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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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"Universal Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights"

"Life or death is a political decision" — Parliamentarians from over 100 countries reaffirm commitment to universal sexual and reproductive health and rights.

Oslo, 15 April 2024 — At the eighth global parliamentarians' conference on population and development, which concluded on Friday 12 April, 172 parliamentarians from 112 countries issued a forward-looking inclusive declaration confirming their commitment to upholding universal sexual and reproductive health and rights, as was agreed at the landmark International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) in Cairo in 1994.

In the Oslo Declaration, the parliamentarians recognized the ICPD Programme of Action as "a beacon of hope," and celebrated the progress that has been made for women and girls in the three decades since it was adopted. But they also pointed out that crises and polarization are shaking the world, and require them to set out an ambitious vision for the future they want to help create in their legislatures.

The parliamentarians emphasized the importance of ensuring comprehensive sexuality education, ending gender-based violence and **achieving universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights services, including access to safe abortion services**. They also committed to working with and for women, girls and adolescents in all their diversity to safeguard their right to bodily autonomy, and to address harmful social and gender norms.

The declaration recognized technology's huge potential for strengthening health and data systems. It included a commitment to promoting women's safe participation in the digital space and to **seeking to ensure that artificial intelligence prioritizes ethics and human rights, and addresses biases that impact women, girls and marginalized populations**. And it made a strong case for the value of investing in family planning and maternal health in developing countries.

Taking place against a backdrop of 30 years of impressive progress on women's health and human rights that has recently stagnated and is facing concerted opposition, the conference provided a platform for like-minded parliamentarians from around the world to find commonalities in their work and build a powerful joint advocacy tool to advance the unfinished ICPD agenda.

**Access the Oslo Declaration here: https://ipciconference.org/

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Health – Climate/Environment

<u>Finance Ministers from Latin America and the Caribbean Target US\$372 Billion Investment in Water and Sanitation</u>

WASHINGTON, D.C., 19 April 2024 – Finance ministers from across Latin America and the Caribbean convened today in Washington, D.C., to discuss **mobilizing US\$372 billion over the next five years to combat the region's water and sanitation crisis.**

The meeting, which gathered close to 100 ministers and development partners, was hosted by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) on the sidelines of the World Bank Spring Meetings. It was co-convened by UNICEF and the *Sanitation and Water for All* global partnership (SWA).

Climate change and increasingly frequent extreme weather events pose a threat to water and sanitation in the region, where over 450 million people lack adequate sanitation and almost 200 million lack continuous water services.

Highlighting the economic rationale behind investments in water and sanitation, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) estimates that an annual investment of 1.3 per cent of the regional GDP until 2030 could universalize access to these essential services. This investment is projected to create up to 3.4 million green jobs each year, demonstrating the potential for water and sanitation improvements to spur economic growth and environmental sustainability.

Finance ministers noted the meeting comes at a critical time for the region, which faces debt equating to <u>117 per cent of its GDP</u>. Discussions centered on finance and policy strategies such as increasing public finance, leveraging the role of development banks and attracting private capital. Also addressed was the importance of climate finance, reducing energy consumption, and implementing both mitigation and adaptation strategies to support the sector...

Catarina de Albuquerque, CEO of SWA: **"We need to see a 16-fold increase in current rates of progress for water and a 7-fold increase for sanitation in Latin America and the Caribbean**. Those numbers sound daunting but with ambitious and bold leadership, particularly when it comes from the top – from Heads of State and members of national governments – we know change is possible. Water and sanitation are human rights and they are also catalysts for economic development, improved public health, education and job creation."

Catherine Russell, Executive Director of UNICEF: "It is critical that all governments designate safe water, sanitation and hygiene as essential public services. I urge Government Ministers in Latin America and the Caribbean to prioritize water, sanitation and hygiene in their national budgets and development plans. Allocating adequate resources to water, sanitation and hygiene lays the groundwork for a more resilient, equitable, and prosperous future for children and their families."

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Global Health - Finance

World Bank Group Aims to Expand Health Services to 1.5 Billion People

Date: April 18, 2024 Type: Factsheet

The World Bank Group announced an ambitious plan to support countries in delivering quality, affordable health services to 1.5 billion people by 2030. This is part of a larger global effort to provide a basic standard of care through every stage of a person's life – infancy, childhood, adolescence, and adulthood.

For decades, the World Bank Group has helped provide health services for women and children in more than 100 countries. A focused effort to become faster, work better with partners, and bring in the private sector has enabled the 80-year-old institution to pursue greater scale and impact.

The strategy to reach 1.5 billion people is focused on three core elements:

- :: Expanding focus from maternal and child health to include coverage throughout a person's lifetime, including non-communicable diseases.
- :: Expanding operations to hard-to-reach areas, including remote villages, cities, and countries.
- :: Working with governments to cut unnecessary fees and other financial barriers to health care.

To be counted toward this goal, a person must be seen and treated by a health-care worker via an inperson visit or telehealth...

Today, around 2 billion people face severe financial hardship when paying for health services. Intertwined challenges, such as climate change, pandemics, conflicts, societal aging, and a projected shortfall of 10 million health-care workers by 2030, exacerbate the cycle of poverty and inequality...

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Development – Finance

Multilateral Development Banks Deepen Collaboration to Deliver as a System

20 April 2024

The leaders of 10 multilateral development banks (MDBs) today announced joint steps **to work more effectively** as a system and increase the impact and scale of their work to tackle urgent development challenges.

In a <u>Viewpoint Note</u>, the leaders outlined key deliverables for joint and coordinated action in 2024 and beyond, building on the progress since their Marrakesh <u>statement</u> in 2023, as their institutions work to accelerate progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to better support clients in addressing regional and global challenges.

Published at the conclusion of a retreat hosted by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), which holds the rotating chair of the MDB Heads Group, the actions represent the strengthened collaboration amongst MDBs. The Note will also serve as a valuable contribution for the forthcoming G20 Roadmap to evolve MDBs into a "better, bigger and more effective" system and in other fora.

The MDB Heads committed to concrete and actionable deliverables in five critical areas:

- **1. Scaling up MDB financing capacity.** MDBs expect to generate additional lending headroom on the order of \$300-400 billion over the next decade, with the support of shareholders and partners. Actions include:
- Offering a diverse set of innovative financial instruments to shareholders, development partners and capital markets, including hybrid-capital and risk-transfer instruments, and promoting the channeling of the IMF's Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) through MDBs.
- Providing more clarity on callable capital, which would help rating agencies better assess the value of callable capital.
- Continuing to implement and report on the G20 Capital Adequacy Framework (CAF) Review recommendations and related reforms.

- **2. Boosting joint action on climate change.** MDBs are increasing their common engagement on climate. Actions include:
- Delivering the first common approach to measuring climate results on adaptation and mitigation.
- Continuing to align operations to the goals of the Paris Agreement and to jointly report on climate financing, as well as engaging in the UN-led process towards a new collective goal on climate finance.
- Continuing to support and improve early-warning systems for natural disasters.
- **3. Strengthening country-level collaboration and co-financing.** MDBs are engaged in discussions and supporting country-owned and country-led platforms to make it easier for countries to work with the banks. Actions include:
- Assessing proposals on country-led and country-owned platforms, towards a common understanding and next steps, including for some MDBs to implement platforms.
- Continue harmonizing procurement practices, including by relying on each other's procurement policies to reduce transaction costs and increase efficiency and sustainability.
- Accelerating co-financing of public-sector projects through the newly launched <u>Collaborative Co-</u>Financing Portal.
- **4. Catalyzing private-sector mobilization**. MDBs are committed to scaling up private-sector financing for development goals, including by pursuing innovative approaches and financial instruments. Actions include:
- Scaling up local-currency lending and foreign-exchange hedging solutions to boost private investment. MDBs are working to identify scalable approaches.
- Expanding the type and disaggregation of the statistics that MDBs and Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) release through the <u>Global Emerging Markets Risk Database</u> (GEMs) Consortium, supporting investors to better assess investment risks and opportunities.
- **5. Enhancing development effectiveness and impact.** MDBs agreed to heighten the focus on the impact of their work. Actions include:
- Increasing collaboration on joint impact evaluations, including by sharing approaches to monitoring and assessing impact, and pursuing harmonization initiatives, where useful.
- Taking stock of the key performance indicators (KPIs) on nature and biodiversity that are currently in use and explore the feasibility of alignment of some indicators ahead of COP30 in 2025.

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Africa - Debt

Africa's \$824 billion debt burden and opaque resource-backed loans hinder its potential, African Development Bank President warns

African Development Bank 19-Apr-2024

Africa's immense economic potential is being **undermined by non-transparent resource-backed loans** that complicate debt resolution and compromise countries' future growth, African Development Bank President Akinwumi Adesina said on Thursday.

"I think it's time for us to have debt transparency accountability and make sure that this whole thing of these opaque natural resource-backed loans actually ends, because it complicates the debt issue and the debt resolution issue," Adesina told journalist Yinka Adegoke at the Semafor World Economy Summit taking place on the sidelines of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank2024 Spring Meetings.

Adesina highlighted the challenges posed by Africa's ballooning external debt, which reached \$824 billion in 2021, with countries dedicating 65% of their GDP to servicing these obligations. He said the continent would pay \$74 billion in debt service payments this year alone, a sharp increase from \$17 billion in 2010.

While acknowledging the fiscal pressures faced by African nations due to the Covid-19 pandemic, infrastructure needs, and rising inflation, Adesina emphasised the need to address the structural issues in Africa's debt landscape. **He pointed out the shift from concessional financing to more expensive and short-term commercial debt,** with Eurobond debt now accounting for 44% of Africa's total debt, up from 14-17% previously.

He also criticized the "Africa premium" that countries pay when accessing capital markets, despite data showing that Africa's default rates are lower than those of other regions. He called for an end to this risk perception, which he said leads to higher borrowing costs for African nations.

The African Development Bank head stressed the importance of putting in place an orderly and predictable way of dealing with Africa's debt, urging for faster implementation of the G20 Common Framework.

He also highlighted the need for increased concessional financing, particularly for low-income countries. "What's particularly interesting in Africa is that the level of concessional financing itself has actually gone down, has shrunk significantly," he said, adding that **the African Development Fund—the**Bank Group's concessional lending arm to low-income countries—is providing long-term financing at low interest rates to the 37 most vulnerable countries...

Looking ahead, Adesina expressed optimism about the opportunities in Africa, particularly in renewable energy, given the continent's vast solar potential. He also highlighted the Africa Investment Forum, a platform created by the Bank and its partners, that brings together investors from around the world to facilitate large-scale investments in key sectors like infrastructure, digital, and renewable energy.

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Open Research Information

Barcelona Declaration: open research information must be the new norm

The Barcelona Declaration is an initiative developed by a team of research information specialists, aimed at democratizing access to research information. This includes bibliographic metadata, funding details, and impact data, which are often inaccessible due to proprietary infrastructures. ISC Blog 16.04.2024

About the Declaration

The research information landscape requires fundamental change. The signatories of the Barcelona Declaration on Open Research Information commit to taking a lead in transforming the way research information is used and produced. Openness of information about the conduct and communication of research must be the new norm.

Too often, decision making in science is based on closed research information. Research information is locked inside proprietary infrastructures, run by for-profit providers that impose severe restrictions on the use and reuse of the information.

Definition of research information

By research information we mean information (sometimes referred to as metadata) relating to the conduct and communication of research. This includes, but is not limited to, (1) bibliographic metadata such as titles, abstracts, references, author data, affiliation data, and data on publication venues, (2) metadata on research software, research data, samples, and instruments, (3) information on funding and grants, and (4) information on organizations and research contributors. Research information is located in systems such as bibliographic databases, software archives, data repositories, and current research information systems.

Errors, gaps, and biases in closed research information are difficult to expose and even more difficult to fix. Indicators and analytics derived from this information lack transparency and reproducibility. Decisions about the careers of researchers, about the future of research organizations, and ultimately about the way science serves the whole of humanity, depend on these black-box indicators and analytics.

Today, over 30 organizations are committing to making openness of research information the norm. Open research information enables science policy decisions to be made based on transparent evidence and inclusive data. It enables information used in research evaluations to be accessible and auditable by those being assessed. And it enables the global movement toward open science to be supported by information that is fully open and transparent.

