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:: Week in Review

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

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Governance – Security Council

<u>Amid Middle East Violence, Security Council Fails to Adopt Competing Resolutions on Israeli Force, Hamas Role in Conflict</u>

1 June 2018 SC/13362

The Security Council today failed to adopt two competing draft resolutions on the recent spate of violence in the Middle East — put forward by the delegations of the United States and Kuwait on behalf of the Arab Group, respectively — capping a month of protests and escalating tension on the ground and within the 15-member organ itself.

By the terms of the draft put forward by the delegation of Kuwait — which was rejected by a vote of 10 in favour to 1 against (United States), with 4 abstentions (Ethiopia, Netherlands, Poland, United Kingdom), owing to a veto by one permanent member — the Council would have deplored Israel's use of "excessive, disproportionate and indiscriminate force" against Palestinian civilians. Condemning the use by Israel Defense Forces of live ammunition against civilian protesters, it would have affirmed the Council's willingness to respond to situations of armed conflict where civilians were targeted or where humanitarian assistance was being deliberately obstructed, including by considering appropriate measures in accordance with the United Nations Charter.

Meanwhile, a separate draft resolution submitted by the United States was also rejected by a vote of 1 in favour (United States) to 3 against (Bolivia, Kuwait, Russian Federation) with 11 abstentions, owing to an insufficient number of affirmative votes. By the terms of that text — containing various amendments to Kuwait's draft — the Council would have described Hamas, the organization currently in power in Gaza, as a terrorist group. It would also have condemned in the strongest terms the indiscriminate firing of rockets by Palestinian militants in Gaza towards Israel on 29 May; demanded that Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad and other militant groups cease all provocative actions; and condemned the diversion of resources by those groups to construct military infrastructure intended to infiltrate Israel and launch rockets.

Those amendments departed significantly from the original Kuwaiti draft, by whose terms the Council would have demanded that Israel, the occupying Power, fully abide by its legal obligations and responsibilities under the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War. Also calling for the consideration of ways to guarantee the safety and protection of the Palestinian civilian population in the Occupied Palestinian Territory — including in the Gaza Strip — it would have requested the Secretary-General to submit a report in no more than 60 days on proposals to ensure the safety, protection and well-being of Palestinian civilians living under Israeli occupation, including recommendations for an international protection mechanism.

In contrast, the amendments proposed by the United States would have asked the Secretary-General to submit a report in no more than 60 days on the use, by such terrorist organizations as Hamas, of protesters for the purposes of incitement or to carry out violence in the past 90 days, with the goal of preventing such clashes in the future.

The representative of Kuwait, speaking after his delegation's text was vetoed, expressed regret that today the Council had sent a message that the occupying Power could enjoy full immunity from international law as well as the Council's own resolutions. The Council continued to proclaim that its responsibility was to protect civilians, but recent incidents had proven otherwise. In that regard, he called for an independent investigation into the recent events in Gaza and asked why Palestinians must continue to suffer while the world remained silent.

The representative of the United States said the Kuwaiti resolution represented a grossly one-sided view of the situation on the ground. It was Hamas that bore the primary responsibility for the atrocious living conditions in Gaza, she said, noting that it had diverted humanitarian resources for military purpose and fired at least 70 rockets into Israel this week alone. Yet the Kuwaiti resolution sought to place all the blame on Israel and perpetuate the United Nations anti-Israeli bias. Describing her delegation's alternate text, she called on Council members to place blame on Hamas and recognize the reality that the group constituted a major obstacle to the peace process.

Bolivia's representative declared: "Once again today, the Council has also become a kind of occupied territory" owing to the veto by one permanent member. Noting that the Kuwaiti draft resolution had been discussed broadly and at length — resulting in a balanced text — he said Israel's continued occupation of the Palestinian territory was the root cause of the Palestinians' current dreadful situation. The only long-term solution would be a two-State solution with a free, sovereign and independent Palestinian State, within pre-1967 borders and with East Jerusalem as its capital...

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Governance – Digital Identity

ID2020 Alliance announces new additions to Board of Directors

The ID2020 Alliance has named four new members to its Board of Directors: Dr. Seth Berkley, CEO of Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance; Kim Cameron, Architect of Identity at Microsoft; Blythe Masters, CEO of Digital Asset; and David Treat, Managing Director and Global Head of Accenture's Blockchain Practice.

ID2020 is a growing global alliance of international NGOs, private companies, and UN agencies working together to address the lack of recognized identity that affects more than one billion people around the world. Alliance partners are committed to using technology to accelerate access to digital identity for those living without a recognized form of identity. We set global technical standards and finance projects to implement digital identity solutions that are personal, private, portable, and persistent. Partners include Accenture, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, Hyperledger, iRespond, Kiva, Mercy Corps, Microsoft, and UN-ICC.

"We are thrilled to have such an inspirational group of individuals—all cutting-edge in their respective fields—join our board," said Dakota Gruener, Executive Director of the Alliance. "ID2020 has always been governed by strong leaders who are dedicated to our mission of providing a decentralized, privacy-ensuring, user-controlled digital identity. Our new board members all embody this ethos."

Berkley, Cameron, Masters, and Treat join ID2020's expanded Executive Board, composed of individuals from the banking, technology, public, and international sectors. Other Board Members include: John Edge, Co-Founder and Chairman of ID2020; Chip Dempsey, Senior Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer at the Options Clearing Corporation (OCC); Elana Broitman, Director of New America NYC; and Oliver Bussmann, Founder of Bussmann Advisory...

About the ID2020 Alliance

The ID2020 Alliance is an innovative public-private partnership committed to improving lives through digital identity. The Alliance brings together multinational institutions, nonprofits, philanthropy, business, and governments to set the technical standards for a safe, secure, and interoperable digital identity that is owned and controlled by the user. It funds high-impact pilot projects that bring digital identity to vulnerable populations, and uses the data generated to find scalable solutions and inform public policy. Partners include Accenture, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, Hyperledger, iRespond, Kiva, Mercy Corps, Microsoft, and United Nations International Computing Centre.

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Governance and Literature

The Year in Trump Novel Pitches: An Agent's Lament

The Truly Resonant Novels of the Trump Era Won't Be About Trump Literary Hub, March 30, 2018 By Erik Hane [Excerpts; Editor's text bolding]

Working as a literary agent means being privy to a full canon's worth of submitted novels that the world will never see. Naturally, a good many of these pitches will always be chasing the news. Writers want their stories to seem timely, so if there's a debate happening in real-world headlines that somehow mirrors the conflict in their book, I'll hear about it in the guery letter...

But if you want a window into the collective state of our writing lives, it's not the successes that do the revealing—it's the far larger, unseen body of attempts, false starts, and misshapen Trump novels that reveals that something inside us has been knocked off its axis...

So, what to make of an inbox full of novels promising fascist regimes, stolen elections, unhinged presidents, and the looming threat of nuclear war? Many of these manuscripts envisioned a post-apocalyptic America set in a future as near to us as 2025, and in more than one a reality-television host put the fate of the world up to a game show. In each story the country was in peril, waiting to be pulled back from the brink by the unlikely heroes uniquely capable of setting us back on stable ground.

I do not expect or want fiction to be an "escape" from real life, but the proliferation of these literal story elements cribbed from a CNN chyron still feels troubling. Clearly, writers are having the same problem everyone else is: an inability to look away, even during carefully carved-out Writing Time. These authors are not writing the political moment so much as the moment is writing them.

It is one of fascism's goals to monopolize our attention. It would like to shrink our imagination; it would like for us to peer wide-eyed at its harsh restrictions and be able to think of nothing else. And it is tempting to stare like this, because fascism

and its precursors are rife with contradictions that seem to beg to be pointed out by Reasonable People. But that's one of its tricks. Fascism welcomes our attempts to play logical "gotcha" with its inconsistencies because it knows we will lose—not because we won't find a fallacy but because the fallacy won't matter.

Herein lies the problem with the shadow canon of novels meant only as cathartic takedowns of the right, the stories that exist for the sole purpose of showing the bad guys get hauled off in chains: the mere fact of writing it was an obstacle to writing something else. You didn't write your story. You wrote fascism's, and it was happy to receive your attention for so long.

When the circumstances of the world feel so pressing and immediate, it's difficult to remember the simple truth that all writing is inherently political. Every authorial choice—conscious or not, significant or not, characters, plots, or settings—stems from the worldview of the author, as well as the shape of the world they're viewing. Even if we wanted to, writers cannot divorce themselves from the politics of their societies, and neither can any invented character from theirs. I suspect that the same people writing these current-event novels know this, or can at least sense it, because my slush pile was absolutely political before the election—the difference was that far more of these writers trusted subtext. They felt comfortable with implication, with leaving things unsaid and letting that silent space do the talking. They knew, for instance, that you do not need to write a demagogue character to say something about demagoguery.

That confidence has eroded right along with our ability to invest ourselves in things other than The Discourse. Remember when we didn't think about the news all the time? To be clear, I'm not talking here about an active engagement with the lived circumstances of the world—after all, a privileged person's dismissible news story is a vulnerable person's imminent danger. I mean specifically the news, as in media: the broadcasts and feeds, the motionless watching, the evisceration of whichever journalists are responsible for takes we hate, this hour...

I believe that the manuscript submissions ripped from the headlines will eventually subside; I'd be a bad agent if I didn't have that faith. And we are certainly going to need politically infused stories, probably many of them, to survive these coming years. But I also believe that when they arrive, the truly resonant Trump Novels won't actually be about Trump—they'll be about characters we haven't met yet who are just trying to make their way through a fraught world, like we all are. They'll show us lives other than our own and demand empathy from us as readers, and maybe after enough practice we'll be better able to give it.

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Development – SDG Policy Coherence

<u>Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development 2018 – Towards Sustainable and Resilient Societies</u>

OECD May 2018 :: 234 pages Read Download print edition

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Overview

The 2030 Agenda is a universal, collective responsibility that covers all levels: global, national and territorial. To address global policy challenges in a complex and interconnected world, policy coherence will be key. A more coherent multilateral system will be essential to reconcile and deliver the economic, social and environmental transformations needed to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)...

The report suggests eight building blocks for enhancing policy coherence for sustainable development (SDG Target 17.14), and identifies emerging good institutional practices drawing on recent OECD work, country surveys and voluntary national reviews. It includes 19 country profiles and sets out options for tracking progress on policy coherence for sustainable development at the national level....

Executive summary

Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target 17.14 calls on all countries to enhance policy coherence for sustainable development (PCSD) as a key means of implementation. Governments and stakeholders recognise the relevance of PCSD for identifying, understanding and managing interactions among highly interconnected SDGs, and for addressing the potential transboundary and intergenerational policy effects of domestic and international action. They are also increasingly recognising the need to break out of institutional and policy silos to realise the benefits of synergistic actions and to effectively address unavoidable trade-offs across the SDGs. Most importantly, they recognise the need for coherent approaches to ensure that "no one is left behind", the underlying principle of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The 2018 edition of Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development shows how integrated and coherent policies, supported by strong institutional mechanisms, can contribute to the "Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies" – the theme of the 2018 United Nations High-Level Political Forum (HLPF). It applies the institutional, analytical and monitoring elements of the PCSD Framework to identify challenges and opportunities facing governments as they move to implement the SDGs, both at the national level and collectively at the global level...

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Featured Journal Content

Trends in Ecology & Evolution (TREE)

Volume 30, Issue 3, p140–145, March 2015 *Opinion*

Defining biocultural approaches to conservation

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Hiahliahts

- :: Biocultural conservation addresses loss of biological and cultural diversity.
- :: These approaches sustain dynamic and interdependent social-ecological systems.
- : Biocultural conservation can lead to just, legal, and effective outcomes.
- :: We outline eight principles of successful biocultural conservation initiatives.

We contend that biocultural approaches to conservation can achieve effective and just conservation outcomes while addressing erosion of both cultural and biological diversity. Here, we propose a set of guidelines for the adoption of biocultural approaches to conservation. First, we draw lessons from work on biocultural diversity and heritage, social—ecological systems theory, integrated conservation and development, co-management, and community-based

conservation to define biocultural approaches to conservation. Second, we describe eight principles that characterize such approaches. Third, we discuss reasons for adopting biocultural approaches and challenges. If used well, biocultural approaches to conservation can be a powerful tool for reducing the global loss of both biological and cultural diversity.

