergency response units</u>

The Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (RCRC) utilizes specialized Emergency Response Units (ERUs) for international disaster response. However, data collection and reporting within ERUs have been time-consum...

Authors: Felix Holl, Lauren Clarke, Thomas Raffort, Elvire Serres, Laura Archer and Panu Saaristo Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18:28

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## The impact of conflict on infectious disease: a systematic literature review

Conflict situations, armed or not, have been associated with emergence and transmission of infectious diseases. This review aims to identify the pathways through which infectious diseases emerge within conflic...

Authors: Valia Marou, Constantine I. Vardavas, Katerina Aslanoglou, Katerina Nikitara, Zinovia Plyta, Jo Leonardi-Bee, Kirsty Atkins, Orla Condell, Favelle Lamb and Jonathan E. Suk Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18:27 Content type: Review Published on: 8 April 2024

## **Contemporary Clinical Trials**

Volume 138 March 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/1387/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## The CRISPR Journal

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## **Current Medical Research and Opinion**

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Volume 24, Issue 1 Pages: 1-48 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current</u> *Access to Essential Medicines for Global Health and the Human Right to Health* [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Development in Practice**

Volume 34, Issue 2, 2024
<u>https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/34/2</u> **BRAC at 50: reflecting on 50 years of BRAC contributions to development knowledge and practice.** Guest Editors: Nicola Banks, Nusrat Jahan, and Imran Matin *Editorial* **BRAC at 50: reflecting on 50 years of BRAC contributions to development knowledge and practice**Nicola Banks, Nusrat Jahan & Imran Matin
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Published online: 13 Apr 2024

#### Article BRAC in Bangladesh and beyond: bridging the humanitarian—development nexus through <u>localisation</u> Sophie Roborgh, Nicola Banks, Md. Akramul Islam, K.A.M. Morshed & Jérôme Oberreit Pages: 238-252

Published online: 28 Nov 2023

#### **Development Policy Review** Volume 42, Issue 2 March 2024

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Volume 48, Issue 2 April 2024 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/2024/48/2 [Reviewed earlier]

## **EMBO Reports**

Volume 25 Issue 4 13 April 2024 https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current Editorial 20 March 2024 <u>AI to publish knowledge: a tectonic shift</u> Thomas Lemberger

The rise of generative AI will transform scientific publishing but it also poses risks. While AI enables the dissemination of knowledge in computable form, preserving transparency and human values will become even more important for maintaining trust in the scientific discourse.

## Opinion 5 February 2024

**Clinical trials and tribulations** 

Frank Gannon

We need better post-approval monitoring and reporting to assess the efficiency of new cancer therapies in the real world beyond clinical trials.

Science & Society 4 March 2024

The ethical and legal challenges of human foetal brain tissue-derived organoids: At the intersection of science, ethics, and regulation

Tsutomu Sawai, Masanori Kataoka

The recent generation of brain organoids from human foetal tissue highlights the need for nuanced ethical considerations and international coordination to navigate the complexities of this research and its broader implications for developmental neuroscience and ethical debates.

## **Emerging Infectious Diseases**

Volume 30, Number 4—April 2024 http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/ [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 152 - 2024 <u>https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Ethics & Human Research**

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## **Ethics, Medicine and Public Health**

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## **Food Security**

Volume 16, Issue 1 February 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/16-1</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Forced Migration Review (FMR)

September 2023 https://www.fmreview.org/ukraine Ukraine: Insights and implications The war on Ukraine has caused forced displacement on a scale and at a speed not witnessed in Europe since World War II. This issue seeks to address questions that have arisen out of the crisis, reflecting on the lessons learned from the immediate response and the implications for the international refugee and asylum system.

This issue is available in English, <u>Ukrainian</u> and <u>Russian</u>. We encourage you to share it with your networks.

#### **Foreign Affairs**

March/April 2024 Volume 103, Number 2 <u>https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2023/103/2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### Forum for Development Studies

Volume 51, 2024 - Issue 1 <u>http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Genetics in Medicines**

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#### Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

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## Global Legal Monitor & Legal Reports – Library of Congress/USA

https://www.loc.gov/collections/global-legal-monitor/

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Article

Egypt: New Draft Law to Enhance Penalty for Insulting Public Officials

On February 22, 2024, The Egyptian Cabinet submitted to the parliament a draft law to modify some provisions of the penal code related to the crime of insulting public officials, judges, members of the public prosecution, and those who provide public services. Contributor: Sadek, George Date: 2024-04-09

Book/Printed Material

Legal treatment of embryos created through IVF : Australia, France, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Sweden, United Kingdom "LL File No. 2024-023075." "March 2024." Includes bibliographical references. Description based on online resource; title from PDF cover (Law Library of Congress, viewed March 5, 2024).