Commitments

The signatories of the Barcelona Declaration on Open Research Information make the following commitments:

- We will make openness the default for the research information we use and produce;
- We will work with services and systems that support and enable open research information:
- We will support the sustainability of infrastructures for open research information;
- We will support collective action to accelerate the transition to openness of research information.

The full text of the Barcelona Declaration can be found on barcelona-declaration.org.

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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 20 Apr 2024]

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Meetings Coverage/Press Releases [Selected]

19 April 2024 SG/SM/22197

<u>'High Time' to Stop Dangerous Cycle of Retaliation in Middle East, Secretary-General Says, Urging Action against Escalation That Could Have Devastating Consequences</u>

19 April 2024 SC/15672

Security Council Hears Briefers on Situation in Sudan

The Security Council met this afternoon to take up the report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Sudan. Briefing the Council were Rosemary DiCarlo, Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, Edem Wosornu, Director of Operations and Advocacy, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and Mohamed Ibn Chambas, High Representative for the Silencing the Guns Initiative of the African Union Commission.

18 April 2024 SG/SM/22196

<u>We Must Pull Middle East Back from Precipice through Comprehensive Diplomatic Action — Starting with Gaza, Secretary-General Tells Security Council</u>

18 April 2024 SC/15669

Bloody Cycle of Retaliation Must End, Secretary-General Tells Security Council, Urging Stop to Hostilities in Gaza

Urging maximum restraint following recent escalations in the Middle East, the Head of the United Nations urged an end to the deadly cycle of retaliation and called on the international community to work together to avert a full-scale regional conflict, first by ending hostilities in Gaza and ultimately by realizing the two-State solution, as the Security Council today convened its quarterly open debate on the situation in the region.

18 April 2024 SC/15670

<u>Security Council Fails to Recommend Full United Nations Membership for State of</u> Palestine, Owing to Veto Cast by United States

The Security Council today blocked Palestine's bid to become a full member of the United Nations due to a United States veto on a draft resolution that would have recommended the granting of such status.

17 April 2024 SC/15668

<u>'Insidious Campaign' by Israel Under Way to End Palestine Refugee Agency's Operations in</u> Gaza, Commissioner-General Tells Security Council

The Head of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) told the Security Council today that the Agency is the "backbone" of the humanitarian response in Gaza, noting that — while its mandate is supported by an "overwhelming" majority of Member States — it faces efforts to push it out of the Occupied Palestinian Territory.

15 April 2024 SC/15662

<u>Prospect of Nuclear Accident 'Dangerously Close' at Zaporizhzhia Power Plant in Ukraine, International Atomic Energy Agency Chief Warns Security Council</u>

In the wake of recent attacks on Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant — Europe's largest — the head of the United Nations nuclear watchdog warned the Security Council today that the first-ever war to be

fought amid the facilities of a major nuclear power programme is bringing the prospect of nuclear accident "dangerously close".

14 April 2024 SC/15660

Warning Middle East at Risk of Full-Scale Conflict, Secretary-General Urges All Parties to 'Step Back from the Brink', in Emergency Security Council Session

A day after Iran launched hundreds of drones and missiles from its territory towards Israel - most intercepted - the people of the Middle East are confronting a real danger of a devastating full-scale conflict, the UN chief told the Security Council today during an emergency meeting, as delegates urged all parties to exercise maximum restraint.

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/latest

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Myanmar

Myanmar: Türk sounds alarm amid rising tensions in Rakhine

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<u>Malaysia: Bangladeshi workers must be protected from exploitation and criminalisation, say UN experts</u>

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Cambodia

Cambodia must end harassment of human rights defenders: UN experts

News 15 April 2024

<u>Committee against Torture Opens Seventy-Ninth Session in Geneva and Re-Elects Claude</u> <u>Heller as its Chairperson</u>

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Gaza: UN experts deplore use of purported AI to commit 'domicide' in Gaza, call for reparative approach to rebuilding

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 20 Apr 2024]

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SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

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<u>Iraq: increase of grave violations against children, but critical engagements by the Government create hope for a better future</u>

Friday, 19 April 2024

Risk of Starvation & Imminent Famine for Children in Gaza, Sudan; Imperative to Immediately Scale Up Humanitarian Access

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SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/

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Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Special Rapporteur on the right to health [to 20 Apr 2024]

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UN experts deeply concerned over 'scholasticide' in Gaza

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

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Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Malaysia: Bangladeshi workers must be protected from exploitation and criminalisation, say UN experts

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html

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UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 20 Apr 2024]

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OCHA appeals to Security Council to do more to "silence the guns" in Sudan

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Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 20 Apr 2024]

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UNICEF [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Press release 19 April 2024

<u>Finance Ministers from Latin America and the Caribbean Target US\$372 Billion Investment in Water and Sanitation</u>

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Statement 19 April 2024

<u>Three children reportedly killed in Ukraine this week, in more devastating attacks – UNICEF</u>

KYIV/GENEVA, 19 April 2024 – "At least three children aged 6, 8 and 14 have reportedly been killed in yet another horrific attack in the Dnipro region earlier today. Our deepest sympathies are with the children's families and their communities. "Children were also among the reported casualties in a deadly attack in Chernihiv earlier this week,...

Statement 17 April 2024

Gavi and UNICEF welcome approval of new oral cholera vaccine

GENEVA/NEW YORK, 18 April 2024 – Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance and UNICEF welcome the news that a new oral cholera vaccine (OCV), Euvichol-S, has now received WHO prequalification and can be made available to countries around the world. The prequalification of this new product will help EuBiologics, the manufacturer, produce more volumes of vaccine,...

Statement 16 April 2024

Statement by Catherine Russell, UNICEF Executive Director, following her two-day visit to the Middle-East

NEW YORK/JERUSALEM, 16 April 2024 - "Today I completed a two-day visit to the Middle East, where escalating violence continues to take an unconscionable toll on the lives of children. "On the first day in Israel, I met with some of the many Israeli families who experienced unspeakable violence on 7 October, including children taken hostage, the...

Press release 16 April 2024

<u>Children disproportionately wearing the scars of the war in Gaza - Geneva Palais briefing</u> note

GENEVA, 16 April 2024 - "I left Gaza yesterday after spending two weeks there. It was my second mission into Gaza this year. "By far, what struck me most about this mission was the number of wounded children. "Not just in the hospitals, but on the streets. In their makeshift shelters. Going about their now permanently altered lives. "Over the...

Press release 15 April 2024

On the 10-year mark of the Chibok abductions, UNICEF urges action to secure children's education in Nigeria

ABUJA, Nigeria, 15 April 2024 – As Nigeria marks 10 years since the mass Chibok abductions in the Northeast, 90 girls remain in captivity, and the country is recovering from another abduction of schoolchildren in Kaduna state in March of this year. UNICEF is calling for intensified efforts to protect the country's most vulnerable population—its... Visit the page

Remarks 15 April 2024

<u>UNICEF Deputy Executive Director Ted Chaiban remarks at the International Conference</u> <u>for Sudan and the Neighbouring Countries</u>

PARIS, 15 April 2024 - "Excellencies,14 million Sudanese children in urgent need of humanitarian aid. "4.6 million children displaced by conflict with 1.1 million seeking refuge in neighbouring countries, the largest child displacement crisis globally. "Almost 4 million children suffering from acute malnutrition, with 730,000 facing life-...

Press release 14 April 2024

An entire generation of children in Sudan faces a catastrophe as the war enters its second year

NEW YORK/PARIS/PORT SUDAN, 15 April 2024 – One year since violence exploded in Sudan, and as the ensuing crisis continues to deepen, the lives, educations and futures of a generation of Sudanese children hang in the balance. Beyond the direct impact of the violence on children, the ongoing war has fueled a lethal combination of displacement,...

International Organization for Migration [to 20 Apr 2024]

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Partnership with IKEA Supply AG to Promote Protection of Migrant Workers

http://www.unaids.org/en

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Navigating HIV services during migration crisis in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

16 April 2024 Press statement

<u>UNAIDS calls for sustained and expanded health and HIV investments at the Spring Meetings of the IMF and World Bank</u>

Debt restructuring and reforms to the global tax system are urgently required to finance health systems and other essential services

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18 April 2024 Departmental news

WHO prequalifies new oral simplified vaccine for cholera

18 April 2024 Departmental news

WHO launches first ever Patient Safety Rights Charter

18 April 2024 News release

Leading health agencies outline updated terminology for pathogens that transmit through the air

18 April 2024 Departmental news

Human-Animal Interface Newsletter: Jan-Mar 2024

17 April 2024 Departmental news

The Quadripartite organizations announce the second Term members of its One Health High-Level Expert Panel (OHHLEP)

17 April 2024 Departmental news

Statement on the outcomes of the ICMRA-WHO joint workshop on COVID-19 vaccines strain change

15 April 2024 Departmental news

Special programme on sexual and reproductive health reports on year of progress

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WHO African Region

No new digest content identified.

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: <u>Despite vaccination gains</u>, <u>1.2 million children under one remain unprotected in the Americas</u>
Washington D.C. 18 April 2024 (PAHO/WHO) – With 15 out of every 100 children in the Americas only partially protected against vaccine-preventable diseases, the Pan American Health Organization

(PAHO) Director, Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, has urged countries of the region to continue efforts to recover routine vaccination coverage. "Historically, our...

:: PAHO shares innovative country experiences to promote vaccination in the Americas

Washington, D.C., April 16, 2024. In the context of the 22nd Vaccination Week in the Americas, celebrated from 20-27 April, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) is sharing more than 15 innovative experiences that countries in the Region have implemented to promote vaccination in their communities. The slogan of the week this year is...

:: PAHO presents key recommendations to increase equitable access to health at G20 event in Brazil Brasilia, April 15, 2024 - The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) recently presented a series of recommendations at G20 events in Brazil to strengthen equity in access to digital health, expand innovation and production of health technologies, tackle antimicrobial resistance, increase health investment and ensure greater retention of health...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

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WHO European Region EURO

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WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

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WHO Western Pacific Region

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

Multi-country outbreak of cholera, External situation report #13 - 17 April 2024

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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.

19 April 2024 | Avian Influenza A(H9N2) - Viet Nam

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record

Vol. 99, No. 16, pp. 185-192 19 April 2024

PDF: https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/376566/WER9916-eng-fre.pdf

:: Summary report of the 24th and 25th meetings of the WHO Advisory Committee on Variola Virus Research

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Community conversation kit: everyday conversations to protect community health against infectious disease

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Elimination of malaria and prevention of re-establishment in Sri Lanka

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WHO pharmaceuticals newsletter - No. 2, 2024

17 April 2024

WHO Data quality assessment of national and partner monitoring data and system implementation tool

16 April 2024

<u>Technical assistance to accelerate the implementation of WHO recommendations on HIV testing and treatment...</u>

16 April 2024

Revising the procedures for updating WHO's model lists of essential medicines: consultation report, Geneva....

16 April 2024

Expanded programme on Immunization (EPI) factsheet 2023: Timor-Leste

16 April 2024

Patient safety rights charter

Overview

The Patient safety rights charter is a key resource intended to support the implementation of the Global Patient Safety Action Plan 2021–2030: Towards eliminating avoidable harm in health care. The Charter aims to outline patients' rights in the context of safety and promotes the upholding of these rights, as established by international human rights standards, for everyone, everywhere, at all times. PDF: https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/376539/9789240093249-eng.pdf?sequence=1

15 April 2024

Report of a workshop to launch the Global Oversight Committee and the Supply Chain Technical Support...

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World Organisation for Animal Health [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Selected Press Releases

16 Apr 2024 Press Release

New UNFPA report finds 30 years of progress in sexual and reproductive health has mostly ignored the most marginalized communities

Geneva 17 April 2024 – Sweeping global gains in sexual and reproductive health and rights over the last thirty years are marred by an ugly truth – millions of women and girls have not benefited...

15 Apr 2024 Press Release

"Life or death is a political decision" — Parliamentarians from over 100 countries reaffirm commitment to universal sexual and reproductive health and rights.