Principles of biocultural approaches to conservation

- 1 Acknowledge that conservation can have multiple objectives and stakeholders
- 2 Recognize the importance of intergenerational planning and institutions for long-term adaptive governance
- 3 Recognize that culture is dynamic, and this dynamism shapes resource use and conservation
- 4 Tailor interventions to the social–ecological context
- 5 Devise and draw upon novel, diverse, and nested institutional frameworks
- 6 Prioritize the importance of partnership and relation building for conservation outcomes
- 7 Incorporate the distinct rights and responsibilities of all parties
- 8 Respect and incorporate different worldviews

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Featured Journal Content – Heritage Stewardship

PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

http://www.pnas.org/content/early/

[Accessed 2 Jun 2018]

Mapping an ancient city with a century of remotely sensed data

David Stott, Søren Munch Kristiansen, Achim Lichtenberger, and Rubina Raja PNAS May 29, 2018. 201721509; published ahead of print May 29, 2018.

https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1721509115

Significance

Understanding how people in the past adapted to environmental and economic challenges can help us anticipate and meet these challenges in the present. However, these very processes threaten the physical remains embodying this information worldwide: Urban expansion and resource exploitation mean that the quantity and quality of archaeological information are diminishing daily. In this work, we demonstrate how multitemporal aerial photography and modern airborne laser scanning are invaluable tools for mapping the remaining archaeological features extant in the present and for adding context to them from what has been lost. This knowledge enables cultural heritage administrators and archaeologists to actively monitor, understand, and manage the existing remains to make sure important information is not lost to posterity.

Abstract

The rapidly growing global population places cultural heritage at great risk, and the encroachment of modern settlement on archaeological sites means that valuable information about how past societies worked and interacted with the environment is lost. To manage and mitigate these risks, we require knowledge about what has been lost and what remains, so we can actively decide what should be investigated and what should be preserved for the future. Remote sensing provides archaeologists with some of the tools we need to do this. In this paper we explore the application of multitemporal, multisensor data to map features and chart the impacts of urban encroachment on the ancient city of Jerash (in modern Jordan) by combining archives of aerial photography dating back to 1917 with state-of-the-art airborne laser scanning. The combined results revealed details of the water distribution system and the ancient city plan. This demonstrates that by combining historical images with modern aerial and

ground-based data we can successfully detect and contextualize these features and thus achieve a better understanding of life in a city in the past. These methods are essential, given that much of the ancient city has been lost to modern development and the historical imagery is often our only source of information.

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Health – Security/Reporting/Transparency

WADEM Position Statement: Accurate Reporting of Public Health Information

Board of Directors, WADEM - World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine Prehospital & Disaster Medicine

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The mission of the World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine (WADEM; Madison, Wisconsin USA) is the global improvement of prehospital and emergency health care, public health, and disaster health and preparedness. Accurate and transparent release of public health information is necessary to inform response and recovery activities associated with disasters.

The resolution to adopt the international health regulations in 2005 recognized the World Health Organization's (Geneva, Switzerland) leadership in monitoring and responding to public health emergencies. 1

Preservation of global health security is reliant upon timely reporting of emergencies and health threats to enable appropriate preparedness and response. 2

Withholding, suppression, delayed, or deliberate inaccurate reporting of public health information presents a risk to of potential health threats to populations. The restriction of epidemiological health information hampers efforts to respond to events. 3

The transparent and timely release of public health information is logical, ethical, and required to maintain and improve global health.

As such, WADEM endorses that:

- 1. Global health security is reliant upon timely reporting of emergencies and threats to enable appropriate preparedness and response.
- 2. Withholding, suppression, delayed, or deliberate inaccurate reporting of public health information presents a risk of potential health threats to populations.
- 3. That Customary International Humanitarian law recognizes the prohibition of attacks on, destruction of, or render useless any public health infrastructure indispensable to the survival of the civilian population; that the Geneva Convention (Article 55 & 56) requires that any occupying power must restore the public health infrastructure and protections afforded to the civilian population to mitigate and prevent mortality and morbidity after any conflict or war; that this applies equally to post-sudden-onset natural disasters or public health emergencies of international concern necessary to protect the global health.

4. The accurate, transparent, and timely release of official public health information is necessary to identify risks, provide health alerts, and promote and protect global health. [References available at title link]

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Health – EBOLA/EVD

WHO: <u>Ebola vaccine provides protection and hope for high-risk communities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo</u>

30 May 2018

..."Ring vaccination is a new and vital tool in the control of Ebola," said Dr Michael Ryan, WHO Assistant Director-General, Emergency Preparedness and Response. "I just spent the day out with the vaccination teams in the community, and for the first time in my experience, I saw hope in the face of Ebola and not terror. This is a major milestone for global public health."

The ring vaccination is led by the National Institute of Biomedical Research and the Ministry of Health of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which is working with a wide range of partners, including WHO, Médecins sans Frontières and UNICEF. Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, contributed funds towards the operational costs, and through an agreement with Merck, the vaccine developer, helped ensure that 300 000 investigational doses of the vaccine are available in case of an outbreak. The vaccination is being provided to the contacts of confirmed cases, and the contacts of contacts, as well as healthcare workers, front line responders and other people with potential exposure to Ebola...

The Africa CDC Deploys Teams to the Province of Equator in the DRC to Support the Response to the Ebola Outbreak

June 01, 2018

Addis Ababa, 01 June 2018- After recruiting and training 18 Congolese volunteers, Arica CDC has just deployed them to Equator province to support the response to Ebola Virus Disease in DR Congo.

The responders, who are former volunteers of the African Union Support to the Ebola Outbreak in West Africa (ASEOWA) in the 2014-16 outbreak, also participated in the post-Ebola enhanced surveillance in the Democratic Republic of Congo in July 2017 in the province of Bas-Uélé.

Distributed in 4 subgroups, Africa CDC volunteers will be based in Mbandaka (Headquarters of the province of Equator), Bikoro, Itipo (Epicenter of the ongoing epidemic) and Iboko. This multi-disciplinary team is composed of epidemiologists, physicians, communication experts, infection prevention and control experts, and a data manager. They will support the efforts of the Congolese government in epidemiological surveillance, case management, laboratory diagnostic, water, hygiene and sanitation as well as communication and social mobilization.

In the meantime, the Africa CDC today held a task force meeting to further plan for the African Union support to the Ebola outbreak in the DRC. The meeting, chaired by the Africa CDC director Dr John Nkengasong received a situation report on the current status and deliberated on the concept of operations.

DRC: MSF begins Ebola vaccination trial in Bikoro to help curb outbreak Press release

NEW YORK/KINSHASA, MAY 29, 2018—The international medical humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) started vaccinating <u>Ebola</u> frontline workers yesterday in Bikoro, Equateur Province, <u>Democratic Republic of Congo</u> (DRC). The vaccination, which is being conducted with Epicentre—MSF's research arm—will also be offered

to contacts of patients. The start of the Bikoro trial comes about a week after health care workers in Mbandaka began receiving the vaccine.

The vaccination trial—which is only one element of the larger strategy to control the spread of Ebola—will be administered using a "ring" approach. This involves identifying newly diagnosed and laboratory-confirmed Ebola patients, locating the people they have been in contact with—often family members, neighbors, colleagues, and friends—and vaccinating them. This type of approach aims to help contain and prevent the spread of infection.

This investigational vaccine (rVSVDG-ZEBOV-GP) has not yet been licensed and is being implemented through a study protocol, which has been accepted by national authorities and the Ethical Review Board in Kinshasa, as well as MSF's Ethical Review Board.

Participation in this vaccine trial is voluntary and free, participants receive information on the vaccine before consenting, and those who choose to be vaccinated are carefully monitored over a period of time. "Given that it has not yet been licensed, we will be closely monitoring the vaccination," said Micaela Serafini, MSF's medical director in Geneva...

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) Polio this week as of 29 May 2018 [GPEI]

- :: At last week's World Health Assembly (WHA), ministers of health and delegates reviewed progress being achieved through national emergency action plans in remaining endemic countries. Delegates noted that wild poliovirus transmission is now at the lowest ever levels in history.
- :: To prepare for a polio-free world, Member States adopted a landmark <u>resolution on</u> <u>poliovirus containment</u>, and endorsed the <u>5-year strategic action plan on polio</u> <u>transition</u>, which outlines how essential polio functions such as surveillance, laboratory networks and core infrastructure can support the implementation of the <u>Post-Certification</u> <u>Strategy (PCS)</u> to sustain a polio-free world, and can be integrated into the immunization or health emergencies' programme, or mainstreamed into national health systems.
- :: Member States expressed overwhelming commitment to fully implement and finance all strategies to secure a lasting polio-free world in the very near term. Rotary International, speaking on behalf of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), offered an impassioned plea to the global community to eradicate a human disease for only the second time in history, and ensure that no child will ever again be paralysed by any form of poliovirus anywhere.

Summary of newly-reported viruses this week:

Pakistan: Four new WPV1-positive environmental samples reported.

Afghanistan: One new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) case and two new WPV1-positive environmental samples reported.

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WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 2 Jun 2018]

<u>Iraq</u> - No new announcements identified <u>Nigeria</u> - No new announcements identified <u>South Sudan</u> - Webpage not responding at inquiry <u>The Syrian Arab Republic</u> - No new announcements identified

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 2 Jun 2018]

[Several emergency pages were not available at inquiry]

Myanmar

:: <u>Preventive, contingency measures reinforced as monsoon sets in Cox's Bazar</u> SEAR/PR/1690

Cox's Bazar, 1 June 2018: With rains starting to intermittently flood the Rohingya refugee camps, the World Health Organization and other health sector partners are further strengthening preventive and contingency measures to minimize the health impact of monsoons for the nearly 1.3 million vulnerable populations in Cox's Bazar.

WHO and health sector partners are working with Bangladesh government to maintain life-saving primary and secondary health services for Rohingya refugees and their host communities in the ongoing rainy season. Heavy rains, floods and cyclone are expected to further deteriorate the already suboptimal water and sanitation conditions in the overcrowded refugee camps, increasing the risk of infectious disease such as acute watery diarrhea, cholera, hepatitis, dengue fever and malaria, among others," Dr Bardan Jung Rana, WHO Representative to Bangladesh, said.

As a preventive measure, a massive cholera vaccination campaign was conducted in May targeting one million people – the refugees, their host communities and people residing in close vicinity to the camps. This was the second massive cholera vaccination campaign for the Rohingyas, with 900,000 doses administered in November-December last year.

As part of the contingency measures, 22 diarrhea treatment centers (DTC) with a total bed capacity of 597, and hundreds of oral rehydration points (ORPs), have been set up across the various camps.

Sixteen mobile medical teams (MMTs) have been constituted, trained and kept ready for immediate deployment in the event of outbreak of infectious diseases, floods and landslide. Each MMT constitutes of a doctor, paramedic/nurse, midwife, dispenser, and protection officer, and has been trained to deliver immediate life-saving first line of services, and facilitate referrals.

WHO has prepositioned 75 metric tons of cholera treatment supplies. WHO's stockpile for monsoons also includes 20 basic Inter-Agency Emergency Health Kits (IEHKs) with drugs, medical devices and equipment to meet the health needs of 200 000 people for three months. All medical equipment and supplies have been stocked-up at locations identified as secure during the mapping of health facilities. The supplies are for use by health sector partners and MMTs...

Cameroon - No new announcements identified
Central African Republic - No new announcements identified.
Democratic Republic of the Congo - No new announcements identified
Ethiopia - No new announcements identified.
Libya - No new announcements identified.
Niger - No new announcements identified.
Ukraine - No new announcements identified.

UN OCHA - L3 Emergencies

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

Yemen

:: Yemen Humanitarian Update Covering 22 – 28 May 2018 | Issue 17 [EN/AR]

Syrian Arab Republic - No new announcements identified.

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UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies

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

Ethiopia - No new announcements identified.

Somalia - No new announcements identified.

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Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.un.org/en/ 1 June 2018

SG/SM/19063

Secretary-General Condemns Ongoing Violence in Nicaragua

1 June 2018 SC/13362

<u>Amid Middle East Violence, Security Council Fails to Adopt Competing Resolutions on Israeli Force, Hamas Role in Conflict</u>

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30 May 2018 SC/13360

<u>Special Coordinator Urges Security Council to Intensify Pressure on</u> **Israelis, Palestinians amid Most Serious Escalation of Violence Since 2014**

Events unfolding in and around Gaza marked the most serious escalation of violence since the 2014 conflict between Hamas and Israel, the Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process told the Security Council today, as he called for intensified pressure on Israelis and Palestinians to advance a just and sustainable peace.

29 May 2018 SC/13356

<u>Lack of Humanitarian Access Affecting 2 Million People in Syria, Under-Secretary-General Tells Security Council</u>

The 2 million people in northern rural Homs, Douma and southern Damascus were among the most desperate in Syria, the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs told the Security Council today, adding that only six inter-agency aid convoys had reached those areas this year.