Contributor: Gilbert, Louis A. - Hofverberg, Elin - Feikert-Ahalt, Clare - Gesley, Jenny - Law Library of Congress (U.S.). Global Legal Research Directorate - Fremer, Iana - Buchanan, Kelly (Kelly S.) -Figueroa, Dante - Soares, Eduardo (Eduardo Da Gama) Date: 2024

## **Global Public Health**

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## **Globalization and Health**

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## **Health and Human Rights**

Volume 25, Issue 2, December 2023 <u>https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-25-issue-2-december-2023/</u> *Special Section: Economic Inequality and the Right to Health* [Reviewed earlier]

## Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 19 - Issue 1 - January 2024 <u>https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Health Policy and Planning**

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## **Health Research Policy and Systems**

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## **Human Gene Therapy**

Volume 35, Issue 5-6 / March 2024 <u>https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/35/5-6</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Human Rights Quarterly**

Volume 46, Number 1, February 2024 https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/52013 Table of Contents [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Humanitarian Practice Network**

https://odihpn.org/ Featured Publications

#### From humanitarian resistance to resilience: Nation-building in active conflict

Our latest Network Paper explores resistance movements that are picking up pace in Myanmar – one of the most violent places in the world – and what this means for nation-building in active conflict. April 10, 2024 Adelina Kamal, Rin Fujimatsu

#### **Implementation Research and Practice**

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#### **Infectious Agents and Cancer**

http://www.infectagentscancer.com/ [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

## **Infectious Diseases of Poverty**

http://www.idpjournal.com/content [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] Towards an actionable One Health approach Authors: Xiao-Xi Zhang, Zohar Lederman, Le-Fei Han, Janna M. Schurer, Li-Hua Xiao, Zhi-Bing Zhang, Qiu-Lan Chen, Dirk Pfeiffer, Michael P. Ward, Banchob Sripa, Sarah Gabriël, Kuldeep Dhama, Krishna Prasad Acharya, Lucy J. Robertson, Sharon L. Deem, Cécile Aenishaenslin... Content type: Opinion 13 April 2024

Despite the increasing focus on strengthening One Health capacity building on global level, challenges remain in devising and implementing real-world interventions particularly in the Asia-Pacific region. Recognizing these gaps, the One Health Action Commission (OHAC) was established as an academic community for One Health action with an emphasis on research agenda setting to identify actions for highest impact.

## **International Health**

Volume 16, Issue 2, March 2024 <u>https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/16/2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **International Human Rights Law Review**

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#### **International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health**

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#### **International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction**

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#### **International Journal of Epidemiology**

Volume 53, Issue 2, April 2024 <u>https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/53/2</u> *Opinion* <u>Moral jeopardy, conflicts of interest and the integrity of public health research</u> Peter J Adams and Melissa-Jade Gregan

## **International Journal of Heritage Studies**

Volume 30, 2024 Issue 6 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current

Oceanic geographies and maritime heritage in making: Producing history, memory and territory

Article

#### Introduction: theorising heritage for the seas

Edyta Roszko & Tim Winter Pages: 615-622 Published online: 27 Feb 2024 *ABSTRACT* 

This Introduction makes the case for a more critical engagement with oceans and the maritime within critical heritage theory. We lay out a research agenda that more consciously foregrounds aquatic domains in debates about conservation, sovereignty, governance, state power, and the politics of memory. In laying the ground for the papers that follow, we portray oceanic geographies and maritime heritage as politically and culturally charged arenas in order to argue that oceans are far from neutral or culturally egalitarian spaces and are subject to human-imposed hierarchies and competing ontologies. We scrutinize the dynamic interplay between maritime and marine realms to challenge conventional understandings of space, territory, and ownership, advocating for a reimagined approach to heritage that recognizes the ocean's pivotal role in shaping human history and culture.

#### **International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare**

Volume 17 Issue 1 2024 <u>https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/17/iss/1</u> *Table of contents* [Reviewed earlier]

#### **International Migration Review**

Volume 58 Issue 1, March 2024 <u>https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## International Review of Education – Journal of Lifelong Learning

Volume 70, Issue 1 February 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/11159/volumes-and-issues/70-1</u> *Articles* <u>Education in an age of moral helplessness</u> Paul Stanistreet *Editorial* 12 March 2024

## **International Review of the Red Cross**

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Protecting the Environment in Armed Conflict

[27 articles ]

In the context of the historical development of international humanitarian law (IHL), the specific protection of the environment is relatively recent. Still, in the almost fifty years since the first treaty

rules emerged explicitly protecting the environment during armed conflict, modern understandings of the relationships among ecological and human health, on one hand, and the multi-layered and diverse threats that armed conflicts pose to the environment, on the other hand, have significantly advanced. This issue of the International Review of the Red Cross delves into the many ways that conflict can adversely impact the environment. The articles within it develop thoughtful analysis regarding how the existing international legal framework protects the environment during armed conflict.