At the eighth global parliamentarians' conference on population and development, 172 parliamentarians from 112 countries issued a forward-looking inclusive declaration confirming their commitment to...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.undp.org/news-centre

News Centre

<u>United Nations Statement to the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC)</u> of the Board of Governors

Spring Meetings, April 2024

April 19, 2024

"A serious conversation will be needed between developed and developing countries, between rich and emerging economies, between North and South, East and West. These efforts will require reforming institutions that were built by a bygone world, for a bygone age".

Antonio Guterres - Priorities for 2024 at the UN General Assembly

February 7, 2024

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://sdas.un.org/

News

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 20 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 56th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission in March 2025 for its consideration.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.unenvironment.org/

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.undrr.org/

Press Releases, Statements and messages

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.un.org/en/articles-by-property-w-date/81254

Articles - Selected

19 Apr 2024 | DESA

<u>Transform landmark Indigenous rights declaration into reality: UN General Assembly</u> President

17 April 2024 - Despite important achievements over the past decade to improve the well-being of Indigenous Peoples, safeguard their cultures, and expand their participation at the UN, "deep chasms" endure between commitments made and reality on the ground, the President of the General Assembly said on Wednesday.

18 Apr 2024 | DESA

Embrace innovation 'to make sustainable transport a reality for all'

17 April 2024 - Reducing the transport sector's impact on the environment while improving access to service, especially in developing countries, topped the agenda of the UN General Assembly on Wednesday.

17 Apr 2024 | DESA

Indigenous Kalinago lead the way towards making Dominica 'climate resilient'

16 April 2024 - Dominica aims to become the world's first "climate-resilient" nation, and the indigenous Kalinago people are playing a leading role in developing the country and helping its people to thrive in the face of the climate emergency.

17 Apr 2024 | DESA

UN Youth Forum focuses on sustainable future for all

16 April 2024 - Young leaders from around the world are sharing their visions and actions to advance sustainable development at a three-day meeting...

16 Apr 2024 | DESA

Youth leaders gather at UN to call for meaningful engagement in developing solutions for a sustainable and resilient future for all

16 April 2024 - Over 1000 young leaders from around the world will gather at United Nations headquarters...

15 Apr 2024 | DESA

UN leaders urge 'wholesale reform' of global financial architecture

15 April 2024 - The Secretary-General and President of the General Assembly on Monday led the clarion call for urgent reform of the global financial system, notably how to approach debt relief on behalf of the billions of citizens living in the developing world.

15 Apr 2024 | DESA

<u>United Nations issues call for closing financial gaps for Indigenous Peoples at annual</u> forum

15 April 2024 - The largest global annual gathering of Indigenous Peoples, the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), commenced its 23rd session today at UN Headquarters in New York and will run until 26 April 2024.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.ilo.org/

News

Spring Meetings of the World Bank and the IMF

<u>Greater social justice is the cornerstone of a more sustained recovery, ILO tells World</u>
Bank and IMF

19 April 2024

Podcast

How young refugees are using skills and entrepreneurship to find independence 16 April 2024

UNESCO [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.unesco.org/en/newsroom

Press Releases [Selected]

UNESCO is stepping up the evidence base for gender equality

19 April 2024

Shaping Research Agenda of the Social and Human Sciences in Asia-Pacific

19 April 2024

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Press Releases

<u>Drug trafficking undermining stability and development in Sahel region, says new report</u>

from UNODC

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UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://unhabitat.org/

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.fao.org/home/en/

News

Sudan: Cereal production down by over 40 percent, likely exacerbating hunger

Director of the FAO Office of Emergencies and Resilience, Rein Paulsen, evaluates the food security situation on the ground and urges continued global support 16/04/2024

World Food Programme [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.wfp.org/news Selected News Releases 19 April 2024

United States provides \$11 million to WFP's refugees response in Uganda

KAMPALA – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has welcomed a contribution of US\$11 million from USAID, on behalf of the American people. This additional funding brings USAID's total support for refugees in Uganda to nearly \$83 million since the beginning of Fiscal Year 2023. The funding provides life-saving unconditional monthly general food assistance to over 1.3 million refugees across 13 settlements in Uganda.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.icao.int/ Latest News and Highlights No new digest content identified.

IMO [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.imo.org/ Press Releases 16 April 2-24

Facilitation Committee tackles digitalization and autonomous shipping

IMO's Facilitation Committee has taken steps to further advance the digitalization of the shipping sector, while addressing cyber-security threats and the regulation of new technology such as autonomous ships. The Committee held its forty-eighth session (FAL 48) from 8 to 12 April 2024, in London.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://public.wmo.int

News

WMO issues new guidance on cryosphere measurements

News 19 April 2024

WMO has issued new guidance on the measurement of permafrost and glaciers as part of wider efforts to improve observations and monitoring of the world's rapidly changing cryosphere.

WMO steps up coordination to protect vital radio frequency bands

News 17 April 2024

WMO is stepping up coordinated efforts to ensure the protection of radio frequency bands, which are vital for weather forecasts and life-saving early warnings.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.upu.int/en/News-Media/Press/Press-Releases Press Releases Press Releases No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.unido.org/news

News

UNIDO and UNOPS sign MoU to enhance partnership and cooperation 16 April 2024

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.iso.org/news

News

No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/ *Press releases*No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.cbd.int/
Announcements/Decisions/Events
No new digest content identified

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 20 Apr 2024

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

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USAID [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases

Press Releases [Selected]

<u>Administrator Samantha Power Meets with World Health Organization Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus</u>

April 19, 2024

On April 18, Administrator Samantha Power met with World Health Organization (WHO) Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus to discuss U.S. priorities for next month's 77th World Health Assembly. The Administrator raised the importance of WHO continuing to strengthen mechanisms around preventing and responding to sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment, as well as the importance of addressing lead poisoning globally. She also expressed USAID's strong commitment to supporting and strengthening pandemic preparedness and response.

USAID, USDA to Begin Emergency Food Aid Allocation to Strengthen Global Food Security

April 18, 2024

Today, USAID Administrator Power and U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced they will begin to use the \$1 billion in Commodity Credit Corporation funding to purchase, ship, and distribute agricultural commodities from American farmers to those in need around the world. USAID has selected 18 countries to support with this vital emergency food aid, including Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Haiti, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, and Yemen.

<u>United States Provides Nearly \$154 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for the People of Ethiopia</u>

April 16, 2024

Today, representing the United States, Deputy Administrator Isobel Coleman, pledged nearly \$154 million in additional humanitarian assistance for the humanitarian response in Ethiopia to address urgent needs resulting from conflict, insecurity, and climate shocks. This assistance, announced during a pledging conference for Ethiopia held in Geneva, Switzerland includes more than \$134 million through USAID and more than \$19 million through the U.S. Department of State.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office Press releases; Speeches No new digest content identified.

ECHO [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news-stories/news en

News

News article 18 April 2024

A new Humanitarian Air Bridge brings vital supplies to Haiti

As the recent spike in gang violence is making even more critical the humanitarian situation in Haiti, the European Union launched a new Humanitarian Air Bridge to provide essential supplies to the country's population. A total of 5 flights have arrived to Cap Haïtien, in the north of the country.

News article 17 April 2024

Joint Statement by High Representative/Vice-President Josep Borrell and Commissioner Janez Lenarčič on the humanitarian situation in Gaza and West Bank

It is essential to avoid any further escalation in the Middle East, in particular following the attacks from Iran targeting Israel. At this crucial time, we yet again call for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

News article 16 April 2024

EU hosts high-level meeting on Ukraine to address the humanitarian response

This high-level meeting brought together key humanitarian actors and donors, but also local Ukrainian institutions, to assess how to ensure effective aid delivery in the given circumstances. 1 min read

News article 15 April 2024

EU commits €896 million in total humanitarian and development funding for Sudan

1 year since the outbreak of conflict in Sudan, the EU co-hosted today with France and Germany the International Humanitarian Conference for Sudan and neighbouring countries.

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African Union [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.au. /en

<u>Symposium marks 20 years of civil society engagement with the AU through ECOSOCC</u> April 19, 2024

The African Union Economic, Social and Cultural Council (AU-ECOSOCC) hosted an enriching E-Symposium on 18th April, 2024, under the theme "ECOSOCC Beyond 20: Redefining the Role of Civil Society in the African Union Ecosystem." The symposium is one of the key engagements in the build up to the 20th anniversary commemorations scheduled for July 2024.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 20 Apr 2024] https://asean.org/category/news/
Secretariat News
No new digest content identified.

European Commission

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/home/en

Latest [Selected]

Statement 16 April 2024

<u>Joint Statement by High Representative/Vice-President Borrell and Commissioner Lenarčič on the occasion of the High-Level pledging Conference to address the humanitarian crisis in Ethiopia</u>

OECD [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.oecd.org/ Newsroom

Ministerial-level meeting - OECD Science and Technology Policy Ministerial

23-24 April 2024 | Paris, France

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.oas.org/en/media center/press releases.asp

Press Release

No new digest content identified.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/latestnews.aspx

News

OIC Welcomes Republic of Barbados's Decision to Recognize the State of Palestine

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) welcomed the decision of the Republic of Barbados to recognize the State of Palestine, noting that this important step 2024-04-21

OIC Deeply Regrets Security Council's Failure to Accept Palestine's United Nations Membership Bid after the United States Veto The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) expressed its deep regret at the failure of the Security Council to carry out its responsibility towards granting the 2024-04-19

Group of 77 [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.g77.org/

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

:: Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by H.E. Mr. Adonia Ayebare, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations, at the **G-24 Ministers and Governors Spring Meeting 2024** (Washington, DC, 16 April 2024)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by Ambassador Adonia Ayebare, Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations, at the <u>informal consultation on the Summit of the Future</u> (New York, 16 April 2024)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by Ambassador Adonia Ayebare, Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations, at the General Assembly's <u>High-level</u> <u>Thematic Debate on Debt Sustainability and Socio-economic Equality for All</u> (New York, 15 April 2024)

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UNCTAD [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://unctad.org/media-centre Press Releases

16 Apr 2024 –

Lower economic growth and trade disruptions in 2024 to impact development

UNCTAD/PRESS/PR/2024/007

Geneva, Switzerland

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 015 Oct 2022]

http://www.wcoomd.org/

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.unwto.org/news

News

All Regions

UN General Assembly Hosts Tourism for Sustainable Development Event

17 Apr 2024

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.wto.org/english/news e/news e.htm

WTO News and Events [Selected]

Press Releases

WTO members hold focused discussions on harnessing digitalization to facilitate trade

17 April 2024

At a meeting of the Committee on Trade Facilitation on 16-17 April, members kicked off discussions on utilizing digital tools to optimize the movement of goods across borders in line with the committee's decision to focus on this topic in 2024. Members heard presentations on national experiences with using digitalization to facilitate trade. The committee intends to explore this topic in further meetings and summarize discussions at the end of the year.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Press releases 19/04/2024

The AI-powered parliament: Risks and opportunities

International Court of Justice [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.icj-cij.org/en/press-releases Press Releases/Case Documentation No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 20 Apr 2024]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

All News [Selected]

Innovative Co-Financing Platform Will Improve Development Impact

WASHINGTON, April 19, 2024—A coalition of ten MDBs today launched a new co-financing platform that will enable them to channel additional capital for development scale and impact. The Global Collaborative...

Date: April 19, 2024 Type: Press Release

New Financing Tools Receive Major Funding Boost

Support for innovative financial tools could generate up to \$70 billion over 10 years WASHINGTON, April 19, 2024— New financial instruments designed to boost lending capacity and enable the World Bank...

Date: April 19, 2024 Type: Press Release

World Bank Group Aims to Expand Health Services to 1.5 Billion People

Focus on improved affordability, expanded geographic reach, increased scope of services WASHINGTON, April 18, 2024—The World Bank Group today announced an ambitious plan to support countries in delivering...

Date: April 18, 2024 Type: Press Release Language: English

World Bank Group Aims to Expand Health Services to 1.5 Billion People

The World Bank Group announced an ambitious plan to support countries in delivering quality, affordable health services to 1.5 billion people by 2030. This is part of a larger global effort to provide...