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true
Selected Press Releases — "TOP NEWS"

Press briefing notes on Nicaragua and Ukraine

Zeid urges Mexico to act to end wave of disappearances in Nuevo Laredo

Judicial independence in Philippines is under threat, says UN human rights expert

<u>UN experts decry Israel plan to demolish Bedouin homes near Jerusalem</u>

World Environment Day - 5 June 2018

Zeid applauds first hearing of human rights case by specialized chamber in Tunisia

<u>UN expert encourages Belgium's balanced approach but urges action on victims of terrorism and prisons</u>

Afghanistan: No justice for women victims of violence – UN report

Human Rights Council [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.ohchr.org/en/hrbodies/hrc/pages/hrcindex.aspx No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Latest News

Committee on the Rights of the Child closes seventy-eighth session in Geneva

1 June 2018

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children

[to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx No new digest content identified.

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/virtual-library/press-release-archive/ No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Latest news

Preliminary observations by the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, Mr. Dainius Pūras on his Country Visit to Kyrgyzstan, 22 to 31 May 2018

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Kyrgyzstan: UN expert calls for long-term vision to advance health rights 31 May 2018

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

No new digest content identified

UN OCHA [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.unocha.org/media-centre/press-releases

Selected Press Releases

01 June 2018

<u>UN officials call on Israel to abandon plans to demolish and transfer Khan al Ahmar</u> Abu al Helu community

Jerusalem, 1 June 2018 - Today, the Humanitarian Coordinator, Mr. Jamie McGoldrick, and the UNRWA Director of Operations in the West Bank, Mr. Scott Anderson, join others in the international community in calling on the Government of Israel to cease its plans to carry out the mass demolition and transfer of the Palestinian Bedouin community of Khan al Ahmar — Abu al Helu, located on the outskirts of East Jerusalem in the occupied West Bank. This follows the Israeli High Court of Justice's 24 May rejection of the community's petition to prevent the demolitions, marking an end to years-long legal efforts and leaving virtually no legal options to protect the community.

31 May 2018

Nine humanitarian organizations looted in the centre of Central African Republic

The Central African Republic is and remains one of the most dangerous countries in the world for humanitarian operations. Acts of violence and looting of humanitarian organizations as well aggressions against humanitarian workers have systematically taken place during the latest waves of violence affecting parts of the country. During May 2018, nine premises of humanitarian organizations have been looted, as well as the National Refugee Commission (CNR) in Bambari town alone. Since January 2018, four humanitarian staff have lost their lives while performing their mission.

29 May 2018

Central African Republic is still going through a large scale humanitarian crisis

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://centre.humdata.org/

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.unicef.org/media/ Selected Press Releases/Reports No new digest content identified.

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html *Briefing Notes*

UNHCR helps survivors after traffickers kill 12 in Libya 1 Jun 2018

Press releases and news comments

<u>UNHCR and UNDP agree on text of MoU with Myanmar to support the creation of conditions for the return of Rohingya refugees</u> 31 May 2018

UNHCR urges Hungary to withdraw draft law impacting refugees 29 May 2018

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Selected Announcements

<u>How Do Countries Govern Migration? Country Profiles Published on Migration Data</u> Portal

2018-06-01 16:45

Geneva – Migration has become a major political issue over the past few years at the local, national and international levels, yet there has been little attention paid so far to how states currently govern migration.

Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 32,080 in 2018; Deaths Reach 660 2018-06-01 16:34

Geneva – IOM, the UN Migration Agency, reports that 32,080 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea through the first 150 days of 2018, with about 42 per cent arriving in Italy and 34 per cent in Greece, with the remainder (24%) arriving in Spain.

<u>UN Migration Agency Facilitates Exchange of Best Practices for Migrant Information Hubs</u>

2018-05-29 15:07

Mexico City – To exchange experiences and search for solutions for regional migrant populations' many needs, representatives from the 21 information hubs for migrants, which operate in eight countries in Central America are today (29/05) meeting in Mexico City, with the support..

UNAIDS [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.unaids.org/en

29 May 2018

A pledge to respond to falsified and substandard health products in francophone Africa

Twenty-five countries and 10 international organizations have pledged to respond to falsified and substandard medicines in French-speaking Africa.

On the sidelines of the 71st session of the World Health Assembly on 22 May, the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) and UNAIDS, in collaboration with the World Health Organization and the Fondation Chirac, hosted a conference entitled Access to Quality Medicines and Other Medical Products in Francophone Africa, which brought together nearly 400 participants, including a number of health ministers. They adopted a declaration with commitments to advance access for all, especially the poorest, to assured-quality health products...

The signed declaration aims to foster mechanisms to assure the quality of all health products that reach the African market. Therefore, it calls for the strengthening of health regulatory capacities in the continent, paving the road for the local production of medicines.

OIF's Secretary-General, Michaëlle Jean, would like the document to be the basis of an action plan. "We intend to raise this with all heads of state and government of the francophone area at the 17th Francophonie Summit in October, mobilizing them around concrete solutions and sustainable financing at the national, regional and international levels," she said.

Declaration text: http://media.ip-watch.org/weblog/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Draft-Declaration-of-international-conference-on-access-to-medicines23052018 0000.pdf?082995

28 May 2018

HIV transmission filmed live by French scientists

A team of French researchers has succeeded in filming HIV infecting a healthy cell. UNAIDS spoke to Morgane Bomsel, Research Team Director at the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), about the feat.

WHO & Regional Offices [to 2 Jun 2018]

WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

Selected Featured News

- :: <u>Ebola vaccine provides protection and hope for high-risk communities in the Democratic</u> Republic of the Congo 30 May 2018
- :: <u>Borno state boosts immunity of over 200 000 children against measles disease in newly accessible areas</u> 28 May 2018
- :: WHO enhances real-time surveillance in resource limited and hard to reach areas of South Sudan using a mobile-based reporting system 28 May 2018
- :: WHO deploys personnel to rapidly control cholera outbreak in Adamawa state 28 May 2018

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

- :: New report shows tobacco use is falling, but more needed to protect people from heart diseases and other noncommunicable diseases (05/31/2018)
- :: <u>Get vaccinated against measles and rubella before travelling to the World Cup, advises PAHO/WHO</u> (05/29/2018)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

- No new announcements identified.

WHO European Region EURO

- No new announcements identified.

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

- :: <u>Turkey donates US\$ 1.2 million to WHO for response to health emergency in Gaza Strip</u> 27 May 2018
- :: <u>Big plan, small details how microplans in Afghanistan ensure we can end polio</u> 27 May 2018

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: Ministry of Health in Mongolia, WHO and partners take steps to protect women and girls against cervical cancer May 2018

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2018/30/05/18

<u>International partnership to address human-animal-environment health risks gets a</u> <u>boost</u>

Paris, 30 May 2018 - The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) today agreed to step up joint action to combat health threats associated with interactions between humans, animals and the environment.

In a Memorandum of Understanding signed today, FAO, OIE and WHO agreed to strengthen their long-standing partnership, with a strong focus on tackling antimicrobial resistance (AMR)... Joint activities under the new agreement will include:

- :: Supporting the Interagency Coordination Group on AMR established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2016, as well as the continuing implementation of the <u>Global Action Plan</u> on AMR
- :: Engaging with countries to reinforce national and regional human health, animal health and food safety services
- :: Improving inter-agency collaboration in foresight analysis, risk assessment, preparedness building and joint responses to emerging, remerging and neglected infectious diseases at the animal-human-ecosystems interface
- :: Addressing food safety challenges requiring a multi-sector approach in the context of reinforcing food security.
- :: Promoting coordinated research and development to achieve a common understanding of the highest priority zoonotic diseases and the research and development needed to prevent, detect, and control them
- :: Developing a Voluntary Code of Conduct to reinforce implementation of international standards on responsible and prudent use of antimicrobials.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.unfpa.org/press/press-release
No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/presscenter.html
Selected Press Releases/Announcements

<u>UNHCR and UNDP agree on text of MoU with Myanmar to support the creation of conditions for the return of Rohingya refugees</u>

UNHCR and UNDP agreed today in Nay Pyi Taw with the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar on the text for the tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). Posted on May 31, 2018

<u>Leaders of Developing Nations Rank UNDP Among Most Influential Aid Organizations</u>

UNDP remains one of the most highly rated development aid organisations in the world, according to a new survey of leaders in the world's developing nations. Posted on May 31, 2018

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/

May 29 - Synthesis of voluntary submissions by functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council and other intergovernmental bodies

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://unsdsn.org/news/

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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

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

Launch of Open SDG Data Hub

As part of the Federated Information Systems for the SDGs initiatives presented at the 49th Session of the UN Statistical Commission, the Statistics Division has launched an Open SDG Data Hub to promote the exploration, analysis, and use of authoritative SDG data sources for evidence-based decision-making and reviews. It enables the presentation and dissemination of SDG data and statistics. It also makes the global SDG Indicators database readily available as geospatial data webservices, suitable for the production of maps and other data visualizations and analyses, and easy to download in multiple formats.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.unenvironment.org/

01 Jun 2018 Press release

Exploring alternative materials to reduce plastic pollution

The report by UN Environment assesses the potential of replacing certain conventional plastics applications with alternative materials. Packaging and other single-use items form a large proportion of the plastic litter...

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.unisdr.org/archive

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 2 Jun 2018] https://www.un.org/development/desa/en/news.html *No new digest content identified.*

UNESCO [to 2 Jun 2018] http://en.unesco.org/news 30 May 2018

<u>UNESCO</u> highlights the need to set human rights and ethical standards for Artificial Intelligence at the Rightscon 2018

"Without human rights and ethics, uncontrolled Artificial Intelligence technology might do more harm than good". Reflecting on current debates on developing and applying big data and AI technologies, UNESCO held an interactive session during RightsCon 2018. Participants stressed the urgent need to set human rights and ethical standards for these evolving technologies.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/press/allpress.html?ref=fp 01/06/2018 —

Statement attributable to the UNODC spokesperson on the situation in Bangladesh

Vienna, 1 June 2018 - In response to media and civil society enquiries regarding reports from Bangladesh on anti-drug operations that have allegedly resulted in dozens of deaths, the following statement was issued by the spokesperson of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime:

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) is closely following developments in the situation.

UNODC urges all Member States to adhere to their commitments to promote balanced, human rights-based approaches to drug control, in line with the three international drug control conventions and the outcome document of the United Nations General Assembly special session on the world drug problem.

We stand ready to engage with all countries to help bring criminals to justice with the appropriate legal safeguards, in line with international standards and norms, and to promote evidence-based prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and reintegration.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 2 Jun 2018] http://unhabitat.org/media-centre/news/
No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/1-06-2018

Cooperatives can bolster inclusive growth in Africa

"Inclusiveness is key to promote sustainable development in the African continent," FAO's Director-General said at the Third International foodFirst Conference, which this year focuses on how to team up with African "agripreneurs". He also signed an MoU with Rabobank.

FAO working to advance global biodiversity agenda

FAO's new Biodiversity Mainstreaming Platform can help shift agricultural production onto a more sustainable track -- one that promotes healthy and thriving ecosystems while also producing ample and nutritious food for a growing global population. 31-05-2018

Sweden supports drought-stricken farmers and herders in the Sahel

The Swedish International Development Cooperation (SIDA) will support drought-stricken farmers and herders in the Sahel's Burkina Faso and Mali, through a \$9.9 million contribution to FAO.

31-05-2018

FAO chief calls for halting the use of antimicrobial medicines to promote growth in farm animals

"FAO advocates that antibiotics and other antimicrobials should be only used to cure diseases and alleviate unnecessary suffering. Only under strict circumstances they should be used to prevent an imminent threat of infection," he said. 30-05-2018

<u>International partnership to address human-animal-environment health risks gets a</u> boost

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) have agreed to step up joint action to combat health threats associated with interactions between humans, animals and the environment.

30-05-2018

Making agriculture work for- not against- biodiversity

FAO Director-General José Graziano da Silva has called for transformative changes in how we produce our food, grounded in sustainable agricultural systems capable of producing healthy and nutritious food while simultaneously safeguarding the planet's biodiversity. 29-05-2018

Forward-looking dialogue is key to governing Mediterranean migrations

Countries "should aim towards a forward-looking dialogue" geared to food security and more inclusive rural development to better govern migration dynamics, FAO Deputy Director-General Maria Helena Semedo said at the Forum on Agriculture, Rural Development and Migrations in the Mediterranean Region.