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

October 2023 - Volume 21 - Issue 2 <u>https://journals.lww.com/invn/pages/currenttoc.aspx</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Issues in Science and Technology**

Vol. XL, No. 2, Winter 2024 https://issues.org/issue/40-2/ [Reviewed earlier]

## JAMA

April 9, 2024, Vol 331, No. 14, Pages 1165-1254 <u>https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **JAMA Health Forum**

April 2024, Vol 5, No. 4 <u>https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama-health-forum/issue</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **JAMA Pediatrics**

April 2024, Vol 178, No. 4, Pages 326-422 <u>https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/currentissue</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **JBI Evidence Synthesis**

March 2024 - Volume 22 - Issue 3 <u>https://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Adolescent Health**

April 2024 Volume 74 Issue 4 p629-860 <u>https://www.jahonline.org/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research**

Vol. 79 (2024) https://www.jair.org/index.php/jair *Contents* [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Community Health**

Volume 49, Issue 2 April 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/49-2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Journal of Current Medical Research and Opinion

...a peer-reviewed, international journal for the rapid publication of original research on new and existing drugs and therapies, and post-marketing investigations. Equivalence, safety and efficacy/effectiveness studies are especially encouraged. Vol. 7 No. 01 (2024), January 2, 2024, Page 1988-1996 <u>https://www.cmro.in/index.php/jcmro/issue/view/75</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Journal of Cultural Heritage**

Volume 66 Pages 1-628 (March–April 2024) <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/66/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

Volume 14 Issue 2 <u>https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/14/iss/2</u> *Contents* [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Development Economics**

Article 103266

Volume 168 May 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/168/suppl/C</u> *Research article Abstract only* <u>Keeping refugee children in school and out of work: Evidence from the world's largest</u> <u>humanitarian cash transfer program</u> Aysun Hızıroğlu Aygün, Murat Güray Kırdar, Murat Koyuncu, Quentin Stoeffler

Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 19 Issue 1-2, February–April 2024 http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current [Reviewed earlier]

#### Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

March 2024 - Volume 78 - 3 <u>https://jech.bmj.com/content/78/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 17, Issue 1 Pages: 1-235 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/17565391/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Journal of Global Ethics**

Volume 19, Issue 3 (2023) <u>http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjge20/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

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

Volume 35, Number 1, February 2024 https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/52063 *Table of Contents* [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Journal of Human Trafficking**

Volume 10, Issue 2, 2024 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current

## Bridging the Gaps in Our Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

This Special Issue (SI) seeks to collect the most current knowledge on gaps in the research realm or intervention development. For example, until recently, the primary focus of intervention and prevention efforts has focused on the supply side of the equation. There needs to be more quality research on the demand side of the equation. Similarly, there are ongoing issues of reliable data (i.e., measurement) and how best to collect it; the issue of under-counting and possible system failure issues; navigating the existing "system" and its barriers; the challenges of prosecutions and convictions; and "siloing" of NGOs, among a host of other themes and issues.

The SI's focus is broad, and we do not want to prejudice the process by assuming that all the (primary) challenges are adequately understood and addressed in our efforts to combat human trafficking. Instead, as acknowledged by experts in the field, we invited a group of experienced researchers and practitioners to contribute to this collective effort. More importantly, we sought voices from the global south for inclusion in this volume, e.g., India, Cambodia, and South Africa.

To assure adequate coverage and balance against the traditional preference for academic-type research papers, we included two broad types of articles in this volume: shorter articles (around 2,500 words) from several front-line organizations and services that speak directly (from their experience) to the challenges of meeting their objectives and mandates and full-length empirically based articles to point out or address some of the gaps in "human trafficking" (HT) research.

#### Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 26, Issue 2 April 2024 https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/volumes-and-issues/26-2 [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies**

Volume 22, 2024 \_ Issue 1 <u>https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Journal of Infectious Diseases**

Volume 229, Issue 3, 15 March 2024 <u>https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/229/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of International Development**

Volume 36, Issue 3 Pages: 3-1943 April 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current</u> Research Articles Open Access <u>What explains collective action: The impact of social capital, incentive structures and</u> <u>economic benefits</u> Engjell Skreli, Orjon Xhoxhi, Drini Imami, Klodjan Rama Pages: 1622-1646 First Published: 28 December 2023

**Open Access** 

Perceptions of poverty: Evaluating Multidimensional Poverty Assessment Tool derived rankings and global development indicators in five African nations

Fanny Minjauw, Md Rasheduzzaman, Philipp Baumgartner, Peter Dorward, Graham Clarkson, Alasdair Cohen Pages: 1832-1847 First Published: 13 February 2024

## Inclusive human development effect of financial inclusion in sub-Saharan Africa: A gender perspective

Issa Dianda, Idrissa Ouedraogo, Hamidou Sawadogo Pages: 1896-1917 First Published: 19 February 2024

#### **Journal of Medical Ethics**

April 2024 - Volume 50 - 4 <u>http://jme.bmj.com/content/current</u> *Original research* Blaming the unvaccinated during the COVID-19 pandemic: the roles of political ideology and risk perceptions in the USA (9 June, 2023) Maja Graso, Karl Aquino, Fan Xuan Chen, Kevin Bardosh

Enhancing social value considerations in prioritising publicly funded biomedical research: the vital role of peer review (24 May, 2023) Katherine W Saylor, Steven Joffe

#### The ethics of firing unvaccinated employees (30 May, 2023)

Maxwell J Smith

Extended essay

Research ethics and public trust in vaccines: the case of COVID-19 challenge trials (20 May, 2022)

Nir Eyal

#### **Journal of Operations Management**

Volume 70, Issue 2 Pages: 181-340 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/18731317/current</u> *Closed-Loop Supply Chains with Product Remanufacturing: Challenges and Opportunities* Issue Edited by: Saurabh Bansal, V. Daniel R. Guide, Sergey Naumov [New issue; No digest content identified]

## Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 11, Issue 1 (2024) <u>https://institutionalrepository.aah.org/jpcrr/</u> *Editorial* <u>Research Frameworks: Critical Components for Reporting Qualitative Health Care</u> <u>Research</u> Ann Z. George

#### Reviews

Patient Perspectives on the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Health Care: A Scoping Review

Sally Moy, Mona Irannejad, Stephanie Jeanneret Manning, Mehrdad Farahani, Yomna Ahmed, Ellis Gao, Radhika Prabhune, Suzan Lorenz, Raza Mirza, and Christopher Klinger

Artificial intelligence (AI) technology is being rapidly adopted into many different branches of medicine. Although research has started to highlight the impact of AI on health care, the focus on patient perspectives of AI is scarce. This scoping review aimed to explore the literature on adult patients' perspectives on the use of an array of AI technologies in the health care setting for design and deployment.

## **The Journal of Pediatrics**

Volume 266 March 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/the-journal-of-pediatrics/vol/266/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice**

Volume 17, Issue 1 (2024) Issue 1 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/jppp20/17/1 [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Public Health Management & Practice**

March/April 2024 - Volume 30 - Issue 2 <u>https://journals.lww.com/jphmp/pages/currenttoc.aspx</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Journal of Public Health Policy**

Volume 45, issue 1, March 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/volumes-and-issues/45-1</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Journal of the Royal Society – Interface

April 2024 Volume 21 Issue 213 <u>https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rsif/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Journal of Travel Medicine**

Volume 31, Issue 3 April 2024 <u>https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue</u> *Review* <u>Humoral immunogenicity of primary yellow fever vaccination in infants and children: a</u> <u>systematic review, meta-analysis and meta-regression</u>

#### **Journal on Education in Emergencies**

Volume 9, Number 1 - (Dec 2023) <u>https://inee.org/resources/journal-education-emergencies-volume-9-number-1</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### The Lancet

Apr 13, 2024 Volume 403 Number 10435 p1419-1512 https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current Health Policy

<u>A legal mapping of 48 WHO member states' inclusion of public health emergency of international concern, pandemic, and health emergency terminology within national emergency legislation in responding to health emergencies</u>

Clare Wenham, Liam Stout

Open Access

Summary

WHO has determined a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC) seven times, and beyond this nomenclature declared COVID-19 to be a pandemic. Under the International Health Regulations (IHR), and through their operationalisation in the joint external evaluation (JEE), governments are urged to create suitable legislation to be able to enact a response to a public health emergency. Whether the pandemic declaration had a greater effect than a PHEIC in encouraging governments to act, however, remains conjecture, as there is no systemic analysis of what each term means in practice and whether either has meaningful legal implications at the national level.