Date: April 18, 2024 Type: Factsheet

<u>Uncertainty, Amidst Conflict and Indebtedness, Weighs on the Outlook for the Middle East and North Africa</u>

WASHINGTON, April 15, 2024 — The World Bank's new Middle East and North Africa Economic Update, entitled Conflict and Debt in the Middle East and North Africa, shows that lackluster growth, rising indebtedness...

Date: April 15, 2024 Type: Press Release

Despite High Potential, 75 Vulnerable Economies Face 'Historic Reversal'

In Half of IDA Countries, Income Gap with Wealthiest Economies is Widening WASHINGTON, April 15, 2024—Despite their high potential to advance global prosperity, one-half of the world's 75 most vulnerable...

Date: April 15, 2024 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.imf.org/en/News

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April 17, 2024

Why Our World Needs Fiscal Restraint in Biggest-Ever Election Year

Governments should stay the course on fiscal consolidation amid mounting debt. April 16, 2024

IMF Executive Board Endorses Reforms to Promote the IMF's Capacity to Support Countries Undertaking Debt Restructurings

The Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) endorsed today the recommendations of the IMF staff paper "Policy Reform Proposals to Promote the Fund's Capacity to Support Countries Undertaking Debt Restructurings." The reforms are designed to ensure a more agile approach to IMF support to countries undertaking debt restructuring while maintaining adequate safeguards for IMF financing and reinforcing the existing architecture for debt resolution.

April 16, 2024

Global Economy Remains Resilient Despite Uneven Growth, Challenges Ahead

Policymakers should prioritize steps toward greater economic resilience such as strengthening government finances and revitalizing economic growth prospects.

African Development Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases

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Press Releases

Multilateral Development Banks Deepen Collaboration to Deliver as a System

20-Apr-2024 - The leaders of 10 multilateral development banks (MDBs) today announced joint steps to work more effectively as a system and increase the impact and scale of their work to tackle urgent development challenges.

African Development Bank rapidly exceeding climate finance targets

20-Apr-2024 - African Development Bank Group President Akinwumi Adesina on Thursday called for more urgent action as climate change continues to wreak havoc in many African countries. He was speaking at a high-level roundtable on climate finance convened during the International Monetary Fund and World Bank Spring Meetings by UK Deputy Foreign Minister and Minister of State for Development and Africa, Andrew Mitchell, and the German Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Svenja Schulze,

Africa's \$824 billion debt burden and opaque resource-backed loans hinder its potential, African Development Bank President warns

19-Apr-2024 - Africa's immense economic potential is being undermined by non-transparent resource-backed loans that complicate debt resolution and compromise countries' future growth, African Development Bank President Akinwumi Adesina said on Thursday.

African Development Bank, GIABA combat money laundering and terrorism financing in Africa through new project

18-Apr-2024 - The African Development Bank and the Inter-Governmental Action Group against Money Laundering in West Africa (GIABA) on Thursday officially launched a three-year support project to combat money laundering and terrorism financing in their member countries. The project, titled "Capacity Development for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism in GIABA Member States in Transition," will be backed by a \$5 million grant from the African Development Bank Group.

Asian Development Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

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19 Apr 2024

New Zealand Commits \$25 Million for ADB's Energy Transition Mechanism

The Government of New Zealand has committed \$25 million to ADB's Energy Transition Mechanism Partnership Trust Fund (ETMPTF) to support the shift toward clean, sustainable energy in Southeast Asia.

17 Apr 2024

ADB, Global Fund Join Forces to Strengthen Health Systems and Advance Universal Health Coverage

ADB and the Global Fund have signed a memorandum of understanding to form transformative partnerships that strengthen health systems and promote universal health coverage.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

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Washington, D.C., April 20, 2024

<u>Multilateral Development Banks Deepen Collaboration to ...</u>

The leaders of 10 multilateral development banks (MDBs) today announced joint steps to work more effectively as a system and increase the impact and scale of their work to ...

Washington, D.C., April 20, 2024

AIIB, World Bank Strengthen Cooperation on ...

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the World Bank have signed a renewed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to enhance collaboration on infrastructure ...

Washington, D.C., April 20, 2024

10 MDBs Jointly Launch Global Co-financing Platform

In a groundbreaking act of global collaboration, 10 multilateral development banks (MDBs) have joined forces to launch a digital initiative that aims to transform the development ...

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Development Bank [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.isdb.org/

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<u>Multilateral Development Banks Deepen Collaboration to Deliver as a System</u>

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- :: <u>Journal Watch</u> Key articles and abstracts from 100+ peer-reviewed journals

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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 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org Communiqués de presse Soudan

2,9 millions d'enfants souffrent de malnutrition aiguë

Publié le 15 avril 2024,

Un an après le début des affrontements, le Soudan est confronté à l'une des crises humanitaires les plus graves au monde. 24 millions de personnes ont besoin d'une assistance humanitaire.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://alima.ngo/ PRESS RELEASES No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/ Selected Press Releases No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://aravind.org/ Aravind News

Symposium on Molecular Genetics in Opthalmology – 2024

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ARAVIND EYE HOSPITAL

Blue Shield International [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-international-news/ BS International News No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.brac.net/#news Latest No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 20 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 20 Apr 2024]

https://pro.drc.ngo/resources/news/?t=Press+Release

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No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://ecpat.org/news/

ECPAT News

No new digest content identified.

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.eifl.net/news

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 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.fountainhouse.org/news

News

At Least Half of NYC's Mental Health Clubhouses Lose Funding as City Bets on Bigger Ones

April 16, 2024 Gothamist

Caroline Lewis

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

- :: Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review Current edition
- :: Informed Consent: A Monthly Review March 2024
- :: Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment 17 April 2024 Issue 16

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://hi.org/en/

News

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News

<u>Heifer International and Alliance of Bioversity and CIAT Agree to Strengthen Collaboration,</u> Empower Smallholder Farmers By Heifer International April 18, 2024

HelpAge International [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/ Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

What's New [Selected]

ICRC President Mirjana Spoljaric: "War without limits equals suffering without end"

ICRC Statement at the 148th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union. Special High-Level Intervention on the Geneva Conventions.

16-04-2024 | Statement

ICRC Opinion Paper - How is the term "Armed Conflict" defined in international humanitarian law?

The ICRC published an Opinion Paper in 2008 on the topic, which outlines how the notion of armed conflict has been interpreted in jurisprudence and doctrine since the drafting of the Geneva Conventions. The 2024 Opinion Paper explains the ICRC's appro 16-04-2024 | Article

IFRC [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.rescue.org/media-center

Press Releases

<u>Welcome Corps at Work: An Innovative Solution for U.S. Labor Shortages and Refugee</u>
Resettlement

April 17, 2024

Press Release

All political and diplomatic means must be utilized to prevent increased civilian harm and further regional escalation - 13 NGOs warn

April 16, 2024

Press Release

IRC emergency team warns: public health catastrophe underway in Gaza

April 16, 2024

IRCT [to 20 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 20 Apr 2024]

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

Press Releases Sudan News

Sudan at risk of collapse after 1 year of brutal war, with famine looming

April 12, 2024

Sudan is at imminent risk of collapsing after one year of violent conflict and is on the verge of mass famine with its food supply decimated and young children now starving to death in its cities, villages, and displacement camps, Islamic Relief warns in a new report. After one year of war, Sudan...

Mercy Corps [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News Releases & Alerts

April 15, 2024

CEO Statement at Sudan Summit: Pledges must be disbursed immediately to avoid famine

Mercy Corps Chief Executive Officer, Tjada D'Oyen McKenna, delivered remarks at the International Humanitarian...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.msf.org/

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Mediterranean migration

Charges in case against rescues at sea dropped in Italy

Press Release 19 Apr 2024

Guatemala

MSF highlights urgent need to care for patients with chronic kidney disease

Project Update 17 Apr 2024

Myanmar

MSF office and pharmacy in Rakhine state destroyed in fire amid ongoing violence

Press Release 16 Apr 2024

Pakistan

MSF concerned over deportations of Afghans from Pakistan

Statement 16 Apr 2024

Myanmar

Five things to know about the humanitarian crisis in northern Rakhine

Interview 15 Apr 2024

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.nrc.no/

Latest News

<u>International community urged to act against Israel's repeated failure to stop settler attacks on Palestinian communities</u>

17. Apr 2024 | Palestine

<u>Middle East: All political and diplomatic means must be utilized to prevent increased civilian harm and further regional escalation - 13 NGOs warn</u>

16. Apr 2024 | Middle East

Two years on Ukrainian refugees in neighbouring countries struggle to make ends meet

16. Apr 2024 | Moldova|Poland

OXFAM [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.oxfam.org/en/ Press Releases/Stories

Storv

The case against liquefied methane gas exports

April 19, 2024

Storv

How will climate change affect agriculture?

April 18, 2024

Climate change is affecting agriculture, but we can reduce climate-warming emissions and help farmers adapt to ensure we have nutritious food in the future.

Pact [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.pactworld.org/ Latest News & Highlights No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.pih.org/news

News & Stories

Ophelia Dahl Named to TIME100 List

PIH co-founder recognized for impact, innovation April 17, 2024

PATH [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Newsroom

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

G7 must champion rights of adolescent girls amidst multiple crises

18 April 2024

Plan International urges G7 leaders to prioritise the rights and well-being of adolescent girls at the upcoming summit. The vast global challenges they face, from hunger and conflict to limited education and the effects of climate change, demand urgent action.

Save The Children [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.savethechildren.net/news

News

18 April 2024 - Afghanistan, Pakistan

<u>Afghanistan: 250,000 children in need of food, homes and education after returning from Pakistan</u>

Tostan [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.tostan.org
News & Stories
No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.womenforwomen.org/blogs

Articles

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 20 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 20 Apr 2024]

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

Freedom House [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://freedomhouse.org/news-perspectives/press-releases-statements

News Releases & Statements

<u>Freedom House Launches Search for President; Michael J. Abramowitz Departs to Lead</u> Voice of America April 19, 2024

<u>Sudan: One Year into Conflict, Freedom House Urges United Action to End Violence and Aid</u> Democratic Transition

April 15, 2024

Human Rights Watch [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.hrw.org/

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

April 19, 2024

Gambia: Bill Threatens Female Genital Mutilation Ban

A bill before Gambia's National Assembly to reverse a groundbreaking 2015 ban on female genital mutilation (FGM) jeopardizes the rights of women and girls in the country, Human Rights Watch said today.

Ukraine

April 18, 2024 News Release

Explosive Weapons' Dire Impact on Cultural Heritage

Africa

April 18, 2024 Dispatches

Civilians at Risk as Large-Scale Fighting Looms in Darfur

Laetitia Bader

Director, Horn of Africa

Asia

April 18, 2024 Dispatches

German Chancellor's Trip to China a Wasted Opportunity

Wenzel Michalski

Director, Germany

Transparency International [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.transparency.org/en/news

News

This beautiful land: Corruption, discrimination and land rights in Sub-Saharan Africa

News 18 April 2024

New report finds that corruption and discrimination impede the equal enjoyment of land rights in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Will the EU act decisively and raise its anti-corruption standards?

News 16 April 2024

The European Parliament and Council are expected to enter negotiations on the final version of the new Directive on combatting corruption later this year.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://childfundalliance.org/

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 20 Apr 2024]
http://concordeurope.org/
Latest News and Events
No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 20 Apr 2024] https://theelders.org/news-insight

News, Media Releases

Annual Review 2023: Global Threats, Global Solutions

16 Apr 2024

The Elders' 2023 Annual Review is now available to download. It highlights our activities from the past year, including the launch of our new five year strategy, our visit to Israel and Palestine, and focus on long-view leadership.

Evidence Aid [to 20 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.

http://www.evidenceaid.org/

Resources [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.gavi.org/ Press Releases 18 April 2024

Gavi and UNICEF welcome approval of new oral cholera vaccine

Global Fund [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/ News & Stories 17 April 2024

New Nets Prevent 13 Million Malaria Cases in Sub-Saharan Africa

The New Nets Project, an initiative funded by Unitaid and the Global Fund and led by the Innovative Vector Control Consortium (IVCC), piloted the use of dual-insecticide in malaria-endemic countries between 2019 and 2022 to address the growing threat...