29-05-2018

Global tea consumption and production driven by robust demand in China and India

Global tea consumption and production are projected to keep rising over the next decade, driven by robust demand in developing and emerging countries. This will create new rural income opportunities and improve food security in tea-producing countries, according to a new report issued today.

28-05-2018

ILO International Labour Organization [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

ILO: Unemployment in the Occupied Palestinian Territory world's highest 30 May 2018

The ILO's annual report on the situation of workers of the occupied Arab territories calls for dialogue and a joint search for solutions to bring about decent work.

29 May 2018

News from the 107th International Labour Conference

ILO head urges renewed spirit of tripartism to tackle world of work challenges

28 May 2018

International Labour Conference to address a range of issues, including workplace violence, women at work, social dialogue, application of standards and development cooperation.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.icao.int/
1/6/18

European and North Atlantic Aviation Security Roadmap Endorsed

28/5/18

Preventing human trafficking by empowering aircraft cabin crew

Montréal and Geneva, 28 May 2018 – Aircraft cabin crew will now have better tools to help them prevent human trafficking on commercial flights after the launch today of new ICAO-OHCHR Guidelines for Training Cabin Crew on Identifying and Responding to Trafficking in Persons.

The new guidelines were unveiled this morning at an ICAO-OHCHR Forum taking place in Geneva, and are seen as timely and essential given that 1-in-200 people worldwide are still being forced into work and living conditions resulting from human trafficking, a practice considered akin to modern slavery (statistical source: ILO)...

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] https://public.wmo.int/en/media/press-release 31 May 2018

WMO and WHO tackle health impacts of pollution, extreme weather, climate change

GENEVA - In the face of growing health impacts from extreme weather, climate change and air pollution, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and World Health Organization (WHO) have agreed to step up joint action to tackle environmental health risks that cause an estimated 12.6 million premature deaths every year.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.unido.org/news-centre/news.html 30 May 2018

Industry 4.0 for smart sustainable cities in Latin America

BUENOS AIRES – Innovative policies and regulatory frameworks are key to harnessing the potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Internet of Things (IoT) to revolutionize urban infrastructures and improve the quality of life of people in Latin America.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.iso.org/news_archive/x/ No new digest content identified.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://media.unwto.org/news

1 June 2018

<u>UNWTO World Forum on Gastronomy Tourism – Seizing the Power of Technology</u>

Madrid, Spain, 1 June 2018 - Around 600 participants from 52 countries gathered at the 4th UNWTO World Forum on Gastronomy Tourism (Bangkok, Thailand, 30 May to 1 June 2018). Organized by the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and the Government of Thailand, in collaboration with the Basque Culinary Center, participants addressed topics ranging from the role of technology in achieving sustainable development, to linking the whole tourism value chain to gastronomy.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/ *No new digest content identified.*

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.cbd.int/press-releases/
No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases

U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green's Remarks at the USAID Iftar Dinner

June 1, 2018

Ramadan is a time when the Muslim world stops to focus on Islamic teachings regarding not just prayer, but also compassion, community, and generosity toward the poor. It is a fitting occasion for us at USAID to do the same.

Fact Sheet: USAID Response to the Ebola Outbreak

June 1, 2018

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has contributed \$8 million dollars to support the joint Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and World Health Organization (WHO) Strategic Response Plan to the outbreak (currently budgeted at \$56.7 million). In addition to this funding, USAID has provided personal protective equipment, laboratory supplies, the mobilization of two existing mobile labs, and a robust presence on the ground.

<u>Statement by Spokesperson Clayton M. McCleskey on the Elimination of Trachoma in Ghana and Nepal</u>

May 30, 2018

This week, the World Health Organization (WHO) recognized the Republic of Ghana and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal for eliminating trachoma as a public health problem. USAID congratulates the Governments of Ghana and Nepal on this tremendous success.

DFID [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

UK aid to provide vital medicine and surgical equipment to struggling hospitals in Gaza

29 May 2018 DFID and FCO Press release

ECHO [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Selected Press Releases

Rohingya civilians and host communities in Bangladesh receive €40 million in European humanitarian aid

31/05/2018

The European Commission has committed €40 million in humanitarian aid to provide life-saving support to vulnerable Rohingya civilians and host communities in Bangladesh and across Myanmar's Rakhine State. This comes on top of the €51 million the...

The European Union supports populations near the Ituango dam in Colombia 30/05/2018

The European Commission allocated €160 000 to strengthen the response capacities of the Colombian Red Cross in the region of the Ituango dam in Bajo Cauca, Colombia after flooding forced many to evacuate.

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African Union [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.au.int/

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June 01, 2018

The Africa CDC Deploys Teams to the Province of Equator in the DRC to Support the Response to the Ebola Outbreak

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.asean.org/news

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ASEAN agrees on common requirements of biological products

JAKARTA, 24 May 2018 – The ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Standards and Quality Pharmaceutical Products Working Group (PPWG) agreed on two sets of new ASEAN Common Technical Requirements of biological products during a workshop held in Jakarta on 22–24 May. Those two sets of requirements are ASEAN Common Technical Requirements (ACTR) on quality and [...]

European Commission [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://europa.eu/rapid/search-result.htm?query=18&locale=en&page=1 31/05/2018

Rohingya crisis: €40 million in humanitarian aid for Bangladesh and Myanmar

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 31 May 2018 The European Commission has released €40 million in humanitarian aid to provide life-saving support to vulnerable Rohingya civilians and host communities in Bangladesh and across Myanmar's Rakhine State. This comes on top of the €51 million the Commission mobilised in 2017.

The European Union mobilises additional €15 million for peace building support in Colombia

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 31 May 2018 The European Union is mobilising additional funds to support peace building in Colombia and the efforts to reintegrate former combatants of the Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) into the Colombian society.

<u>Protecting and supporting migrants and refugees: new actions worth €467 million</u> under the EU Trust Fund for Africa

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 29 May 2018 The European Union adopts today new programmes and projects worth a total of €467 million under the Emergency Trust Fund for Africa. The EU continues to deliver on its commitments to assist vulnerable migrants and refugees and address root causes of...

OECD [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.oecd.org/

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Canada leading the way on women's inclusion and empowerment, says OECD

Canada has made significant progress on gender equality in the last few years, developing institutions, policies, tools and accountability structures that position it as a leader in an area increasingly seen as a cornerstone of inclusive growth, according to a new OECD Review.

31-May-2018

<u>Countries commit to step up efforts to drive more responsible business conduct</u> through new OECD instrument

Ministers from OECD and developing economies have committed to step up their efforts to promote responsible business conduct by companies in order to drive more inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

28-May-2018

New OECD Framework seeks to drive "urgent, concerted effort" for inclusive growth

"Urgent and concerted effort" is needed from governments to drive more inclusive, sustainable economic growth that benefits everyone in society, according to a new OECD report.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

June 1, 2018

FACT SHEET: Basic information on the 48th OAS General Assembly in Washington, DC

Antigua and Barbuda Ratifies the Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination and Related Forms of Intolerance

<u>Timetable of the Project "Strengthening Democratic Institutions in Nicaragua</u>
<u>through the Implementation of the Recommendations of the EAM/OAS Nicaragua</u>
2017"

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.oic-oci.org/home/?lan=en No new digest content identified.

Group of 77 [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.g77.org/

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Mr. Mohamed Fouad, Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Egypt to the United Nations, on draft resolution A/C.5/72/L.31 entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon", at the second resumed part of the seventy-second session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly (New York, 31 May 2018)

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UNCTAD [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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EDAR-Population movements inside Africa play growing development role, United Nations report reveals

African migration could boost growth and positively transform the structure of the continent's economy according to UNCTAD's 2018 <u>Economic Development in Africa Report: Migration for Structural Transformation</u>, launched today.

"Population movements across borders often offer individuals a chance for a better life with the social and economic benefits extending to both source and destination countries, as well as future generations," UNCTAD Secretary-General Mukhisa Kituyi said. "Our analysis shows this to be true for millions of African migrants and their families."

"Yet much of the public discourse, particularly as it relates to international African migration, is rife with misconceptions that have become part of a divisive, misleading and harmful narrative."

Historically and in-line with established trends, most African migrants move within the continent: in 2017 19 million international migrants moved within Africa and 17 million Africans left the continent – but the gap is narrowing. Africa is also a migration destination for 5.5 million people who came from outside the continent...

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.wcoomd.org/

01 June 2018

<u>East African Customs administrations work together for more trade facilitation and</u> enhanced border control

31 May 2018

WCO discusses ways to assist Iraq in countering terrorism and preventing illicit trafficking of cultural objects

The WCO Secretary General, Dr. Kunio Mikuriya, delivered a keynote speech at the TAIEX-PI Workshop on Protecting Iraqi Cultural Heritage and Fighting Terrorism, organized in cooperation with the Federal Government of Iraq and the Office of the EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator on 30 and 31 May 2018 in Brussels, Belgium.

The Workshop brought together over 100 experts in law enforcement, from Customs, Police, judiciary authorities, international organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGOs),

as well as art market professionals and archaeologists to explore ways to prevent illicit trafficking and destruction of Iraqi cultural heritage...

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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Azevêdo challenges ministers to raise voices in support of trading system

Speaking at an informal ministerial meeting on 31 May in the margins of the OECD meetings in Paris, Director-General Roberto Azevêdo argued that the WTO is essential in resolving growing trade tensions, as it has done on previous occasions, but that this requires members' active support for the system itself.

Azevêdo: "The stability of the trading system is fundamental to our economic wellbeing"

31 May 2018

Speaking at an OECD Ministerial Council meeting on 31 May, Director-General Roberto Azevêdo said the multilateral trading system provides a stable and predictable business environment that helps to drive economic growth. He underlined the need to defend this stability but also to strengthen and safeguard the system so that it remains responsive and relevant to WTO members and helps governments and businesses meet the demands of a rapidly evolving global economy.

WTO issues 2018 Annual Report

31 May 2018

The WTO's Annual Report, published today (31 May), provides a comprehensive account of the organization's activities in 2017 and early 2018. The Report opens with a message from Director-General Roberto Azevêdo and a brief overview of the year. This is followed by more indepth accounts of the WTO's various areas of activity over the past 12 months. The Report also includes "spotlights" highlighting major WTO events and activities, including the 11th WTO Ministerial Conference held in Buenos Aires.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

10 May 2018

IPU hails positive developments on Korean peninsula and pledges continued support for peace and reunification process

The IPU has welcomed the historic Inter-Korean Summit held on 27 April in the town of Panmunjom by both leaders, Kim Jong-un and Moon Jae-in. Congratulating the two leaders on this giant step towards peace and reconciliation of the Korean nation, IPU President, Gabriela Cuevas, invited both sides to pursue high-level dialogue at the parliamentary level at the House of Parliaments in Geneva under IPU auspices.

International Court of Justice [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 2 Jun 2018]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity https://www.icc-cpi.int/

28 May 2018

African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights delegation visits ICC

On 28 May 2018, high-level representatives of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights visited the International Criminal Court ("ICC" or "Court") with a view to strengthening the relationship between the two courts and exchanging experiences. The delegation consisted of the African Court's President, Judge Sylvain Oré, five other judges, and its Deputy Registrar, among other distinguished officials...

The <u>African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights</u> is a continental court established by Member States of the African Union to ensure the protection of human and peoples' rights in Africa...

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World Bank [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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IMF [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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May 25, 2018

Policies to Ensure Asia's Sustained Economic Success

By Tao Zhang, IMF Deputy Managing Director Asian Monetary Policy Forum, Singapore

African Development Bank Group [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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<u>African Development Bank leads on creating an Africa Financial Alliance for Climate</u> Change

- Seven of the 10 countries in the world most threatened by climate change are in Africa. African economies are already suffering the devastating effects of climate change, further exacerbating their development challenges. In response, the African Development Bank is leading the way on what may be Africa's most decisive action to ensure that the continent receives adequate climate finance.

<u>African Development Bank and Republic of Korea to strengthen cooperation through</u> Korea-Africa Tech Corps Program

31/05/2018 - The African Development Bank and the Republic of Korea have signed a cooperation agreement to enhance joint efforts to provide additional technical assistance to the Bank's Regional Member Countries through the Korea-Africa Tech Corp Program.

African Development Bank to host US \$3-million Rockefeller Trust Fund to spur agriculture and youth employment in Africa

30/05/2018 - The African Development Bank Group has established a US \$3-million Rockefeller Trust Fund, a joint effort of the Bank and The Rockefeller Foundation to help spur Africa's transformation.