We undertook a legal scoping review to assess the utilisation of PHEIC and pandemic language within national legislation in 28 WHO member states. Data were collected from national websites, JEE reviews, COVID Analysis and Mapping of Policies Tool, Natlex, and Oxford Compendium of National

Legal Responses to COVID-19. We found that only 16% of countries have any reference to the PHEIC in national legislation and 37.5% of countries reference the term pandemic.

This finding paints a weakened picture of the IHR and PHEIC mechanisms. Having such legalese enshrined in legislation might enhance the interaction between WHO determining a PHEIC or declaring a pandemic and resulting action to mitigate transnational spread of disease and enhance health security. Given the ongoing negotiations at WHO in relation to the amendments to the IHR and creation of the pandemic accord, both of which deal with this declaratory power of the PHEIC and pandemic language, negotiators should understand the possible implications of any changes to these proclamations at the national level and for global health security.

#### The Lancet Child & Adolescent Health

Mar 2024 Volume 8 Number 3 p175-244, e2-e5 <u>https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanchi/issue/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Lancet Digital Health

Mar 2024 Volume 6 Number 3 e145-e229 <u>https://www.thelancet.com/journals/landig/issue/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Lancet Global Health**

Mar 2024 Volume 12 Number 3 e341-e529 <u>https://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Lancet Infectious Diseases**

Mar 2024 Volume 24 Number 3 p217-328, e137-e206 https://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/issue/current [Reviewed earlier]

#### Lancet Public Health

Mar 2024 Volume 9 Number 3 e147-e206 <u>https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpub/issue/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### Lancet Respiratory Medicine

Mar 2024 Volume 12 Number 3 p181-254, e7-e12 <u>https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanres/issue/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Maternal and Child Health Journal**

Volume 28, Issue 3 March 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/10995/volumes-and-issues/28-3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Medical Decision Making (MDM)

Volume 44 Issue 3, April 2024 <u>http://mdm.sagepub.com/content/current</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

#### The Milbank Quarterly

A Multidisciplinary Journal of Population Health and Health Policy Volume 102, Issue 1 Pages: 1-269 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14680009/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Nature

Volume 628 Issue 8007, 11 April 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nature/volumes/627/issues/8007</u> *Editorial* 09 Apr 2024 **Rwanda 30 years on: understanding the horror of genocide** Researchers must support and elevate the voices of Rwanda's scholars and survivors.

#### Opinion

#### AI can help to tailor drugs for Africa — but Africans should lead the way

Computational models that require very little data could transform biomedical and drug development research in Africa, as long as infrastructure, trained staff and secure databases are available. Gemma Turon, Mathew Njoroge, Kelly Chibale

#### **Nature Biotechnology**

Volume 42 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nbt/volumes/42/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Nature Communications**

https://www.nature.com/subjects/health-sciences/ncomms (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

## **Nature Genetics**

Volume 56 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/ng/volumes/56/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Nature Human Behaviour**

Volume 8 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nathumbehav/volumes/8/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Nature Medicine**

Volume 30 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nm/volumes/30/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Nature Reviews Drug Discovery**

Volume 23 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nrd/volumes/23/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Nature Reviews Genetics**

Volume 25 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nrg/volumes/25/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Nature Reviews Immunology**

Volume 24 Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://www.nature.com/nri/volumes/24/issues/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **New England Journal of Medicine**

Volume 390 No. 13 April 04, 2024 <u>https://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal</u> [New issue; No digest content identified]

#### **NEJM Evidence**

Volume 3 No. 4 April 2024 <u>https://evidence.nejm.org/toc/evid/current</u> *NEJM Evidence, a new monthly digital journal from NEJM Group, presents innovative original research and fresh, bold ideas in clinical trial design and clinical decision-making.* [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Pediatrics**

Volume 153, Issue 4 April 2024 <u>https://publications.aap.org/pediatrics/issue/153/4</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **PharmacoEconomics**

Volume 42, Issue 3 March 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/40273/volumes-and-issues/42-3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **PLoS Biology**

https://journals.plos.org/plosbiology/ (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) Symbiosis: In search of a deeper understanding Thomas A. Richards, Nancy A. Moran Editorial | published 13 Apr 2024 PLOS Biology https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3002595

## Symbiotic revolutions at the interface of genomics and microbiology

John M. Archibald Perspective | published 09 Apr 2024 PLOS Biology https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3002581

## Symbiosis takes a front and center role in biology

Margaret McFall-Ngai Perspective | published 05 Apr 2024 PLOS Biology https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3002571

## **PLoS Genetics**

https://journals.plos.org/plosgenetics/ (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