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://icvanetwork.org/ Latest Resources/Upcoming Events No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.interaction.org/

Latest Updates

Crises & Countries in Conflict

Community-Led Protection in Sudan

| Apr 19, 2024

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

CHS Alliance [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://chsalliance.org/ Our Impact/Events No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 20 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 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.alnap.org/

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.dec.org.uk/ LATEST PRESS RELEASES No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] - [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://humanitarianstudies.ch/

News

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.urd.org/en/ Publications, Events, News No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://ihsa.info/

News

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://inee.org/

News/Events/Resources

Launch of the INEE Minimum Standards for Education, 2024 Edition at the HNPW

On 7 May 2024 from 2-3:30pm UTC, this in-person and online event will showcase the INEE Minimum Standards, 2024 Edition, and the broad consultative process that informed it.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://phap.org/ Association news, events No new digest content identified.

Sphere [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://spherestandards.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://unitaid.org/ Featured News

18 April 2024

Unitaid and ANRS MIE Forge Stronger Collaboration to Combat Infectious Diseases

17 April 2024

New Nets Prevent 13 Million Malaria Cases in Sub-Saharan Africa

Compared to standard nets, the introduction of 56 million state-of-the-art mosquito nets in 17 countries across sub-Saharan Africa averted an estimated 13 million malaria cases and 24,600 deaths.

16 April 2024

<u>Unitaid and Expertise France announce the launch of Phase II of the SUCCESS program for the elimination of cervical cancer in ten low-resource countries</u>

...This innovative project adopts an integrated approach, deploying effective screening and treatment tools, integrating these services into existing healthcare systems, and strengthening awareness and community engagement to increase demand for cervical cancer prevention. By leveraging the lessons from the first phase, SUCCESS 2 aims to extend its impact to contribute significantly to the elimination of cervical cancer on a larger scale...

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Brookings [to 20 Apr 2024] http://www.brookings.edu/ Research & Commentary

The partial data barter trades of the digital economy

Technology Policy & Regulation Isaac Baley, Laura Veldkamp April 17, 2024

<u>Poverty and poverty reduction among non-elderly, nondisabled, childless adults in affluent countries: The United States in cross-national perspective</u>

Social Safety Net Janet Gornick, David Brady, Ive Marx, Zachary Parolin April 17, 2024

<u>Unpacking developing country debt problems: Selected reforms to the international financial architecture</u>

Multilateral Development Organizations Homi Kharas, Charlotte Rivard

Center for Global Development [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.cgd ev.org/ All Research [Selected] WORKING PAPERS

Climate Shocks, Adaptation, and Well-Being in Ghana: A Mixed Methods Study

Nkechi S. Owoo April 15, 2024

Adaptation is not a universal response to climate shocks, and while a lot of studies are geared towards building adaptive capacity of households, particularly in developing country settings, more recognition should be given to cultural and religious factors that may significantly mitigate responses.

POLICY PAPERS

<u>Disinvesting from Low-Value Health Technologies in Low- and Middle-Income Countries:</u> Between a Solution to the Current Fiscal Crises and a Costly Mirage?

Adrian Gheorghe and Peter Baker

April 15, 2024

Many low- and middle-income countries are projected to spend less on health over the rest of this decade than they did pre-2020. The adage "more health for the money" is more meaningful than ever—but how do we act on it quickly? Disinvesting from low-value health technologies and interventions is on...

Chatham House [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.chathamhouse.org/

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

<u>Independent Thinking: Are Israel and Iran on the brink of all-out war?</u>

Direct clashes between Israel and Iran have brought the Middle East to the brink of a regional war. Will both sides de-escalate or have tensions reached the point of no return? Audio

19 April 2024

Expert comment

<u>Iran-Israel exchanges are a test for China's influence in the Gulf</u>

Beijing's diplomatic activism shows it is worried Iran—Israel tit-for-tat may undermine Saudi—Iran reconciliation.

19 April 2024 4 minute READ

Expert comment

Simplicity is the key to closing the climate finance gap

Conventional, publicly capitalized financial instruments are the only way to mobilize private finance on a very large scale.

18 April 2024 4 minute READ

Expert comment

<u>Iran's attack on Israel was not the failure many claim but it has ended Israel's isolation</u>

The strikes demonstrated a more assertive approach from Tehran, but the region's security now depends on Israel's ability to play a longer game.

15 April 2024 4 minute READ

Expert comment

A new European Court of Human Rights ruling has established a vital new precedent

The judgement shows litigation can be used to hold governments to account on their climate ambitions – but much will depend on policy outcomes.

18 April 2024 3 minute READ

Research paper

How India's democracy shapes its global role and relations with the West

This paper examines the interplay between two dominant narratives on India today: the country's rise as an increasingly prominent geopolitical and economic actor; and concerns about democratic backsliding.

15 April 2024

Council on Foreign Relations [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

CSIS [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.csis.org/ Reports, Commentary [Selected]

Uptake, Use, and Inclusion Gains from Fast Payment Systems: Early Comparative Data

This latest CSIS Scholl Chair white paper explores various types of data to start shedding light on the impact of FPSs on digital payments use, access to finance, and participation in cross-border trade among consumers and small and medium-sized enterprises.

Report by Kati Suominen — April 18, 2024

Space Threat Assessment 2024

The 2024 Space Threat Assessment covers the growing counterspace capabilities of China, Russia, India, Iran, North Korea, and others. It also features analysis on the normalization of deviance on orbit and a look into coalitions of convenience that are being formed.

Report by Clayton Swope, Kari A. Bingen, Makena Young, Madeleine Chang, Stephanie Songer, and Jeremy Tammela — April 17, 2024

Expanding Workforce Development to Enable Nearshoring in the Northern Triangle

The Northern Triangle of Central America holds potential as a nearshoring destination for U.S. companies. Multiple stakeholders have the opportunity to address labor market challenges by expanding and creating workforce development initiatives.

Report by Daniel F. Runde, Romina Bandura, and Austin Hardman — April 16, 2024

McKinsey Global Institute [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.mckinsey.com/mgi/overview
Latest Research
No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://odi.org/en/publications/

Publications [Selected]

<u>Financing the fight against poverty and hunger - mobilising resources for a sustainable</u> development goal reset

19 April 2024 Research report

Adopting a low-emission and climate-resilient development pathway in Nepal

18 April 2024 Research report

As one of the most affected countries in the world on the Climate Risk Index, Nepal's population faces extreme vulnerability to climate change, with the threat of floods, air pollution, heatwaves, droughts and more increasing. Aligning Nepal's development planning with climate finance flows is critical to building resilience against these risks.

Making finance flow to adaptation in small-scale agrifood systems: The role of the third long-term goal of the Paris Agreement (Article 2.1 (c))

18 April 2024 Research report

Financing fragility: Effective partnerships for implementation in fragile contexts

15 April 2024 Briefing/policy paper

Pew Research Center [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Rand [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.rand.org/pubs.html Published Research [Selected]

Report

Using Artificial Intelligence Tools in K-12 Classrooms

In this report, the authors use surveys and interviews with educators to take a first look at how artificial intelligence is beginning to affect teaching and learning in kindergarten through grade 12 schools.

Apr 17, 2024

Melissa Kay Diliberti, Heather L. Schwartz, Sy Doan, Anna Shapiro, Lydia R. Rainey, Robin J. Lake *Key Findings*

- :: As of fall 2023, 18 percent of K–12 teachers reported using AI for teaching and another 15 percent have tried AI at least once.
- :: Middle and high school teachers and those who taught English language arts or social studies were more likely to be AI users.
- :: Among those teachers who use AI for teaching, most were using virtual learning platforms, adaptive learning systems, and chatbots on a weekly basis.
- :: The most common ways that teachers used AI tools were to adapt instructional content to fit the level of their students and to generate materials.
- :: By the end of the 2023–2024 school year, 60 percent of districts plan to have trained teachers about AI use. Urban districts were the least likely to deliver such training.
- :: In interviews, leaders described focusing more on increasing teachers' AI use and less on crafting student use policy, primarily because they saw the potential for AI to make teachers' jobs easier.

Commentary

Generative Artificial Intelligence Threats to Information Integrity and Potential Policy Responses

The authors provide an overview of the risks that generative artificial intelligence presents to democratic systems, as well as tangible and detailed whole-of-government and societal solutions to mitigate these risks at scale.

Apr 16, 2024

Todd C. Helmus, Bilva Chandra

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://researchonresearch.org/ RoRI News, Events April 15, 2024

<u>UK Launches National Chapter of the Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA)</u>

Alan Turing Institute

https://www.turing.ac.uk/

News

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.urban.org/publications **New Research Publications - Selected**

Brief

Food Insecurity Increased for the Second Straight Year in 2023

Households Faced Continued Pressure from High Food Prices and Fewer Supports Poonam Gupta, Elaine Waxman, Michael Karpman, Baris Tezel, Dulce Gonzalez April 18, 2024

The Wistar Institute [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases *Press Releases*No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

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ISC / International Science Council [to 20 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.

Latest Updates

Blogs

Sustainability Week at the UN General Assembly

The ISC continues to deepen its engagement with the UN General Assembly to advance science-informed deliberation, debate, and decision-making – most recently, through a high-level debate on debt sustainability and socioeconomic equality for all.

Bloas

Barcelona Declaration: open research information must be the new norm

The Barcelona Declaration is an initiative developed by a team of research information specialists, aimed at democratizing access to research information. This includes bibliographic metadata, funding details, and impact data, which are often inaccessible due to proprietary infrastructures. 16.04.2024

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.nae.edu/31222/MediaRoom Latest News & Press Releases No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://nam.edu/programs/ News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom?

News

<u>U.S. NAS Launches New Fund to Build Long-Term Ukrainian Science and Innovation</u> <u>Enterprise</u>

News Release | April 17, 2024

WASHINGTON — The U.S. National Academy of Sciences (NAS) has established a new <u>Science and Innovation Fund for Ukraine</u> — which aims to cultivate a robust Ukrainian science and technology enterprise capable of rebuilding Ukraine and fueling its long-term economic prosperity and national security. In addition, the fund will provide near-term relief to individual Ukrainian scientists working both inside and outside of the country...

New Comprehensive Review Examines Potential Harms of COVID-19 Vaccination and Intramuscular Vaccination

News Release | April 16, 2024

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.neh.gov/newsroom?f%5B0%5D=news type%3A281&f%5B1%5D=newsroom content type%3Anews

Newsroom

Press Release

NEH Announces \$26.2 Million for 238 Humanities Projects Nationwide

Grant awards support humanities exhibitions and documentaries, programs at colleges and universities, expanding access to historical collections, sustainability projects at museums and archives, and scholarly research in the humanities.

April 16, 2024

NIH [to 20 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 20]

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https://cioms.ch/

News; Publications; Events No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.thehastingscenter.org/for-media/

Press Releases, Events

No new digest content identified.

INSERM [to 20 Apr 2024] https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/news News

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/

Press Releases

WMA Stands Against Oppressive Anti-LGBTQ Laws in Uganda

19.04.2024

WMA calls for international solidarity in opposing UK proposed legislation on migrants' rights

19.04.2024

WMA Urges Gambia to Reject Bill Lifting Ban on Female Genital Mutilation

18.04.2024

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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 20 Apr 2024]

https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/

News

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center

Press Releases and Statements

Press release Apr 18, 2024

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and European Investment Bank Launch Pilot in Africa to Improve Women Entrepreneurs' Access to Capital

Thousands of women across Kenya will benefit from the €30 million microfinance programme backed by the new cooperation

Blue Meridian Partners [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.emcf.org/capital-aggregation/blue-meridian-partners/

Blue Meridian Partners is a new capital aggregation collaboration that plans to invest at least \$1 billion in high-performance nonprofits that are poised to have truly national impact for economically disadvantaged children and youth.

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.clintonfoundation.org/media-center/

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 20 Apr 2024]

www.co-impact.io

Co-Impact is a global philanthropic collaborative for systems change focused on improving the lives of millions of people around the world.

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/

News & Press No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.getty.edu/news/all/ Latest News No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press Press Releases No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases Press Releases No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.hhmi.org/news Press Room No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

IKEA Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.ikeafoundation.org/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

Kaiser Family Foundation [to20 Apr 2024]

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

Newsroom

Ten Things to Know About Consolidation in Health Care Provider Markets

April 19, 2024 News Release

Mergers and acquisitions involving hospitals and other health care providers are drawing attention from federal and state regulators, including the Federal Trade Commission, and policymakers amid concerns that such consolidations can reduce competition and contribute to the high costs of health care. A new KFF brief examines and summarizes the...