Asian Development Bank [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]
30 May 2018

<u>IFIs Reaffirm Commitment to Coordinate Results Management and Independent Evaluation for Better Development Results</u>

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (30 May 2018) — Results management and independent evaluation must work hand in hand for international financial institutions (IFIs) to improve their performance and deliver significant development results on the ground, according to participants at a high-level meeting held today at Asian Development Bank (ADB) headquarters.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

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

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 2 Jun 2018] https://www.ifad.org/web/latest/news 28 May 2018

IFAD Vice-President in Kenya to promote innovations for rural transformation

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:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We will monitor media releases and other announcements around key initiatives, new research and major organizational change from a growing number of global NGOs, collaborations, and initiatives across the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. WE will not reference fundraising announcements, programs, events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org/en

Campagne

Let Them Choose: A pact for responsible commercialization of formula milk

17 May 2018 our petition

Under extreme living conditions – poverty, conflicts, lack of access to hygiene and safe water... – the use of formula milk instead of breast milk is an additional risk for children's health.

Families must be able to choose how to feed their children, between breast milk and formula milk. However, for years, parents' lack of information on the subject and aggressive marketing by manufacturers have aggravated the situation.

Accused in the 1970s of encouraging parental misinformation to sell more and more products, formula milk companies declare now working to comply with a code of good conduct proposed by the World Health Organization. This code provides a framework for commercialization and prohibits the marketing of formula milk.

Unfortunately, testimonies from the field, surveys and studies show that abusive practices persist: omnipresent advertising, messages idealizing products, gifts to families and doctors... These marketing practices influence parents' decisions.

It is now crucial to speak up for these parents and to encourage companies to act quickly and concretely by joining a pact. The objective? That they demonstrate their willingness to improve rapidly their practices, by submitting to a concrete programme of progress, evaluated by NGOs specializing in child nutrition.

Sign this petition for responsible commercialization of formula milk. Help us give parents the freedom to make a choice.

Amref Health Africa_ [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://amref.org/news/news/

May 31st, 2018

Health Accelerator programme for African start-ups now open for applications

Nairobi, Kenya: Applications are now being accepted for <u>Amref Health Africa</u>'s <u>Innovate for Life Fund</u>, a five-month accelerator program specifically designed for African health entrepreneurs. Now in its second year, the Innovate for Life Fund aims to support African entrepreneurs to accelerate home-grown health solutions for the African market.

In line with the <u>Lancet Commission on the future of health in sub-Saharan Africa</u>'s efforts, Amref Health Africa believes that African-based, local innovations, with the realities of each country and each community embedded at their core, are vital for lasting health solutions...

Aravind Eye Care System [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.aravind.org/default/currentnewscontent [Undated]

Health Value Award for Aravind

Washington, DC from April 29-May 2, 2018

Aravind Eye Care System wins Health Value Award, a prestigious award given by the World Healthcare Congress for those who can set examples for the industry. Aravind applied for this award in the category of Direct Care Providers, showcasing the Vision Centre Model. Donna Campbell, Executive Director, Aravind Eye Foundation received the award at the annual World Helathcare Congress held in Washington, DC from April 29-May 2, 2018.

BRAC [to 2 Jun 2018]
http://www.brac.net/#news
May 31, 2018

1 million children sign to make dreams come true
by Dil Afrose Duetee

Worldwide, 103 million youth cannot read – 60% of whom are girls. <u>The International Finance Facility for Education (IFFED)</u> is a groundbreaking plan to tackle this crisis. When up and running, it will help millions of children go to school, and prepare millions of young people to enter the global workforce.

More than a million of BRAC's students and young learners from nearly 17,000 schools and over 7,000 centres across Bangladesh have signed a call for an education funding plan. This initiative is a contribution to ensure that quality education becomes a reality for every child. The petition was delivered to the UN Secretary-General by youth campaigners of <a href="https://doi.org/10.108/j.com/nearly-nearly

CARE International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.care-international.org/news/press-releases 1st Jun 2018

CARE International appoints Caroline Kende Robb as new Secretary General

Today, CARE International announces that Caroline Kende Robb will join CARE International as the new Secretary General, starting August 2018.

28th May 2018

<u>CARE International calls on countries worldwide to support an ILO Convention on ending violence and harassment in the world of work</u>

The global poverty-fighting organization CARE International is calling on governments, employers and workers to back a new International Labour Organization (ILO) Convention on "Ending violence and harassment in the world of work"

Clubhouse International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.clubhouse-intl.org/news.html *No new digest content identified.*

Danish Refugee Council [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.drc.dk/news No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.ecpat.net/news
No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.fountainhouse.org/about/news-press No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.handicap-international.us/press_releases *No new digest content identified.*

Heifer International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/press/press-releases.html No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.helpage.org/newsroom/press-room/press-releases/ No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 2 Jun 2018]
https://www.icrc.org/en/whats-new
Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports
02-06-2018 | Article

Rakhine: returns must be safe, dignified and voluntary

Speech by the ICRC President at the Shangri-La Dialogue, Singapore, 2 June 2018 In both Cox's Bazar and in Rakhine, the ICRC and the broader humanitarian community is very much still in relief and emergency mode – providing life-saving assistance al

<u>China: ICRC president urges humanitarian focus for China's global governance</u> endeavour

Beijing (ICRC) – President Peter Maurer of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) left Beijing today at the end of an official visit to China, during which he had talks with the highest authorities, including Vice-President Mr. 01-06-2018 | News release

Gaza: Surgeons, supplies being sent to Gaza to meet overwhelming medical needs

To help with a rise in medical needs in Gaza, the ICRC is sending two surgical teams, additional medical specialists and an influx of supplies 31-05-2018 | News release

New global system to monitor attacks on health care

According to a new global surveillance system, 105 attacks on health-care facilities, personnel or resources were reported in the first three months of 2018. With many countries just beginning to submit their data, this number is expected to rise. 28-05-2018 | Article

IFRC [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.ifrc.org/en/news-and-media/press-releases/ No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.rescue.org/press-release-index Selected Press Releases & Statements No new digest content identified.

IRCT [to 2 Jun 2018]
http://www.irct.org/
No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.islamic-relief.org/ No new digest content identified.

Landsea [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Medecins du Monde [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/news-stories/press/press-releases

Press release

South Africa Takes Landmark Step to Ensure More People Have Access to Lifesaving Medicines

June 01, 2018

The government of South Africa released its new intellectual property policy this week, proposing important amendments to the country's flawed patent law which will help ensure improved access to affordable generic medicines, said the international medical humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders/ Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) Friday.

Press release

<u>South Sudan: Violence against civilians forces thousands to flee in Leer and Mayendit counties</u>

May 31, 2018

JUBA, SOUTH SUDAN/NEW YORK—Thousands of people are fleeing for their lives amid a sharp escalation in fighting and attacks on civilians in the Leer and Mayendit counties of <u>South Sudan</u> over the past month, the international medical humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) said today, calling on all armed actors to stop the violence against the local population.

Press release

DRC: MSF begins Ebola vaccination trial in Bikoro to help curb outbreak

NEW YORK/KINSHASA, MAY 29, 2018—The international medical humanitarian organization Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) started vaccinating <u>Ebola</u> frontline workers yesterday in Bikoro, Equateur Province, <u>Democratic Republic of Congo</u> (DRC). The vaccination, which is being conducted with Epicentre—MSF's research arm—will also be offered to contacts of patients. The start of the Bikoro trial comes about a week after health care workers in Mbandaka began receiving the vaccine.

The vaccination trial—which is only one element of the larger strategy to control the spread of Ebola—will be administered using a "ring" approach. This involves identifying newly diagnosed and laboratory-confirmed Ebola patients, locating the people they have been in contact with—often family members, neighbors, colleagues, and friends—and vaccinating them. This type of approach aims to help contain and prevent the spread of infection.

This investigational vaccine (rVSVDG-ZEBOV-GP) has not yet been licensed and is being implemented through a study protocol, which has been accepted by national authorities and the Ethical Review Board in Kinshasa, as well as MSF's Ethical Review Board.

Participation in this vaccine trial is voluntary and free, participants receive information on the vaccine before consenting, and those who choose to be vaccinated are carefully monitored over a period of time. "Given that it has not yet been licensed, we will be closely monitoring the vaccination," said Micaela Serafini, MSF's medical director in Geneva...

Mercy Corps [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

June 1, 2018

Mercy Corps Readies For 2018 Hurricane Season

Global Organization Focuses on Preparedness in at-Risk Locations

PORTLAND, Ore.—The scars of last year's Atlantic hurricane season are still fresh but Mercy Corps has put people and plans in place for the start of the 2018 season, with a focus on promoting preparedness in at-risk locations such as Haiti and Puerto Rico...

Operation Smile [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.operationsmile.org/press-office

Program Schedule

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

OXFAM [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.oxfam.org/en/pressroom/pressreleases

29 May 2018

<u>Urgent action needed to prevent famine in South Sudan – Oxfam</u>

Oxfam today called for urgent action to prevent millions of people being hit by famine in South Sudan.

Oxfam launches public awareness drive to keep Ebola under control in the Democratic Republic of Congo

28 May 2018

An Oxfam team has launched a public information drive to help people understand how best to protect themselves from coming into contact with the deadly Ebola virus.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.nrc.no/

Published 31. May 2018

Welcoming a positive turn for refugees in Lebanon

Eline Ankerl

Although negative rhetoric and unlawful evictions escalated in late 2017, policy changes that give more refugees a chance at legal residency are reasons for optimism.

Published 28. May 2018 Edited 27. May 2018

Alarming needs among families fleeing Mali violence

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More than 8,000 people who fled their homes in Menaka, Mali, are living under precarious conditions. An assessment led by the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) reveals urgent needs for water, food, medical and psychosocial support.

Pact [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.pactworld.org/ No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.pih.org/blog
No new digest content identified.

PATH [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.path.org/news/index.php

Press release

Over 1,000 people in Vietnam have taken pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) drugs to reduce the risk of HIV infection

Ho Chi Minh City, Tuesday, May 29, 2018—Today at a workshop in Ho Chi Minh City, the Vietnam Administration for HIV/AIDS Control (VAAC), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the World Health Organization (WHO), and PATH revealed that nearly 1,200 people at high risk of HIV have enrolled in pilot oral pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) programs in Vietnam in order to reduce their risk of infection.

PrEP is a combination of two antiretroviral drugs, which, if taken daily as prescribed, can reduce the risk of HIV infection for people who are at high risk (including men who have sex with men [MSM], transgender women [TGW], and the HIV-negative partners of those diagnosed with HIV) by 92 to 99 percent. WHO has recommended the use of PrEP for people at substantial risk of HIV since 2015, as part of a combination HIV prevention strategy that includes the use of condoms...

Plan International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.savethechildren.net/news

Wednesday 30 May 2018

Most of the world's children threatened by conflict, widespread poverty or discrimination against girls

More than half of all children globally – over 1.2 billion – are threatened by conflict, widespread poverty or discrimination against girls, a <u>new report</u> by Save the Children has found.

Launched ahead of International Children's Day on June 1st, <u>The Many Faces of Exclusion</u> examines how these three key factors are robbing children of their childhoods around the world.

In its second year, the report also includes a ranking of 175 countries where childhood is most and least threatened as a result of poor health, malnutrition, exclusion from education, child labour, child marriage, early pregnancy and extreme violence.

Singapore and Slovenia both rank first, with Norway, Sweden and Finland rounding out the top five. Eight of the bottom 10 countries are in West and Central Africa, with Niger ranked last for the second year running...

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/about-sos/press/press-releases

Greece - 2 June 2018

SOS Children's Villages inaugurates new Village

The country's financial crisis prompts the expansion of care for children on Crete SOS Children's Villages Greece has formally inaugurated a new Village on Crete to address the growing needs for care on the island...

Tostan [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.tostan.org

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.womenforwomen.org/press-releases

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://wvi.org/

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://cmfr-phil.org/media-ethics-responsibility/

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

https://www.eff.org/

May 31, 2018 Press Release

<u>Facebook, Instagram Lack Transparency on Government-Ordered Content Removal Amid Unprecedented Demands to Censor User Speech, EFF's Annual Who Has Your Back Report Shows</u>

Apple App Store, Google Play Store, YouTube Among the Best at Informing Users About the Number of, and Reasons for, Content Takedowns

San Francisco, California—Facing increased demands from governments to remove user content, purportedly in the name of combating hate speech and extremism, a handful of social media and app store platforms—including the Apple App Store, Google Play Store, and YouTube—have emerged as leaders in transparency, publicly disclosing how often and why they comply with takedown requests, and notifying users when their posts are targeted for removal, an Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) report found.

Others major platforms, notably Facebook and Instagram, have failed to adopt truly meaningful notice practices and policies that inform users of crucial details, like which

governments have come knocking and why, EFF said in its <u>Who Has Your Back: Censorship</u> Edition report, released today...