## **PLoS Global Public Health**

https://journals.plos.org/globalpublichealth/search?sortOrder=DATE\_NEWEST\_FIRST&filterStartDate=2 021-10-01&filterJournals=PLOSGlobalPublicHealth&q=&resultsPerPage=60 (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) Exploring ethical practice in NGOS on mental health research in Malawi Action Amos, Cristobal Guerra, Corinne Reid, Edgardo Toro, Clara Calia Research Article | published 11 Apr 2024 PLOS Global Public Health https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0003001

## The World Health Organization was born as a normative agency: Seventy-five years of global health law under WHO governance

Lawrence O. Gostin, Benjamin Mason Meier, Safura Abdool Karim, Judith Bueno de Mesquita, Gian Luca Burci, Danwood Chirwa, Alexandra Finch, Eric A. Friedman, Roojin Habibi, Sam Halabi, Tsung-Ling Lee, Brigit Toebes, Pedro Villarreal Review | published 11 Apr 2024 PLOS Global Public Health https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0002928

## **PLoS Medicine**

http://www.plosmedicine.org/ (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) Long-term variations of urban–Rural disparities in infectious disease burden of over 8.44 million children, adolescents, and youth in China from 2013 to 2021: An observational study Li Chen, Yi Xing, Yi Zhang, Junqing Xie, Binbin Su, Jianuo Jiang, Mengjie Geng, Xiang Ren, Tongjun Guo, Wen Yuan, Qi Ma, Manman Chen, Mengjie Cui, Jieyu Liu, Yi Song, Liping Wang, Yanhui Dong, Jun Ma

Research Article | published 13 Apr 2024 PLOS Medicine <u>https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1004374</u>

... Conclusions

A significant urban–rural disparity in notifiable infectious diseases among children, adolescents, and youths was evident from our study. The burden in urban areas exceeded that in rural areas by more than 2-fold, and this gap appears to be widening, particularly influenced by tuberculosis, scarlet fever, infectious diarrhea, and typhus. These findings underscore the urgent need for interventions to mitigate infectious diseases and address the growing urban–rural disparity.

## **PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases**

http://www.plosntds.org/ (Accessed 13 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

## PLoS One

http://www.plosone.org/ [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] Who shares fake news on social media? Evidence from vaccines and infertility claims in sub-Saharan Africa Kerstin Unfried, Jan Priebe Research Article | published 09 Apr 2024 PLOS ONE https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0301818

## **PLoS Pathogens**

http://journals.plos.org/plospathogens/ [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

## **PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States**

April 9, 2024 vol. 121 no. 15 <u>https://www.pnas.org/toc/pnas/121/15</u> *Perspective Microbiology*  **Pathogen prospecting of museums: Reconstructing malaria epidemiology** Mark P. Nelder, Rachel Schats,[...] Megan B. Brickley Received July 28, 2023; accepted February 6, 2024 March 25, 2024 121 (15) e2310859121 <u>https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2310859121</u> *Abstract* Malaria is a disease of global significance. Ongoing changes to the earth's climate, antimalarial

Malaria is a disease of global significance. Ongoing changes to the earth's climate, antimalarial resistance, insecticide resistance, and socioeconomic decline test the resilience of malaria prevention programs. Museum insect specimens present an untapped resource for studying vector-borne pathogens, spurring the question: Do historical mosquito collections contain Plasmodium DNA, and, if so, can museum specimens be used to reconstruct the historical epidemiology of malaria? In this

Perspective, we explore molecular techniques practical to pathogen prospecting, which, more broadly, we define as the science of screening entomological museum specimens for human, animal, or plant pathogens. Historical DNA and pathogen prospecting provide a means of describing the coevolution of human, vector, and parasite, informing the development of insecticides, diagnostics, therapeutics, and vaccines.

Research Article April 1, 2024

Spatial spillovers of violent conflict amplify the impacts of climate variability on malaria risk in sub-Saharan Africa

Africa carries a disproportionately high share of the global malaria burden, accounting for 94% of malaria cases and deaths worldwide in 2019. It is also a politically unstable region and the most vulnerable continent to climate change in recent decades. ... Qiwei Yu, Ying Qu, [...] Suhong Liu

**PNAS Nexus** 

Volume 3, Issue 3, March 2024 <u>https://academic.oup.com/pnasnexus/issue/3/3</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Prehospital & Disaster Medicine**

Volume 39 - Issue 1 - February 2024 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/prehospital-and-disaster-medicine/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

## **Preventive Medicine**

Volume 180 March 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/preventive-medicine/vol/180/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Proceedings of the Royal Society B

10 April 2024 Volume 291 Issue 2020 https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rspb/current [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Public Health**