Explainer: How States Are Using Medicaid Waivers to Help Incarcerated Individuals Get Care and Transition Back into Their Communities

April 16, 2024 News Release

Compared to the general population, individuals who are incarcerated have higher rates of mental illness, substance use disorder, and chronic disease. However, the federal "inmate exclusion" policy prohibits Medicaid coverage for people who are incarcerated (except for limited inpatient hospital services). When people leave incarceration, they are at greater risk...

Could the Comstock Act Be Used to Limit Abortion Access Nationwide?

April 15, 2024 News Release

In a new brief, KFF examines how the Comstock Act, an 1873 anti-vice law banning the mailing of obscene matter and articles, could be used by an anti-abortion presidential administration to sharply restrict the availability of abortion nationwide. The Biden Administration's Department of Justice has said the Comstock Act should...

Kellogg Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News & Media

Kalamazoo Community Foundation: Bringing the outside in

Racial Equity Apr. 18, 2024

Aga Khan Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://the.akdn/en/resources-media/whats-new/press-release

News Releases

15 April 2024

Primary health care and the Tanzania Comprehensive Cancer Project

NEWS RELEASE – AKDN's Director for Health Gijs Walraven and his co-authors offer their reflections in a letter to *The Lancet*.

MacArthur Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.macfound.org/

Press Releases/What We're Learning

Grantee News

Linking Climate and Community Development Finance through Historic EPA Funding

April 18, 2024

Grantee Publications

<u>Videos Show Stronger Setback Regulation Could Protect New Mexico Children</u>

April 15, 2024

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.mellon.org/press

News

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.moore.org/news

Recent News

No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundations [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/newsroom

Newsroom

April 17, 2024

Open Society Foundations Announce a \$20 Million Investment to Support Haitian Civil Society

Open Society's pledge to Haiti will focus on reinforcing rights, strengthening food security, supporting arts and culture for social change, and promoting critical thinking with university and institutional partnerships.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News

Packard Foundation Announces \$480 Million to Advance Ocean Conservation

April 17, 2024

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation announced today it is intending to commit \$480 million over the next five years to advance bold action for people, the ocean, and climate. The announcement was made during the closing ceremony of the annual Our Ocean Conference, hosted in Athens, Greece, where governments, intergovernmental organizations, academia, the private sector, and civil society organizations came together to discuss and address key ocean challenges – including accelerating climate change, illegal and unsustainable fishing, and habitat loss – for a more sustainable future.

This new funding will address three of the greatest threats to ocean health —unsustainable fisheries, climate change and habitat loss...

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 20 Apr 2024]

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

News Room

Event April 25, 2024

How 3 U.S. States Incorporate Coastal Habitats Into Climate Change Planning

Rockefeller Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/

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Energy Transition Accelerator Advances With New Secretariat, Expert Consultative Group

Apr 18 2024 Press Releases

Rockefeller Foundation Joins Mayor Adams and Cross-Sector Partnership To Reduce Food-Related Carbon Emissions

Apr 17 2024 Press Releases

National University of Singapore's IES, The Rockefeller Foundation Advance Renewable Energy Connectivity in Southeast Asia

Apr 17 2024 Press Releases

ACEN and Rockefeller Foundation Pilot Could Avoid up to 19 Million Tons of CO2 via Carbon Financing

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 20 Apr 2024]

http://www.sciencephilanthropyalliance.org/what-we-do/news/

"...a group of organizations working together to increase philanthropic support for basic scientific research on a global basis..."

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://sloan.org/about/press

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://wellcome.org/ News. Opinion, Reports No new digest content identified.

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Candid [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 20 Apr 2024 https://candid.org/about/press-room?fcref=pg
Press Releases/News
No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 20 Apr 2024]

https://www.cof.org/newsroom

Press Releases

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:: Journal Watch

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

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

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

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 26, Number 4: E275-359 April 2024

https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/critical-pedagogies-health-professions-education

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.

American Journal of Human Genetics

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

American Journal of Infection Control

April 2024 Volume 52 Issue 4p 381-499 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

March 2024 Volume 66 Issue 3 p389-572 https://www.ajpmonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

May 2024 114(5) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 110 (2024): Issue 4 (Apr 2024) https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/110/4/tpmd.110.issue-4.xml [Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

April 2024 Volume 177, Issue 4 https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current [New issue; No digest content identified]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archlogy

Issue 398 - April 2024 https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest [Reviewed earlier]

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

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/330/suppl/C

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 20 Apr 2024)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 20 Apr 2024)

<u>Health workforce strategies during COVID-19 response: insights from 15 countries in the WHO Africa Region</u>

The COVID-19 pandemic unveiled huge challenges in health workforce governance in the context of public health emergencies in Africa. Several countries applied several measures to ensure access to qualified and...

Authors: Adam Ahmat, Sunny C Okoroafor, James Avoka Asamani, Millogo Jean, Abdou Illou Mourtala,

Jennifer Nyoni and Kasonde Mwinga

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2024 24:470 Content type: Research Published on: 15 April 2024

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 20 Apr 2024)

Modelling the impact of hybrid immunity on future COVID-19 epidemic waves

Since the emergence of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19), there have been multiple waves of infection and multiple rounds of vaccination rollouts. Both prior infection and vaccination can prevent future infection and redu...

Authors: Thao P. Le, Isobel Abell, Eamon Conway, Patricia T. Campbell, Alexandra B. Hogan, Michael J.

Lydeamore, Jodie McVernon, Ivo Mueller, Camelia R. Walker and Christopher M. Baker

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2024 24:407 Content type: Research Published on: 16 April 2024

The global patent landscape of emerging infectious disease monkeypox

Monkeypox is an emerging infectious disease with confirmed cases and deaths in several parts of the world. In light of this crisis, this study aims to analyze the global knowledge pattern of monkeypox-related patents and explore current trends and future technical directions in the medical development of monkeypox to inform research and policy.

Authors: Yuangi Cai, Xiaoming Zhang, Kuixing Zhang, Jingbo Liang, Pingping Wang, Jinyu Cong, Xin

Xu, Mengyao Ii, Kunmeng Liu and Benzheng Wei Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2024 24:403 Content type: Research Published on: 15 April 2024

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 20 Apr 2024)

Research ethics and artificial intelligence for global health: perspectives from the global forum on bioethics in research

The ethical governance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in health care and public health continues to be an urgent issue for attention in policy, research, and practice. In this paper we report on central theme... Authors: James Shaw, Joseph Ali, Caesar A. Atuire, Phaik Yeong Cheah, Armando Guio Español, Judy Wawira Gichoya, Adrienne Hunt, Daudi Jjingo, Katherine Littler, Daniela Paolotti and Effy Vayena

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2024 25:46

Content type: Research Published on: 18 April 2024

BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content (Accessed 20 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content (Accessed 20 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles (Accessed 20 Apr 2024)

Knowledge and trust of mothers regarding childhood vaccination in Rwanda

Knowledge and trust are some of the contributing factors to vaccine acceptance(VA) and Vaccine hesitancy (VH) is one of the top threats to global health. A significant drop in childhood vaccination has been ob...

Authors: Edward Mbonigaba, Fengyun Yu, Mark Donald C Reñosa, Frederick Nchang Cho, Qiushi Chen,

Claudia M Denkinger, Shannon A McMahon and Simiao Chen

Citation: BMC Public Health 2024 24:1067

Content type: Research Published on: 17 April 2024

BMC Research Notes

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 20 Apr 2024) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

April 2024 - Volume 29 - 2 https://ebm.bmj.com/content/29/2 [Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health

April 2024 - Volume 9 - Suppl 1

https://gh.bmj.com/content/9/Suppl 1

Social determinants of health equity

Analysis

The cost of inaction on health equity and its social determinants (8 April, 2024)

Pooja Yerramilli, Mickey Chopra, Kumanan Rasanathan

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

March 2024

https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2024-03/

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 102(4); 2024 Apr 1

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/issues/458786/

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 50, Issue 3 May 2024

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 149 March 2024

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/149/suppl/C

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 115, Issue 5 Pages: 907-1175 May 2024

https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current

Mini Review

<u>Summary Report of a Public Workshop: Case Studies of Multi-Regional Clinical Trial Incorporating Concept of the ICH E17 Guideline</u>

Nobuko Matsushima, Yasuto Otsubo, Yoko Aoi, Ryuta Nakamura, Shuhei Kaneko, Takashi Asakawa, Nobushige Matsuoka, Kei Watabe, Osamu Komiyama, Hideharu Yamamoto, Yuki Ando

Pages: 965-970

First Published: 22 January 2024

Abstract

To further our understanding of the International Council for Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH) E17 guideline and promote effective implementation, a public workshop was held in Japan by regulatory agency and industry representatives. In this workshop, important concepts explained in the ICH E17 guideline, such as intrinsic/extrinsic ethnic factors that influence treatment effects ("effect modifiers") and the holistic evaluation of consistency of treatment effect were actively discussed through case studies. The importance of holistic evaluation of

consistency was recognized, and it was concluded that the evaluation and relevant discussion should be shared with regulatory authorities, sponsors, and broader stakeholders.

Systematic Review Open Access

<u>Pharmacotherapy to Improve Cognitive Functioning After Acquired Brain Injury: A Meta-Analysis and Meta-Regression</u>

Ruud van der Veen, Marsh Königs, Simon Bakker, Andries van Iperen, Saskia Peerdeman, Pierre M.

Bet, Jaap Oosterlaan Pages: 971-987

First Published: 31 January 2024

Clinical Therapeutics

March 2024 Volume 46 Issue 3 p185-304 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 21 Issue 2, April 2024 https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/21/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 20 Apr 2024]

<u>Armed actor interventions in humanitarian and public health crises: examining perspectives of crisis-affected community members</u>

Despite frequently providing non-military services in times of crisis, little systematic research has examined the perspectives of crisis-affected community members on the role of armed actors responding to hu...

Authors: Samuel T. Boland, Alexandria Nylen, Madison Bates, Maria Carinnes Alejandria, Rob Grace,

Zein Tayyeb and Adam C. Levine

Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18:33

Content type: Research Published on: 18 April 2024

<u>Prevalence, comorbidities, and factors associated with prolonged grief disorder,</u> <u>posttraumatic stress disorder and complex posttraumatic stress disorder in refugees: a systematic review</u>

The number of refugees worldwide is at an all-time high with many being exposed to potentially traumatic events and the loss of loved ones. The 11th revision of the International Statistical Classification of Dis...

Authors: Franziska Lechner-Meichsner, Hannah Comtesse and Marie Olk

Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18:32

Content type: Review Published on: 16 April 2024

<u>How integration of refugees into national health systems became a global priority: a qualitative policy analysis</u>

Despite a long history of political discourse around refugee integration, it wasn't until 2016 that this issue emerged as a global political priority. Limited research has examined the evolution of policies of...

Authors: Shatha Elnakib, Caitlin Jackson, Ummekulsoom Lalani, Yusra Ribhi Shawar and Sara Bennett

Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18(Suppl 1):31 Content type: Research Published on: 15 April 2024

The emergence and regression of political priority for refugee integration into the Jordanian health system: an analysis using the Kingdon's multiple streams model

The prolonged presence of Syrian refugees in Jordan has highlighted the need for sustainable health service delivery models for refugees. In 2012, the Jordanian government adopted a policy that granted Syrian ...