Freedom House [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://freedomhouse.org/news

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

Press Releases

United States: Presidential Pardons Require Sense of Responsibility

June 1, 2018

Since taking office, President Trump has used or threatened to use the pardon to aid powerful individuals with political connections—some of whom have defended their actions and openly belittled the legal system—and to deal symbolic blows to political opponents.

Press Releases

Nicaragua: Violence against Civil Society Reaches New Peak

May 31, 2018

In response to Nicaraguan authorities increasingly targeting peaceful protestors and human rights activists with intimidation and violent attacks, including the arrest this week of six members of the Comisión Permanente de Derechos Humanos, Freedom House issued a statement.

Transparency International [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.transparency.org/news/pressreleases/

No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://childfundalliance.org/

June 01, 2018 Statements

The participation of children and adolescents and the eradication of violence against children

by Diana Quick

Read the <u>final statement</u> of the International Seminar "Participation of children and adolescents in the eradication of violence against children," held in Asunción, Paraguay on 30 May 2018.

CONCORD [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://concordeurope.org/news-and-events/

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

[Action Aid, Age International, British Red Cross, CAFOD, Care International, Christian Aid, Concern Worldwide, Islamic Relief, Oxfam, Plan UK, Save the Children, Tearfund and World No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://theelders.org/news-media

News 31 May 2018

Global challenges demand leaders act on principles not populism

Ban Ki-moon urges politicians to have the courage to take difficult decisions rather than pandering to xenophobic or populist pressures.

News 28 May 2018

On climate action and healthcare, it is the young who hold the keys of change

Addressing graduating students at the Harvard School of Public Health, Mary Robinson highlights the interrelated challenges of climate change and health - and the potential of young people to seize the opportunity to deliver positive change.

END Fund [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://end.org/media-hub/ Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 2 Jun 2018]

www.evidenceaid.org
No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.gavi.org/library/news/press-releases/

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/?topic=&type=NEWS;&country=No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://prizecoalition.charity.org/ An Alliance of Hilton Prize Recipients No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://icvanetwork.org/

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 2 Jun 2018] http://www.ineesite.org/en/news

IRIN 28 May 2018

A lost generation: No education, no dreams for Rohingya refugee children

InterAction [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.interaction.org/

06/01/2018

<u>InterAction Welcomes Noam Unger as New Vice President of Global Development Policy and Learning</u>

InterAction officially announced the selection of Noam Unger as the new vice president of global development policy and learning on June 1. Unger is the acting chief strategy officer at USAID and will join InterAction in July.

Start Network [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.start-network.org/news-blog/#.U9U_O7FR98E

No new digest content identified.

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Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.alnap.org/

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://devinit.org/news/

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Annual Call for Proposals

R2HC 6TH annual CALL will be launched in June 2018

R2HC aims to improve health outcomes by strengthening the evidence base for public health interventions in humanitarian crises.

The Sphere Project [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.sphereproject.org/news/

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://phap.org/

30 May 2018

The World Bank shares its perspectives on working in fragile contexts - recording available

On 24 May, ICVA and PHAP organized the second session of the learning stream on the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, which explored the role of the World Bank when

working in conflict situations and fragile contexts, and how their approach has changed since the World Humanitarian Summit

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Center for Global Development [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

June 1, 2018

Three Decades of Poverty Mobility in Nigeria: The Trapped, the Freed, and the Never Trapped - Working Paper 485

Individuals do escape poverty during periods of overall rise in the poverty rate; they also transit into poverty during periods of overall decline in the poverty rate. In this paper, I explore six sweeps of household surveys of Nigeria (1980–2010) in an attempt to address these concerns. In addition, I test whether different processes are at work in determining chronic and transient poverty.

Zuhumnan Dapel

May 30, 2018

<u>Migration Is What You Make It: Seven Policy Decisions that Turned Challenges into Opportunities</u>

Policymakers and voters reasonably want to know what the effects of immigration are, to help them decide how much immigration there should be. But the effects of immigration are highly contingent on where, when, how, and who. We must ask a more fruitful question: how can different policy choices generate positive economic effects from immigration and avoid negative ones? Immigration is not inherently "good" or "bad." Its effects depend on the context and the policy choices that shape it.

Michael Clemens , Cindy Huang , Jimmy Graham and Kate Gough

May 30, 2018

Rethinking the Humanitarian Business Model

Humanitarian reform efforts in recent decades have underperformed because they have focused on enhancing coordination without realigning funding incentives. The predominant business model in the humanitarian sector encourages UN agencies to conflate their designated normative and technical leadership functions with their own programmatic fundraising in ways that directly impede cohesive, end-user-centered humanitarian response.

Jeremy Konyndyk

ODI [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.odi.org/media-hub/press-room

Selected Research/Publications

Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence overview

Briefing papers | June 2018

This concise brochure gives an overview of the GAGE programme, detailing our conceptual framework, research questions and methodology.

GAGE on: adolescence and gender norms

Briefing papers | June 2018

This 'GAGE on' briefing discusses change strategies to support gender norm change.

Urban Institute [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.urban.org/publications

June 1, 2018

<u>Potential Cost Savings Associated with Providing Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment for Substance Use Disorder in Emergency Departments: Rapid Review</u>

This report provides a rapid review of evidence on the potential cost savings associated with providing screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment for individuals with substance use disorders (SUDs) related to alcohol and drug use in emergency departments (EDs). Over approximately two weeks, the research team synthesized available peer-reviewed evidence using a comprehensive search strategy of literature published Lisa Clemans-Cope, Sarah Benatar, Marni Epstein, Nikhil Holla Brief

TANF on the Brink of Change

The District of Columbia is changing its Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance program to promote better long-term outcomes for families and children. The most recent change, implemented April 2018, is an end to the five-year limit for full benefits. Previously, families who received benefits received reduced cash assistance after 60 months in the program. They will now receive the full amount.

Heather Hahn, Amelia Coffey, Eleanor Pratt

May 29, 2018 Research Report

World Economic Forum [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://agenda.weforum.org/news/ No new digest content identified.

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch

We will primarily monitor press/media releases announcing key initiatives and new research from a growing number of global foundations and donors engaged in the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. This Watch section is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative.

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

<u>Allen Distinguished Investigators named Howard Hughes Medical Institute</u> <u>Investigators</u>

May 31, 2018

Two Allen Distinguished Investigators are among the 19 new scientists appointed to the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in 2018.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 2 Jun 2018]

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.

Clinton Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

Press Release May 24, 2018

<u>President Bill Clinton and Chelsea Clinton release 2017 Impact Report on the work</u> of the Clinton Foundation

Report shows growing impact of its programs to create economic opportunity, improve public health, and inspire civic engagement and service; charts path forward in 2018

Co Impact [to 2 Jun 2018]

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 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.fordfoundation.org/?filter=News

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.ghitfund.org/

GHIT was set up in 2012 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that devastate the world's poorest people. Other funders include six Japanese pharmaceutical • June 1, 2018

GHIT's 2017 Annual Report Published

GHIT Fund Website Renewed

Together we are better, together we are GHIT [film]

May 27, 2018 | Publications

Strategic Plan 2018 Published

Grameen Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.grameenfoundation.org/news-events/press-room No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

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

May 31, 2018

<u>Part two: Depolarizing climate action through supporting diverse ecosystems of organizations</u>

This is the second in a five-part series by Hewlett Environment Program Officer Erin Rogers about what charitable philanthropists and nonprofits are learning about ways to convert widespread public support for clean energy and other climate solutions into policy action that can ensure a safer climate for all. Looking at -- and beyond -- Hewlett's...

By Erin Rogers

May 29, 2018

Part one: Building political will for climate action

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By <u>Erin Rogers</u>

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news

Our News

Message from Peter Laugharn: Important Update About Our Priority Program Areas

May 31, 2018 By Peter Laugharn

We are sharing news of some changes to our priority program areas.

IKEA Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.ikeafoundation.org/category/press-releases/

May 28, 2018

New €8 million grant will help transform humanitarian aid system to protect children better

During emergencies, children need protection and support from well-trained humanitarian workers. To help this happen, the IKEA Foundation supports Save the Children's work to give humanitarian professionals the tools they need to protect children when they need it most.

We have been supporting this vital work since 2015 and are now pleased to announce a new grant of €8 million to help reach thousands more aid workers.

The new grant will provide training for over 20,000 aid workers around the world, giving them the professional skills to protect, support and educate children during disasters.

Since 2015, with our support, Save the Children has trained more than 300 aid workers in over 40 countries. During the training sessions, participants explore real-life scenarios and learn from experienced colleagues. The programme helps them respond faster and better when disaster strikes...

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.hhmi.org/news

May 31 2018 Research

Meet Three New Genes That May Have Influenced Human Brain Size

Summary

Three brain development genes are found only in humans and may have helped drive the rapid expansion of the brain starting roughly three million years ago.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.kff.org/ No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media#pp=10&p=1&f1=news May 29, 2018

Michigan analysis makes the business case for racial equity in new report released by W.K. Kellogg Foundation and Altarum

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. – A study released today by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF) and Altarum concludes that economic growth in Michigan could be far greater and provides a blueprint for boosting the state's economy. "The Business Case for Racial Equity Michigan: A Strategy for Growth" analysis finds that Michigan can realize a \$92 billion gain in economic output by 2050 if racial disparities in health, education, incarceration and employment are eliminated.

"The study details our state's untapped economic potential," says La June Montgomery Tabron, WKKF's president and CEO. "Advancing racial equity will translate into an economic boom for businesses, the public sector and communities and catalyze the creativity and productivity of all Michiganders. Inequities hold our communities back and a growing number of public and private sector leaders are recognizing that everyone has a stake in creating opportunities for all people."...

MacArthur Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.macfound.org/

May 31, 2018 - Grantee Research

Assessing Mexico's Response to Forced Disappearances

A report by I(dh)eas, Litigio Estratégico en Derechos Humanos developed in partnership with several families of missing persons in Mexico and submitted to the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances outlines Mexico's shortcomings in addressing the rising numbers of forced disappearances in recent years.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.moore.org/

June 5, 2018

Jupyter Notebooks: The influential software system at the center of data science

...Tech giants Microsoft, Google and IBM use Jupyter Notebooks [free, open-source software designed as a computational notebook, to document, visualize and run complex code with data.] to help analyze, store and make available data sets. The companies have created entire commercial data science platforms based on the software system. Jupyter has even contributed to the scientific collaboration that discovered gravitational waves. The LIGO observatory, whose discovery was recognized with the 2017 Nobel Prize in Physics, publishes Jupyter Notebooks that allow anyone to replicate their original analyses of the colliding black holes and colliding neutron stars that generate gravitational ripples in spacetime...

In 2015, our foundation, along with the Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust and Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, partnered to help expand and improve the capabilities of the Jupyter Notebook with \$6 million in grants. The grant from the Moore Foundation is part of our <u>Data-Driven Discovery Initiative</u> and is an example of our <u>strategy</u> that focuses on the creation and dissemination of innovative tools for engaging in data-driven scientific research.

"Jupyter is the kind of innovative technology that supports groundbreaking new research. Software is the core instrument for data-driven scientists, and it is becoming increasingly critical for making new discoveries in most every discipline. Unfortunately, technology like Jupyter is often under-supported and not sufficiently recognized for its contribution to research results," said Chris Mentzel, program director at the Moore Foundation. "We believe that research software will continue to accelerate new science and we are excited to see Jupyter gain such broad adoption."...

Open Society Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/issues/media-information No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.packard.org/news/ No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/about-us/news-media/ May 29, 2018

<u>African Development Bank to Host US\$3 Million Rockefeller Trust Fund to Spur</u> Agriculture and Youth Employment in Africa

Busan, Korea 21 May 2018 – The African Development Bank Group has established a US\$ 3 million Rockefeller Trust Fund, a joint effort of the Bank and The Rockefeller Foundation to help in spurring Africa's transformation... Under the Bank's "Improve the Quality of life for the People in Africa" priority, Rockefeller Trust Fund will support the Jobs for Youth for Africa Coding for Employment Programme. The Programme's goal is to increase inclusive employment and entrepreneurship among Africa's youth...

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 2 Jun 2018]

http://www.rwif.org/en/about-rwif/newsroom/news-releases.html

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 2 Jun 2018]

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..."

June 1, 2018

Foundations Play a Supporting Role in Basic Science [via Physics Today]

Alliance president Marc Kastner and members The Kavli Foundation, The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Simons Foundation, and Heising-Simons Foundation are included in this story by David Kramer.