Volume 228 Pages e1-e4, 1-206 (March 2024) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/public-health/vol/228/suppl/C Special Section on Disease Surveillance & Response [Reviewed earlier]

## **Public Health Ethics**

Volume 16, Issue 3, November 2023 <u>http://phe.oxfordjournals.org/content/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Public Health Genomics**

2024, Vol. 27, No. 1 https://karger.com/phg/issue/27/1 [Reviewed earlier]

## **Public Health Reports**

Volume 139 Issue 2, March/April 2024 <u>https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/phrg/139/2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Qualitative Health Research**

Volume 34 Issue 5, April 2024 <u>https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/QHR/current</u> *Research article* First published December 1, 2023 **Qualitative Systematic Literature Review: Participatory Visual Methods in Community** <u>Health Interventions With Migrants</u> Frederikke Sissel Blohm, Marie Honoré Jacobsen, Sarah Fredsted Villadsen, Catharina Thiel Sandholdt

## **Refugee Survey Quarterly**

Volume 43, Issue 1, March 2024 <u>http://rsq.oxfordjournals.org/content/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

Research Ethics Volume 20 Issue 2, April 2024 <u>http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/reab/current</u> *Special collection: Research Integrity and Research Misconduct Original Articles Research article* First published January 19, 2024 <u>A commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion': a conceptual framework for equality</u> <u>of opportunity in Patient and Public Involvement in research</u> Sapfo Lignou, et al.

*Research article* First published October 11, 2023 <u>Ethical human participant research in Central Asia: a quantitative analysis of attitudes and</u> <u>practices among social science researchers based in the region</u> Aipara Berekeyeva, et al.

*Research article* First published October 31, 2023 <u>Challenges facing Arab researchers in conducting and publishing scientific research: a</u> <u>qualitative interview study</u> Alya Elgamri, et al.

**Reproductive Health** http://www.reproductive-health-journal.com/content

#### [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] Sexual and reproductive health among forcibly displaced persons in urban environments in low and middle-income countries: scoping review findings

Authors: Carmen H. Logie, Frannie MacKenzie, Kalonde Malama, Nicole Lorimer, Anoushka Lad, Michelle Zhao, Manjulaa Narasimhan, Sasha Fahme, Bülent Turan, Julia Kagunda, Kelika Konda, Aryssa Hasham and Amaya Perez-Brumer Content type: Review 13 April 2024

## Revista Panamericana de Salud Pública/Pan American Journal of Public Health (RPSP/PAJPH)

https://www.paho.org/journal/en [No new digest content identified]

## **Risk Analysis**

Volume 44, Issue 3 Pages: 509-737 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15396924/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Risk Management and Healthcare Policy**

https://www.dovepress.com/risk-management-and-healthcare-policy-archive56 [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [Reviewed earlier]

## Science

Volume 384| Issue 6692|13 Apr 2024 https://www.science.org/toc/science/current *Editorial* Teach philosophy of science

BY H. Holden Thorp

## 11 Apr 2024:

Much is being made about the erosion of public trust in science. Surveys show a modest decline in the United States from a very high level of trust, but that is seen for other institutions as well. What is apparent from the surveys is that a better explanation of the nature of science—that it is revised as new data surface—would have a strong positive effect on public trust. Because scientists are so aware of this feature, it is often taken for granted that the public understands this too. A step toward addressing this problem would be revising undergraduate and graduate curricula to teach not just theories and techniques but the underlying philosophy of science as well...

## Policy Forum

## **Opportunities to grow tribal clean energy in the US**

BY Kimberly C. Yazzie, et al. 11 Apr 2024: 163-165 Bold action is needed to address unmanageable time scales, limited access to information, and a need to build capacity

## Science and Engineering Ethics

Volume 30, Issue 2 April 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/11948/volumes-and-issues/30-2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## **Science Translational Medicine**

Volume 16|Issue 742| 10 Apr 202 https://www.science.org/toc/stm/current [New issue; No digest content identified]

## **Scientific Reports**

https://www.nature.com/srep/articles?type=article [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

## **Social Science & Medicine**

Volume 346 April 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/social-science-and-medicine/vol/346/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Stability: International Journal of Security & Development

http://www.stabilityjournal.org/articles [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Stanford Social Innovation Review**

Winter 2024 Volume 22, Number 1 https://ssir.org/issue/winter\_2024#

Read about how design thinking should be retooled to better serve communities, how foundations and nonprofits are embracing lobbying for social good, how companies can thwart populist threats to socially responsible business, how digital technologies can be harnessed to promote sustainability and corporate performance, and other topics in the Winter 2024 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review*.