Authors: Shatha Elnakib, Laila Akhu-Zaheya, Wejdan Khater, Lama Bou-Karroum, Gladys Honein-

AbouHaidar, Sabine Salameh, Yusra Ribhi Shawar and Paul Spiegel

Citation: Conflict and Health 2024 18(Suppl 1):30 Content type: Research Published on: 15 April 2024

Contemporary Clinical Trials

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

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 7, Issue 2 / April 2024 https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/7/2 [New issue; No digest content identified]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 11, issue 1-2, June 2023 https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/11-1 [Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 40, Issue 3 2024 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/19348258 [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 24, Issue 1 Pages: 1-48 March 2024
https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current

**Access to Essential Medicines for Global Health and the Human Right to Health

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 34, Issue 2, 2024

https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/34/2

BRAC at 50: reflecting on 50 years of BRAC contributions to development knowledge and

practice. Guest Editors: Nicola Banks, Nusrat Jahan, and Imran Matin

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 42, Issue 2 March 2024 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current [Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 18 - 2024

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

issue

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

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 [Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

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

Epidemics

Volume 46 March 2024 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/46/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 152 - 2024

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 46, Issue 2 Pages: 1-35 March—April 2024 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/25782363/current

Indigenous data sovereignty :: Returning clinically relevant results

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 37 - Issue 4 - Winter 2023 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

Volume 31 (December 2023) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ethics-medicine-and-public-health/vol/31/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 34, Issue 2, April 2024 https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/34/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy

Volume 123 February 2024 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/123/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 16, Issue 1 February 2024 https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/16-1 [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 https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2023/103/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

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

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 26, Issue 4 April 2024 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/26/issue/4 [New issue; No digest content identified]

Genome Medicine

https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 16, Issue 2 June 2024 https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/16-2 Contents [Reviewed earlier]

Global Health Action

Volume 17, Issue 1 (2024) https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/current?nav=tocList [Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 12, No. 1 February 28, 2024 http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

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

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

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[Accessed 20 Apr 2024]

Article

<u>Egypt: Court of Cassation Rejects Appeal Petition of Christian Convicted of the Crime of 'Contempt of Religion'</u>

On March 6, 2024, the <u>Criminal Chamber of the Court of Cassation</u>, Egypt's highest review court on questions of law, rejected a petition of appeal submitted by Marco Gergis Saleeb, a Christian who was accused of committing the offense of "contempt of religion."

Facts of the Case

On June 14, 2021, the Egyptian authorities <u>arrested</u> Saleeb, accusing him of possessing images "considered offensive to the Islamic religion" on his mobile phone. After detaining him for nearly a month, the State Security Prosecution questioned Saleeb and then charged him with insulting Islam by posting comments critical of Islamic principles and rituals on social media and possessing images offensive to the Islamic faith. Saleeb denied having contempt for religions and publishing pictures on the internet, but the prosecution referred the file of the case to the criminal court.

Contributor: Sadek, George

Date: 2024-04-17

Article

Brazil: Rights of Children and Adolescents in Digital Environments Regulated

On April 5, 2024, Brazil's Ministry of Human Rights and Citizenship enacted Resolution No. 245, which provides for the rights of children and adolescents in digital environments. The resolution aims to address the risks of violations, exploitation, and abuse to which children are exposed through their use of digital technology. (Ministério dos Direitos Humanos e ...

Contributor: Soares, Eduardo

Date: 2024-04-14

Global Public Health

Volume 19, Issue 1 (2024) http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/ [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

Health and Human Rights

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

Health Economics, Policy and Law

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

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 39, Issue 3, April 2024 https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/39/3

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content [Accessed 20 Apr 2024]

National strategies for knowledge translation in health policy-making: A scoping review of grey literature

Without strategic actions in its support, the translation of scientific research evidence into health policy is often absent or delayed. This review systematically maps and assesses national-level strategic do... Authors: Balázs Babarczy, Julia Scarlett, Tarang Sharma, Péter Gaál, Balázs Szécsényi-Nagy and Tanja Kuchenmüller

Citation: Health Research Policy and Systems 2024 22:50 Content type: Research Published on: 20 April 2024

Human Gene Therapy

Volume 35, Issue 5-6 / March 2024 https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/35/5-6 [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 [No new digest content identified]

Implementation Research and Practice

https://journals.sagepub.com/articles/IRP [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

http://www.infectagentscancer.com/ [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

http://www.idpjournal.com/content [Accessed 20 Apr 2024] [No new digest content identified]

International Health

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

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 12 (2023): Issue 2 (Dec 2023)

https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/12/2/hrlr.12.issue-2.xml

Table of Contents [Reviewed earlier]

The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 32 (2024): Issue 1 (Mar 2024)

https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/32/1/chil.32.issue-1.xml

Table of Contents [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol. 11 No. 3 (2024): March 2024

https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/110

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 103 March 2024

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/103/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 53, Issue 2, April 2024 https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/53/2

[Reviewed earlier]

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

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 17 Issue 1 2024

https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/17/iss/1

Table of contents [Reviewed earlier]

International Migration Review

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

International Review of Education – Journal of Lifelong Learning

Volume 70, Issue 1 February 2024 https://link.springer.com/journal/11159/volumes-and-issues/70-1 [Reviewed earlier]

International Review of the Red Cross

No. 924 December 2023 https://international-review.icrc.org/

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 https://journals.lww.com/invn/pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Issues in Science and Technology

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

JAMA

April 16, 2024, Vol 331, No. 15, Pages 1257-1340 https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue [New issue; No digest content identified]

JAMA Health Forum

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

JAMA Pediatrics

April 2024, Vol 178, No. 4, Pages 326-422 https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/currentissue [Reviewed earlier]

JBI Evidence Synthesis

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

Journal of Adolescent Health

April 2024 Volume 74 Issue 4 p629-860 https://www.jahonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

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 https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/49-2 [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

https://www.cmro.in/index.php/jcmro/issue/view/75

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Journal of Cultural Heritage

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

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

Journal of Development Economics

Volume 168 May 2024 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/168/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

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 https://jech.bmj.com/content/78/3 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

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

Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 19, Issue 3 (2023) http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjge20/current [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

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Viewpoint

The importance of global bioethics to paediatric health care

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Summary

The paradigm of values adopted by the global health community has a palpable, albeit often unseen, impact on patient health care. In this Viewpoint, we investigate an inherent tension in the core values of medical ethics and clinical practice that could explain why paediatric health care faces resource constraints despite compelling economic and societal imperatives to prioritise child health and wellbeing. The dominant narrative in the philosophy of medicine tends to disproportionately underscore values of independence and self-determination, which becomes problematic in the context of paediatric patients, who by their very nature epitomise vulnerability and dependence. A double-ieopardy situation arises when disadvantaged children see their inherent dependence leveraged against them. We illustrate this predicament through specific examples relating to rights and obligations and to autonomy. Alternative value perspectives—communitarianism and relational autonomy—might offer more robust protection for vulnerable children. A shift away from the dominant narrative towards a more explicit and inclusive discussion of values is necessary. Such a shift requires giving a legitimate platform to diverse perspectives, with the presumption that collective moral progress is possible: this endeavour is embodied by global bioethics. Successful implementation of global bioethics, in turn, hinges on close collaboration between practicing clinicians and bioethicists. Taking global bioethics seriously and actively pursuing collaboration could help the global health community achieve more equitable health care.

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The oral poliovirus vaccine—a solution and a concern for eradication

Martin Faye, Maria Dolores Fernandez-Garcia

Novel oral poliovirus vaccine type 2 is an important eradication tool, but reaching every last child remains vital

Larry Kotei, Ed Clarke

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The role of NITAGs in government decisions on vaccine use: insights from the Fifth Global NITAG Network meeting

Louise Henaff, Dace Zavadska, Mario Melgar, Johanna Fihman, Christoph Steffen, Joachim Hombach

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Ending tuberculosis: ways forward

The Lancet Respiratory Medicine [Excerpt]

...We look forward to hearing progress made by the new WHO TB vaccine accelerator council, established to ease licensing of <u>novel vaccines</u> (five candidates have reached phase 3 trials). M72/AS01E—the most promising candidate—is being assessed in a large RCT across Africa and Southeast Asia with the aim of preventing progression from infection to active tuberculosis in adults. Results are expected in late 2029, but phase 2b data for latent tuberculosis infection are promising (vaccine efficacy 50% [90% CI 12–71]). The WHO 5-year Flagship Initiative should help to accelerate this progress, as a call was made to license a new vaccine by 2027. In the UN high-level meeting later this year, governments will review progress and update guidance, building on commitments made in 2023, including the goal to reach 90% of people at risk with tuberculosis preventive treatment (TPT) by 2027. The new ICE-TB classification will help to identify those most likely to benefit from TPT. However, further research is needed to develop shorter, safer treatment regimens to improve completion rates.

Worldwide efforts have prevented 75 million deaths since 2000, but more <u>funding</u> is needed. From investing in the Global Fund, the UK managed to reduce the price and improve access to tuberculosis drugs, with a recent pledge of £1 billion for 2023–2025 to treat 1 million and screen 20 million people. Despite reversing the impact of COVID-19 on tuberculosis, most regions are far from reaching End TB Strategy targets, with LMICs receiving US\$1 billion less funding for tuberculosis services in 2022 than in 2018. At the recent UN meeting, governments promised to spend \$22 billion on tuberculosis by 2027, but \$13 billion was promised in 2018 and by 2022, less than half was mobilised.

Innovations in diagnosing tuberculosis have reached high-burden countries. The GeneXpert system provides results in 1 h, but the problem of affordability remains. <u>Doctors Without Borders</u> lobbied for cheaper tests—hoping to exert the same pressure that allowed generic competition for bedaquiline—and inventors of GeneXpert agreed to collaborate with the Global Fund, Stop TB Partnership, and USAID to make zero profit on standard <u>tuberculosis cartridges</u>, allowing 5 million tests to be acquired at a lower price.

Trials show promise for a new tuberculosis vaccine, but researchers need to consider access and affordability in LMICs. Learning from accelerated COVID-19 vaccine rollout and a comprehensive health-care approach are key. The WHO TB vaccine accelerator council must improve cooperation between funders and governments to overcome barriers to development. Tracking progress across the spectrum of disease and establishing long-term outcomes (post-tuberculosis sequelae) should be the priority. We advocate for governments to maintain accountability and focus on moving, step by step, towards eradication.

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How India can become a science powerhouse

As the world's largest election kicks off this week, India has an opportunity to reimagine science funding.

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Making genome editing a success story in Africa

Hussein M. Abkallo,

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<u>Guidance on use of race, ethnicity, and geographic origin as proxies for genetic ancestry</u> groups in biomedical publications

W. Gregory Feero, Robert D. Steiner, Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo

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Articles

Enhanced cholera surveillance to improve vaccination campaign efficiency

A modeling study of 35 cholera-affected countries in Africa showed that introducing cholera surveillance could improve the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of preventive cholera vaccination campaigns.

Hanmeng Xu, Kaiyue Zou, Elizabeth C. Lee

Abstract

Systematic testing for Vibrio cholerae O1 is rare, which means that the world's limited supply of oral cholera vaccines (OCVs) may not be delivered to areas with the highest true cholera burden. Here we used a phenomenological model with subnational geographic targeting and fine-scale vaccine effects to model how expanding V. cholerae testing affected impact and cost-effectiveness for preventive vaccination campaigns across different bacteriological confirmation and vaccine targeting assumptions in 35 African countries. Systematic testing followed by OCV targeting based on confirmed cholera yielded higher efficiency and cost-effectiveness and slightly fewer averted cases than status quo scenarios targeting suspected cholera. Targeting vaccine to populations with an annual incidence rate greater than 10 per 10,000, the testing scenario averted 10.8 (95% prediction interval (PI) 9.4–12.6) cases per 1,000 fully vaccinated persons while the status quo scenario averted 6.9 (95% PI 6.0–7.8) cases per 1,000 fully vaccinated persons. In the testing scenario, testing costs increased by US\$31 (95% PI 25–39) while vaccination costs reduced by US\$248 (95% PI 176–326) per averted case compared to the status quo. Introduction of systematic testing into cholera surveillance could improve efficiency and reach of global OCV supply for preventive vaccination.

<u>Self-help mobile messaging intervention for depression among older adults in resource-limited settings: a randomized controlled trial</u>

The PRODIGITAL-D trial in adults aged 60+ years from socioeconomically deprived areas of Brazil showed that a 6-week self-help mobile messaging psychosocial intervention was effective in improving depression recovery at 3 months compared to a single message control intervention.

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Open science in precision medicine for neurodegenerative diseases

Open science initiatives that harness human genomic and genetic data could help increase the likelihood of successfully developing new drugs for neurodegenerative diseases. Hampton L. Leonard, Mike A. Nalls, Andrew B. Singleton

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Perspective 13 Dec 2023

The transition from genomics to phenomics in personalized population health

This Perspective reviews large-scale genomics and longitudinal phenomics efforts and the insights they can provide into wellness. The authors describe their vision for the transformation of the current health care from disease-oriented to data-driven, wellness-oriented and personalized population health.