Philanthropic efforts on behalf of basic research span a range of modalities, from assistance for individual investigators to the establishment of research institutes.

SDG Philanthropy Platform

http://sdafunders.org/

SDG Philanthropy Platform is a collaboration between philanthropy and the greater international development community led by Foundation Center, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, and supported by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Ford Foundation and the MasterCard Foundation, the Brach Family Foundation, and other key organizations such as Asociación de Fundaciones Empresariales (AFE) in Colombia, Brach Family Charitable Foundation, CAF America, Council on Foundations, East Africa Association of Grantmakers (EAAG), European Foundation Centre, Filantropi Indonesia (FI), GlobalGiving, The Humanitarian Forum, World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, and Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS). No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

https://sloan.org/about/press No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 2 Jun 2018]

https://wellcome.ac.uk/news News / Published: 29 May 2018

New fund to support groundbreaking open research

Our new Open Research Fund supports innovative approaches that enable data, code or other research outputs to be discovered, accessed and reused.

It will allow researchers from any discipline to do experiments at the cutting edge of open research and evaluate the benefits and risks of their approach.

The awards are:

- :: for new activities or to develop existing activities
- :: open to individuals or teams from anywhere in the world
- :: up to £50,000 each.

We'll be accepting applications once a year.

Robert Kiley, Head of Wellcome's Open Research team, says: "We believe the research community are best placed to devise new and innovative ways to make research outputs more open and usable.

"These awards provide a unique opportunity for the most interesting and groundbreaking proposals to be developed, tested and evaluated."

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:: Journal Watch

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

American Journal of Infection Control

June 2018 Volume 46, Issue 6, p601-732, e31-e42 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

June 2018 Volume 54, Issue 6, p727-848 http://www.ajpmonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

June 2018 108(6) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 98, Issue 5, 2018 http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/98/5 [Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

15 May 2018 Vol: 168, Issue 10 http://annals.org/aim/issue [Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/
(Accessed 2 Jun 2018)

Methodology

| 1 June 2018

<u>Cultural beliefs, utility values, and health technology assessment</u>

Health-care utilities differ considerably from country to country. Our objective was to examine the association of cultural values based on Hofstede's cultural dimensions' theory with utility values that were identified using the time trade off method.

Authors: Jörg Mahlich, Piyameth Dilokthornsakul, Rosarin Sruamsiri and Nathorn Chaiyakunapruk

BMJ Global Health

May 2018 - Volume 3 - 3 http://gh.bmj.com/content/3/3 [Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) Research article

A cross-sectional study of experienced coercion in adolescent mental health inpatients

Involuntary care and coercive measures are frequently present in mental healthcare for adolescents. The purpose of this study was to examine to what extent adolescents perceive or experience coercion during in...

Authors: Olav Nyttingnes, Torleif Ruud, Reidun Norvoll, Jorun Rugkåsa and Ketil Hanssen-Bauer

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2018 18:389

Published on: 30 May 2018

BMC Infectious Diseases

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) Research article

Summary results of the 2014-2015 DARPA Chikungunya challenge

Emerging pathogens such as Zika, chikungunya, Ebola, and dengue viruses are serious threats to national and global health security. Accurate forecasts of emerging epidemics and their severity are critical to minimizing subsequent mortality, morbidity, and economic loss. The recent introduction of chikungunya and Zika virus to the Americas underscores the need for better methods for disease surveillance and forecasting.

Authors: Sara Y. Del Valle, Benjamin H. McMahon, Jason Asher, Richard Hatchett, Joceline C. Lega, Heidi E. Brown, Mark E. Leany, Yannis Pantazis, David J. Roberts, Sean Moore, A Townsend Peterson, Luis E. Escobar, Huijie Qiao, Nicholas W. Hengartner and Harshini Mukundan

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2018 18:245

Published on: 30 May 2018

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content (Accessed 2 Jun 2018)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 2 Jun 2018)

Research article

| 1 June 2018

<u>Determinants of infant mortality for children of women prisoners: a longitudinal</u> linked data study

There is limited information on the determinants of infant mortality outcomes for the children of women prisoners. This study aimed to explore determinants of infant mortality for Indigenous and non-Indigenous children, with a specific focus on maternal imprisonment during pregnancy as a risk factor.

Authors: Caitlin McMillen Dowell, Gloria C. Mejia, David B. Preen and Leonie Segal

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

January 2018 - Volume 8 - 5 http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 96, Number 6, June 2018, 369-440 http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/96/6/en/ EDITORIALS

Dialysis therapy for Syrian refugees in Lebanon: a call for action

Nabil Karah, Mohamed Nour Kurhani, Eyad Fadloun, Bahija Mayasi, Federico Orioli, Kristil
 Haraldstad & Erik Fosse

http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.18.214866

No end to cholera without basic water, sanitation and hygiene

 Maggie Montgomery, Megan Wilson Jones, Ibrahim Kabole, Rick Johnston & Bruce Gordon http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.18.213678

RESEARCH

Monographs for medicines on WHO's Model List of Essential Medicines

 Lukas Roth, Melissa Adler, Tanvi Jain & Daniel Bempong http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.17.205807

Abstract

Objective

To raise awareness about the importance of public pharmaceutical standards, identify if and, if so, where current pharmacopeias are falling short in the development of new and complete monographs and foster collaboration among the various pharmacopeias, to prioritize, develop and make available standards for those key medicines for which no complete monographs exist. Methods

In August 2017, we mined eight pharmacopeias to identify which of the 669 medicines in the 20th edition of the World Health Organization's Model List of Essential Medicines were covered by complete or incomplete monographs. The pharmacopeias we included were the Brazilian Pharmacopoeia, the British Pharmacopoeia, the Indian Pharmacopeia Commission, the International Pharmacopoeia, the Japanese Pharmacopoeia, the Mexican Pharmacopoeia, the Pharmacopoeia of the People's Republic of China and the United States Pharmacopeia. Findings

For 99 (15%) of the medicines on the Model List, no monographs were available in any of the eight pharmacopeias investigated. Only 3% (1/30) of the cardiovascular medicines listed, but 28% (9/32) of the antiretroviral medicines and 23% (6/26) of the antimalarial medicines lacked monographs.

Conclusion

There appear to be no public standards for many so-called essential medicines. To address this shortfall, a greater collaboration in the global health community is needed.

POLICY & PRACTICE

The global burden of kidney disease and the sustainable development goals

Valerie A Luyckx, Marcello Tonelli & John W Stanifer http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.17.206441

Abstract

Kidney disease has been described as the most neglected chronic disease. Reliable estimates of the global burden of kidney disease require more population-based studies, but specific risks occur across the socioeconomic spectrum from poverty to affluence, from malnutrition to obesity, in agrarian to post-industrial settings, and along the life course from newborns to older people. A range of communicable and noncommunicable diseases result in renal complications and many people who have kidney disease lack access to care. The causes, consequences and costs of kidney diseases have implications for public health policy in all countries. The risks of kidney disease are also influenced by ethnicity, gender, location and lifestyle. Increasing economic and health disparities, migration, demographic transition, unsafe working conditions and environmental threats, natural disasters and pollution may thwart attempts to reduce the morbidity and mortality from kidney disease. A multisectoral approach is needed to tackle the global burden of kidney disease. The sustainable development goals (SDGs) emphasize the importance of a multisectoral approach to health. We map the actions towards achieving all of the SDGs that have the potential to improve understanding, measurement, prevention and treatment of kidney disease in all age groups. These actions can also foster treatment innovations and reduce the burden of such disease in future generations.

LESSONS FROM THE FIELD

Oral cholera vaccine in cholera prevention and control, Malawi

Maurice M'bangombe, Lorenzo Pezzoli, Bruce Reeder, Storn Kabuluzi, Kelias Msyamboza,
 Humphreys Masuku, Bagrey Ngwira, Philippe Cavailler, Francesco Grandesso, Adriana
 Palomares, Namseon Beck, Allison Shaffer, Emily MacDonald, Mesfin Senbete, Justin Lessler,

Sean M Moore & Andrew S Azman http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.17.207175

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 44, Issue 3 Pages: 343-506 May 2018 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

May 2018 Volume 40, Issue 5, p669-812 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current [Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] Review 1 June 2018

A scoping review of the associations between mental health and factors related to HIV acquisition and disease progression in conflict-affected populations

...The search identified that mental health has been quantitatively associated with the following categories of HIV-related factors in conflict-affected populations: markers of HIV risk, HIV-related health status, sexual risk behaviors, and HIV risk exposures (i.e. sexual violence). Further, findings suggest that symptoms of poor mental health are associated with sexual risk behaviors and HIV markers, while HIV risk exposures and health status are associated with symptoms of poor mental health. Results suggest a role for greater integration and referrals across HIV and mental health programs for conflict-affected populations. Authors: Erica Koegler and Caitlin E. Kennedy

Debate

29 May 2018

<u>Wishful thinking versus operational commitment: is the international guidance on priority sexual and reproductive health interventions in humanitarian settings becoming unrealistic?</u>

Twenty-one years ago, a global consortium of like-minded institutions designed the landmark Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) for sexual and reproductive health (SRH) to guide national and international humanitarian first responders in preventing morbidity and mortality at the onset of chaos, destruction, and high insecurity caused by disasters or conflicts. Since then, the MISP has undergone limited change and has become an international reference in humanitarian response. This article discusses our perspectives regarding the 2018 changes to the MISP that have created division among humanitarian field practitioners, academics, advocates, and development agencies...

Authors: Nguyen Toan Tran and Catrin Schulte-Hillen

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 68 Pages 1-146 (May 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/68/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

June 2018 - Volume 31 - Issue 3 http://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

March 2018 Volume 18, Issue 1 Pages 1–64
http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/dewb.2018.18.issue-1/issuetoc

**Special Issue: Rebuilding Patient-Physician Trust in China, Developing a Trust-Oriented Bioethics

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 28, Issue 4, 2018 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 36, Issue 3 Pages: i-iv, 263, 265-386 May 2018 http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/dpr.2018.36.issue-2/issuetoc [Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 13, Issue 4, 2018 http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current [Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 12 - Issue 2 - April 2018 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

April 2018 Volume 42, Issue 2 Pages 205–404 http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/disa.2018.42.issue-2/issuetoc [Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

01 April 2018; volume 19, issue 4 http://embor.embopress.org/content/19/4?current-issue=y [Reviewed earlier]

Emergency Medicine Journal

Volume 24, Number 6—June 2018 https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/ [Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 24, Number 6—June 2018 http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/ [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemics

Volume 23 Pages 1-120 (June 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/22/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 146 - Issue 7 - May 2018 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Winter 2017 (Issue 31.4) https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2017/winter-2017-issue-31-4/ [Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 28, Issue 3, 1 June 2018 https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/28/3 [Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75 Volume 77 Pages 1-152 (May 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/76/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 10, Issue 2, April 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/10/2/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

February 2018 http://www.fmreview.org/syria2018/contents.html

Syrians in displacement

With 2018 marking the 7th anniversary of the Syrian conflict, this issue of FMR explores new insights and continuing challenges relating to the displacement of millions of Syrians both internally and in neighbouring countries. What we learn from responses to this large-scale, multi-faceted displacement is also relevant to other situations of displacement beyond as well as within the Middle East. FMR 57 contains 27 articles on 'Syrians in displacement', plus six 'general' articles on other topics.

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 45, Issue 2, 2018 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Genocide Studies International

Vol. 11, No. 2, Fall 2017 https://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current [Reviewed earlier]

Geoheritage

Volume 10, Issue 1, March 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/10/1/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Global Health Action

Volume 11, 2018 – Issue 1 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/11/1?nav=tocList [Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 6, No. 1 March 21, 2018 http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health

Volume 13, 2017 Issue 7 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/ [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] Research 1 June 2018

<u>UNICEF's contribution to the adoption and implementation of option B+ for preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV: a policy analysis</u>

The adoption of the Option B+ policy marked a departure from established processes for PMTCT policy formulation which had been led by WHO with the support of technical experts, and in which recommendations were developed following shifts in evidence. Rather, changes were spurred by a country-level initiative, and a set of strategically framed arguments that resonated with funders and country-level actors. This bottom-up approach, supported by normative agencies, was transformative. For UNICEF, alignment between the organisation's country focus and the policy's underpinning values, enabled it to work with partners and accelerate widespread policy change.