## **Systematic Reviews**

https://systematicreviewsjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

## **Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics**

Volume 45, Issue 2 April 2024 <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/11017/volumes-and-issues/45-2</u> [Reviewed earlier]

**Torture Journal** 

Volume 33 – No. 2 2023 <u>https://irct.org/torture-journal/</u> [Reviewed earlier]

## Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Volume 25 Issue 2, April 2024 <u>https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/TVA/current[Reviewed earlier]</u>

#### **Travel Medicine and Infectious Diseases**

Volume 58 March–April 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/travel-medicine-and-infectious-disease/vol/58/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **Tropical Medicine & International Health**

Volume 29, Issue 3 Pages: i-iv, 161-255 March 2024 <u>https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13653156/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **UN Chronicle**

https://unchronicle.un.org/ [Accessed 13 Apr 2024] *climate change | population | sustainable development* **Population and Climate Change: Decent Living for All without Compromising Climate** <u>Mitigation</u>

Raya Muttarak

A rise in the demand for energy linked to increasing incomes should not be justification for keeping people in poverty solely to avoid an escalation in emissions and its effects on climate change.

#### **Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies**

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care Volume 19, Issue 1, 2024 <u>https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rvch20/current</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### **World Development**

Volume 176 April 2024 <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/world-development/vol/176/suppl/C</u> [Reviewed earlier]

#### World Heritage Review

*World Heritage* n°103 – September 2023 <u>https://whc.unesco.org/en/review</u> *World Heritage*  ... This issue of *World Heritage* magazine features African heritage leaders who are empowering peers and creating positive ripple effects from Egypt to Mozambique. A report on climate change details the critical benefits provided by World Heritage forests notably through carbon absorption, with one caveat – their capacity will continue to decline unless we act now. A compelling story comes from Havana, Cuba, where a major UNESCO programme Transcultura is blending tangible heritage, intangible practices and contemporary creativity, true to the way culture intersects in the local communities...

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<u>Research Transparency in 59 Fields of Medical and Health Sciences: A Meta-Research</u> <u>Study</u>

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medRxiv 2024.04.08.24305416; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.04.08.24305416 Abstract

Background Transparency in research is crucial as it allows for the scrutiny and replication of findings, fosters confidence in scientific outcomes, and ultimately contributes to the advancement of knowledge and the betterment of society.

Aim We aimed to assess adherence to five practices promoting transparency in scientific publications (data availability, code availability, protocol registration, conflicts of interest (COI) and funding disclosures) from open-access articles published in medical journals.

Methods We searched and exported all open-access articles from Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE)-indexed journals through the Europe PubMed Central database published until March 16, 2024. Basic journal- and article-related information was retrieved from the database. We used R to produce descriptive statistics.

#### Red Teaming Large Language Models in Medicine: Real-World Insights on Model Behavior

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medRxiv 2024.04.05.24305411; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.04.05.24305411 Abstract

Background The integration of large language models (LLMs) in healthcare offers immense opportunity to streamline healthcare tasks, but also carries risks such as response accuracy and bias perpetration. To address this, we conducted a red-teaming exercise to assess LLMs in healthcare and developed a dataset of clinically relevant scenarios for future teams to use.

Methods We convened 80 multi-disciplinary experts to evaluate the performance of popular LLMs across multiple medical scenarios. Teams composed of clinicians, medical and engineering students,

and technical professionals stress-tested LLMs with real world clinical use cases. Teams were given a framework comprising four categories to analyze for inappropriate responses: Safety, Privacy, Hallucinations, and Bias. Prompts were tested on GPT-3.5, GPT-4.0, and GPT-4.0 with the Internet. Six medically trained reviewers subsequently reanalyzed the prompt-response pairs, with dual reviewers for each prompt and a third to resolve discrepancies. This process allowed for the accurate identification and categorization of inappropriate or inaccurate content within the responses. Results There were a total of 382 unique prompts, with 1146 total responses across three iterations of ChatGPT (GPT-3.5, GPT-4.0, GPT-4.0 with Internet). 19.8% of the responses were labeled as inappropriate, with GPT-3.5 accounting for the highest percentage at 25.7% while GPT-4.0 and GPT-4.0 with internet performing comparably at 16.2% and 17.5% respectively. Interestingly, 11.8% of responses were deemed appropriate with GPT-3.5 but inappropriate in updated models, highlighting the ongoing need to evaluate evolving LLMs.

Conclusion The red-teaming exercise underscored the benefits of interdisciplinary efforts, as this collaborative model fosters a deeper understanding of the potential limitations of LLMs in healthcare and sets a precedent for future red teaming events in the field. Additionally, we present all prompts and outputs as a benchmark for future LLM model evaluations.

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