James T. Yurkovich, Simon J. Evans, Leroy E. Hood

Abstract

Modern health care faces several serious challenges, including an ageing population and its inherent burden of chronic diseases, rising costs and marginal quality metrics. By assessing and optimizing the health trajectory of each individual using a data-driven personalized approach that reflects their genetics, behaviour and environment, we can start to address these challenges. This assessment includes longitudinal phenome measures, such as the blood proteome and metabolome, gut microbiome composition and function, and lifestyle and behaviour through wearables and questionnaires. Here, we review ongoing large-scale genomics and longitudinal phenomics efforts and the powerful insights they provide into wellness. We describe our vision for the transformation of the current health care from disease-oriented to data-driven, wellness-oriented and personalized population health.

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<u>Fundamentals of Medical Ethics: Expanding Applications of Clinical Genetic Testing —</u> <u>Ethical Challenges</u>

S.M. Fullerton and K.B. Brothers

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<u>Implementing supportive supervision in acute humanitarian emergencies: Lessons learned from Afghanistan and Ukraine</u>

Nadeen Abujaber, Meg Ryan, Kelly A. McBride, Pia Tingsted Blum, Michelle Engels, Anna Didenko, Hannah Green, Catia Sofia Peres de Matos, Shona Whitton, Frédérique Vallières Research Article | published 17 Apr 2024 PLOS Global Public Health https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0002416

Eliminating malaria in our time

Caroline A. Lynch, Karma Lhazeen, Manash Shrestha, Varunika Ruwanpura, Neena Valecha, Kamala Thriemer

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COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy among adults in Liberia, April-May 2021

Lily M. Sanvee-Blebo, Peter A. Adewuyi, Faith K. Whesseh, Obafemi Joseph Babalola, Himiede W. Wilson-Sesay, Godwin E. Akpan, Chukwuma David Umeokonkwo, Peter Clement, Maame Amo-Addae Research Article | published 17 Apr 2024 PLOS ONE https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0297089

Research ethics review during the COVID-19 pandemic: An international study

Fabio Salamanca-Buentello, Rachel Katz, Diego S. Silva, Ross E. G. Upshur, Maxwell J. Smith Research Article | published 16 Apr 2024 PLOS ONE https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0292512
Abstract

Research ethics review committees (ERCs) worldwide faced daunting challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic. There was a need to balance rapid turnaround with rigorous evaluation of high-risk research protocols in the context of considerable uncertainty. This study explored the experiences and performance of ERCs during the pandemic. We conducted an anonymous, cross-sectional, global online survey of chairs (or their delegates) of ERCs who were involved in the review of COVID-19-related research protocols after March 2020. The survey ran from October 2022 to February 2023 and consisted of 50 items, with opportunities for descriptive responses to open-ended questions. Two hundred and three participants [130 from high-income countries (HICs) and 73 from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs)] completed our survey. Respondents came from diverse entities and organizations from 48 countries (19 HICs and 29 LMICs) in all World Health Organization regions. Responses show little of the increased global funding for COVID-19 research was allotted to the operation of ERCs. Few ERCs had pre-existing internal policies to address operation during public health emergencies, but almost half used existing guidelines. Most ERCs modified existing procedures or designed and implemented new ones but had not evaluated the success of these changes.

Participants overwhelmingly endorsed permanently implementing several of them. Few ERCs added new members but non-member experts were consulted; quorum was generally achieved. Collaboration among ERCs was infrequent, but reviews conducted by external ERCs were recognized and validated. Review volume increased during the pandemic, with COVID-19-related studies being prioritized. Most protocol reviews were reported as taking less than three weeks. One-third of respondents reported external pressure on their ERCs from different stakeholders to approve or reject specific COVID-19-related protocols. ERC members faced significant challenges to keep their committees functioning during the pandemic. Our findings can inform ERC approaches towards future public health emergencies. To our knowledge, this is the first international, COVID-19-related study of its kind.

<u>Agricultural education in Africa using YouTube multilingual animations: A retrospective feasibility study assessing costs to reach language-diverse populations</u>

N. Peter Reeves, Victor Giancarlo Sal y Rosas Celi, Anne N. Lutomia, John William Medendorp, Julia Bello-Bravo, Barry Pittendrigh

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How social evaluations shape trust in 45 types of scientists

Vukašin Gligorić, Gerben A. van Kleef, Bastiaan T. Rutjens Research Article | published 18 Apr 2024 PLOS ONE https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0299621 Abstract

Science can offer solutions to a wide range of societal problems. Key to capitalizing on such solutions is the public's trust and willingness to grant influence to scientists in shaping policy. However, previous research on determinants of trust is limited and does not factor in the diversity of scientific occupations. The present study (N = 2,780; U.S. participants) investigated how four well-established dimensions of social evaluations (competence, assertiveness, morality, warmth) shape trust in 45 types of scientists (from agronomists to zoologists). Trust in most scientists was relatively high but varied considerably across occupations. Perceptions of morality and competence emerged as the most important antecedents of trust, in turn predicting the willingness to grant scientists influence in managing societal problems. Importantly, the contribution of morality (but not competence) varied across occupations: Morality was most strongly associated with trust in scientists who work on contentious and polarized issues (e.g., climatologists). Therefore, the diversity of scientific occupations must be taken into account to more precisely map trust, which is important for understanding when scientific solutions find their way to policy.

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Species-level, digitized wildlife trade data are essential for achieving biodiversity targets
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David G. Anderson

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<u>Childhood maltreatment influences adult brain structure through its effects on immune, metabolic, and psychosocial factors</u>

Childhood maltreatment (CM) leads to a lifelong susceptibility to mental ill-health which might be reflected by its effects on adult brain structure, perhaps indirectly mediated by its effects on adult metabolic, immune, and psychosocial systems. Indexing ...

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France needs a chief science adviser

BY Patrick Lemaire, François Massol 18 Apr 2024

France is at a crossroads, facing environmental and social challenges that are profoundly altering its society. Yet, the French government keeps prioritizing short-term political gains over long-term evidence-based planning for major transitions that France, like most countries, will undergo over the next 20 years. There is an urgent need for France to implement long-term science-informed policy-making.

In Depth

Plans to expand African vaccine production face steep hurdles

BY Jon Cohen

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Moderna's pause on Kenya project highlights difficulties in creating a competitive vaccine sector on the continent

Policy Forum

Developing transmissible vaccines for animal infections

BY Daniel G. Streicker [...] Scott L. Nuismer

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Intrinsically safe designs and a staged transparent development process will be essential Abstract

Many emerging and reemerging pathogens originate from wildlife, but nearly all wild species are unreachable using conventional vaccination, which requires capture of and vaccine administration to individual animals. By enabling immunization at scales sufficient to interrupt pathogen transmission, transmissible vaccines (TVs) that spread themselves through wildlife populations by infectious processes could potentially transform the management of otherwise intractable challenges to public health, wildlife conservation, and animal welfare. However, generating TVs likely requires modifying viruses that would be intended to spread in nature, which raises concerns ranging from technical feasibility, to safety and security risks, to regulatory uncertainties (1, 2). We propose a series of commitments and strategies for vaccine development—beginning with a priori decisions on vaccine design and continuing through to stakeholder codevelopment [see supplementary materials (SM)]—that we believe increase the likelihood that the potential risks of vaccine transmission are outweighed by benefits to conservation, animal welfare, and zoonosis prevention.

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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>Systematic Review of Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices of Dairy Farmers and Consumers Towards Bovine Tuberculosis in Low- and Middle-Income Countries.</u>

Abigail Van Der Zwan, Patricia T Campbell, Nancy Shi, Nikita De Bortoli, Juan Pablo Villanueva Cabezas medRxiv 2024.04.19.24306060; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.04.19.24306060

An analysis of humanitarian and health aid harmonisation over a decade (2011-2019) of the Syrian conflict

Munzer Alkhalil, Abdulkarim Ekzayez, Kristen Meagher, Maher Al Aref, Rim Turkmani, Aula Abbara, Zedoun Al Zoubi, Nassim El Achi, Preeti Patel

medRxiv 2024.04.17.24305968; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.04.17.24305968 Conclusion

Harmonisation of aid within the Syrian crisis was found to have little correlation with the crisis parameters and population needs, instead aligning more with donor policies. Assessing fragmentation solely at the donor level is also insufficient. Aid effectiveness should be assessed with the inclusion of community engagement and aid beneficiary perspectives. Harmonisation mechanisms must be disentangled from international politics to improve aid effectiveness. In Syria, this study calls for finding and supporting alternative humanitarian coordination and funding mechani

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Reporting of cluster randomised crossover trials 2023: extension of the CONSORT 2010

statement with explanation and elaboration

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In this report we present the Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) extension for the cluster randomised crossover (CRXO) trial. A CRXO trial involves randomisation of groups of individuals ('clusters') to different sequences of treatments over time. The design has gained popularity in settings where cluster randomisation is required as it can largely overcome the loss in power due to clustering in parallel cluster trials. However, the design has many methodological complexities, requiring tailored reporting guidance. The guideline was developed using a survey and in-person consensus meeting, informed by a systematic review examining the quality of reporting in CRXO trials and relevant CONSORT statements for individual, crossover, cluster and stepped-wedge designs. We provide recommended reporting items, along with explanations and examples.

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<u>'Almost nothing is firmly established': A History of Heredity and Genetics in Mental Health Science</u>

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Abstract

Background

For more than a century, scientists have tried to find the key to causation of mental ill health in heredity and genetics. The difficulty of finding clear and actionable answers in our genes has not stopped them looking. This history offers important context to understanding mental health science today.

Methods

This article explores the main themes in research on genetics and inheritance in psychiatry from the second half of the nineteenth century to the present day, to address the question: what is the history of genetics as a causative explanation in mental health science? We take a critical historical approach to the literature, interrogating primary and secondary material for the light it brings to the research question, while considering the social and historical context.

Results

We begin with the statistics gathered in asylums and used to 'prove' the importance of heredity in mental ill health. We then move through early twentieth century Mendelian models of mental inheritance, the eugenics movement, the influence of social psychiatry, new classifications and techniques of the postwar era, the Human Genome Project and Genome Wide Association Studies

(GWAS) and epigenetics. Setting these themes in historical context shows that this research was often popular because of wider social, political and cultural issues, which impacted the views of scientists just as they did those of policymakers, journalists and the general public.

Conclusions

We argue that attempting to unpick this complex history is essential to the modern ethics of mental health and genetics, as well as helping to focus our efforts to better understand causation in mental ill-health.

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Ethics and health research priority setting: a narrative review

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This narrative review aims to describe current practice and ongoing discussions in the academic literature regarding ethics and health research priority setting. It begins with some preliminary distinctions regarding types of research priority setting. It then gives some background on current practice with respect to formal research priority setting exercises, including summaries of The Ad Hoc Committee on Health Research method, the Child Health and Nutrition Research Initiative (CHNRI) method, the Combined Approach Matrix (CAM), the Delphi method, the Essential National Health Research (ENHR) strategy for priority setting, and the James Lind Alliance (JLA) framework. The majority of the paper reports the results of a literature review covering specifically ethical issues under the thematic headings of process criteria, substantive criteria, global justice, the obligations of specific actors, and research topics. It closes with some summary thoughts about apparent gaps and directions for future investigation.

Plain language summary

More health research is needed to develop new treatment and prevention options for many diseases. But there are limited resources available to support health research. This means that difficult decisions must be made about how to allocate those resources among competing important projects. Making these decisions is called priority setting. Dr. Joseph Millum reviewed what has been published on the ethics of health research priority setting. First, he compared different methods that have already been developed to help organizations and governments set priorities. Second, he identified themes in the current discussions about ethics and priority setting. Some important themes included: how stakeholders should be included in priority setting exercises; what would be a fair allocation of research resources; global disparities in health research; and how different types of funder should think about their obligations. The results of this review will inform guidance from the World Health Organization on how to incorporate ethics into health research priority setting.

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