Authors: M. F. Chersich, E. Newbatt, K. Ng'oma and I. de Zoysa

Health Affairs

May 2018 Vol. 37, No. 5 https://www.healthaffairs.org/toc/hlthaff/current Precision Medicine

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 19, Issue 2, December 2017
http://www.hhrjournal.org/ **Special Section on Romani People and the Right to Health**[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 13 - Issue 2 - April 2018 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 5, 1 June 2018 http://heapol.oxfordjournals.org/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Health Promotion International

Volume 33, Issue 2, 1 April 2018 https://academic.oup.com/heapro/issue [Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] Research 31 May 2018

<u>Development of measurable indicators to enhance public health evidence-informed</u> policy-making

Ensuring health policies are informed by evidence still remains a challenge despite efforts devoted to this aim. Several tools and approaches aimed at fostering evidence-informed policy-

making (EIPM) have been developed, yet there is a lack of availability of indicators specifically devoted to assess and support EIPM. The present study aims to overcome this by building a set of measurable indicators for EIPM intended to infer if and to what extent health-related policies are, or are expected to be, evidence-informed for the purposes of policy planning as well as formative and summative evaluations.

Authors: Valentina Tudisca, Adriana Valente, Tommaso Castellani, Timo Stahl, Petru Sandu, Diana Dulf, Hilde Spitters, Ien Van de Goor, Christina Radl-Karimi, Mohamed Ahmed Syed, Natasa Loncarevic, Cathrine Juel Lau, Susan Roelofs, Maja Bertram, Nancy Edwards and Arja R. Aro

Research 30 May 2018

<u>Collaborative and partnership research for improvement of health and social</u> services: researcher's experiences from 20 projects

Getting research into policy and practice in healthcare is a recognised, world-wide concern. As an attempt to bridge the gap between research and practice, research funders are requesting more interdisciplinary and collaborative research, while actual experiences of such processes have been less studied. Accordingly, the purpose of this study was to gain more knowledge on the interdisciplinary, collaborative and partnership research process by investigating researchers' experiences of and approaches to the process, based on their participation in an inventive national research programme. The programme aimed to boost collaborative and partnership research and build learning structures, while improving ways to lead, manage and develop practices in Swedish health and social services.

Authors: M. E. Nyström, J. Karltun, C. Keller and B. Andersson Gare

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 40, Number 2, May 2018 http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/38551 [Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 71 March 2018

https://odihpn.org/magazine/humanitarian-response-urban-areas/

<u>Humanitarian response in urban areas</u>

Humanitarian crises are increasingly affecting urban areas either directly, through civil conflict, hazards such as flooding or earthquakes, urban violence or outbreaks of disease, or indirectly, through hosting people fleeing these threats. The humanitarian sector has been slow to understand how the challenges and opportunities of working in urban spaces necessitate changes in how they operate. For agencies used to working in rural contexts, the dynamism of the city, with its reliance on markets, complex systems and intricate logistics, can be a daunting challenge. Huge, diverse and mobile populations complicate needs assessments, and close coordination with other, often unfamiliar, actors is necessary. [Reviewed earlier]

IDRiM Journal

Vol 7, No 1 (2017)
http://idrimjournal.com/index.php/idrim/issue/view/17
[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

http://www.infectagentscancer.com/content [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] [No new digest content identified]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

http://www.idpjournal.com/content [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] Research Article 31 May 2018

Mapping and modelling the impact of mass drug adminstration on filariasis prevalence in Myanmar

Authors: Ni Ni Aye, Zaw Lin, Khin Nan Lon, Nay Yi Yi Linn, Thet Wai Nwe, Khin Mon Mon, Kapa Ramaiah, Hannah Betts and Louise A. Kelly-Hope

International Health

Volume 10, Issue 3, 1 May 2018 http://inthealth.oxfordjournals.org/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 6, Issue 2, 2017 http://booksandjournals.brillonline.com/content/journals/22131035/6/2 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 5, No 5 (2018) May 2018 http://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/38 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 28 Pages 1-874 (June 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/22124209/27 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 47, Issue 2, 1 April 2018, Pages 359 https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/47/2 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 24, Issue 7 2018 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current

Tools for a Critical Heritage: Exploring Shared Authority and Stakeholder-Defined Values of Heritage

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 11 Issue 2 2018 https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/ijhrh/11/2 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Infectious Diseases

May 2018 Volume 70, p1-136 https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(18)X0004-6 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Sustainable Development & World Ecology

Volume 25, 2018 - Issue 6

http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/tsdw20/current

Article

<u>Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices developed by Brazilian companies:</u> an exploratory study

M. L. Borges, R. Anholon, R. E. Cooper Ordoñez, O. L. G. Quelhas, L.A Santa-Eulalia & W. Leal

<u>Filho</u>

Pages: 509-517

Published online: 20 Dec 2017

Article

<u>People's dependency on forest resources and contributions of forests to the livelihoods: a case study in Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) of Bangladesh</u>

Morgubatul Jannat, Mohammed Kamal Hossain, Mohammad Main Uddin, Md. Akhter Hossain &

Md. Kamruzzaman Pages: 554-561

Published online: 05 Feb 2018

International Migration Review

Online First

http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/0/0

Review Article

<u>Immigrants' Experiences of Everyday Discrimination in Canada 0 Unpacking the Contributions of Assimilation, Race, and Early Socialization</u>

Zoua M. Vang, Yvonne Chang

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

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JAMA

May 22/29, 2018, Vol 319, No. 20, Pages 2057-2146 http://jama.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

JAMA Pediatrics

May 2018, Vol 172, No. 5, Pages 401-504 http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

May 2018 - Volume 16 - Issue 5 http://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Adolescent Health

June 2018 Volume 62, Issue 6, p633-754 https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(17)X0021-9 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Community Health

Volume 43, Issue 3, June 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/43/3/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage

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https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/31/suppl/S
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2018: Volume 8 Issue 1 http://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jchmsd/8/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Development Economics

Volume 132 Pages 1-150 (May 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal-journal-of-development-economics/vol/132/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Education in Emergencies

Vol. 3, Num. 1, July 2017
http://www.ineesite.org/en/journal/vol3-num1
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 13, Issue 2, April 2018 http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current **Ethical Issues in Biobanking and use of Biospecimens** [Reviewed earlier]

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Reporting quality of trial abstracts—improved yet suboptimal: A systematic review and meta-analysis

We conducted a systematic review and meta-analysis of literature to determine if the publication of the Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) abstract guideline in 2008 was followed by change in reporting quality of randomized controlled trial (RCT) abstracts. ... The change in reporting quality of RCT abstracts is far from satisfactory, as evidenced by suboptimal post-CONSORT rates and wide CIs of effect sizes for majority of improved items. Mere publication of CONSORT—abstract guideline, without strict endorsement has failed to translate into good quality abstracts.

Viswas Chhapola, Soumya Tiwari, Rekha Brar, Sandeep Kumar Kanwal

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May/June 2018 - Volume 24 - Issue 3 http://journals.lww.com/jphmp/pages/default.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 39, Issue 2, May 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/39/2/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 25, Issue suppl_1, 1 May 2018 https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/25/suppl_1 Asian travel: from the rare to the difficult [Reviewed earlier]

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Jun 02, 2018 Volume 391 Number 10136 p2185-2294 http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current Articles

<u>Measuring performance on the Healthcare Access and Quality Index for 195</u>
<u>countries and territories and selected subnational locations: a systematic analysis</u>
from the Global Burden of Disease Study 2016

A key component of achieving universal health coverage is ensuring that all populations have access to quality health care. Examining where gains have occurred or progress has faltered across and within countries is crucial to guiding decisions and strategies for future improvement. We used the Global Burden of Diseases, Injuries, and Risk Factors Study 2016 (GBD 2016) to assess personal health-care access and quality with the Healthcare Access and Quality (HAQ) Index for 195 countries and territories, as well as subnational locations in seven countries, from 1990 to 2016.

GBD 2016 Healthcare Access and Quality Collaborators Open Access

Lancet Global Health

Jun 2018 Volume 6 Number 6 e593-e702 http://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 22, Issue 5, May 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/10995/22/5/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

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Emerging trends in global freshwater availability

Analysis of 2002–2016 GRACE satellite observations of terrestrial water storage reveals substantial changes in freshwater resources globally, which are driven by natural and anthropogenic climate variability and human activities.

M. Rodell, J. S. Famiglietti ... & M.-H. Lo

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May 31, 2018 Vol. 378 No. 22 http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal Perspective - Shattuck Lecture

Innovation for Pandemics

Bill Gates

We need a clear road map for a comprehensive pandemic preparedness and response system, because lives, in numbers too great to comprehend, depend on it.

Review Article

Statistics in Medicine: Multiplicity Considerations in Clinical Trials

A Dmitrienko and R.B. D'Agostino, Sr.

Making multiple comparisons increases the likelihood that a chance association could be interpreted as causal. A number of statistical approaches can facilitate the precise interpretation of clinical trial results.

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Volume 47, Issue 3, June 2018 http://nvs.sagepub.com/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration

VOL. 7, NO. 1 (AUGUST 2017) http://oxmofm.com/current-issue/ [Reviewed earlier]

Pediatrics

June 2018, VOLUME 141 / ISSUE 6 http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/141/6?current-issue=y Articles

Hospital-Based Quality Measures for Pediatric Mental Health Care

Naomi S. Bardach, Q Burkhart, Laura P. Richardson, Carol P. Roth, J. Michael Murphy, Layla Parast, Courtney A. Gidengil, Jordan Marmet, Maria T. Britto, Rita Mangione-Smith Pediatrics Jun 2018, 141 (6) e20173554; DOI: 10.1542/peds.2017-3554

The results of development and field testing of 8 new quality measures used to assess delivery of pediatric mental health care in the hospital setting (ED and inpatient).

PharmacoEconomics

Volume 36, Issue 6, June 2018 https://link.springer.com/journal/40273/36/6/page/1 [Reviewed earlier]

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http://www.plosntds.org/ (Accessed 2 Jun 2018) [No new digest content identified]

PLoS One

http://www.plosone.org/ [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] Research Article

<u>An evaluation of emergency guidelines issued by the World Health Organization in</u> response to four infectious disease outbreaks

Susan L. Norris, Veronica Ivey Sawin, Mauricio Ferri, Laura Raques Sastre, Teegwendé V. Porgo | published 30 May 2018 PLOS ONE

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Abstract Background

The production of high-quality guidelines in response to public health emergencies poses challenges for the World Health Organization (WHO). The urgent need for guidance and the paucity of structured scientific data on emerging diseases hinder the formulation of evidence-informed recommendations using standard methods and procedures. Objectives

In the context of the response to recent public health emergencies, this project aimed to describe the information products produced by WHO and assess the quality and trustworthiness of a subset of these products classified as guidelines.

Methods

We selected four recent infectious disease emergencies: outbreaks of avian influenza A—H1N1 virus (2009) and H7N9 virus (2013), Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) (2013), and Ebola virus disease (EVD) (2014 to 2016). We analyzed the development and publication processes and evaluated the quality of emergency guidelines using AGREE-II. Results

We included 175 information products of which 87 were guidelines. These products demonstrated variable adherence to WHO publication requirements including the listing of external contributors, management of declarations of interest, and entry into WHO's public database of publications. For guidelines, the methods for development were incompletely reported; WHO's quality assurance process was rarely used; systematic or other evidence reviews were infrequently referenced; external peer review was not performed; and they scored poorly with AGREE II, particularly for rigour of development and editorial independence. Conclusions

Our study suggests that WHO guidelines produced in the context of a public health emergency can be improved upon, helping to assure the trustworthiness and utility of WHO information products in future emergencies.

PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

http://www.pnas.org/content/early/

[Accessed 2 Jun 2018]

Mapping an ancient city with a century of remotely sensed data

David Stott, Søren Munch Kristiansen, Achim Lichtenberger, and Rubina Raja PNAS May 29, 2018. 201721509; published ahead of print May 29, 2018.

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Significance

Understanding how people in the past adapted to environmental and economic challenges can help us anticipate and meet these challenges in the present. However, these very processes threaten the physical remains embodying this information worldwide: Urban expansion and resource exploitation mean that the quantity and quality of archaeological information are diminishing daily. In this work, we demonstrate how multitemporal aerial photography and modern airborne laser scanning are invaluable tools for mapping the remaining archaeological features extant in the present and for adding context to them from what has been lost. This knowledge enables cultural heritage administrators and archaeologists to actively monitor, understand, and manage the existing remains to make sure important information is not lost to posterity.

Abstract

The rapidly growing global population places cultural heritage at great risk, and the encroachment of modern settlement on archaeological sites means that valuable information about how past societies worked and interacted with the environment is lost. To manage and mitigate these risks, we require knowledge about what has been lost and what remains, so we can actively decide what should be investigated and what should be preserved for the future.

Remote sensing provides archaeologists with some of the tools we need to do this. In this paper we explore the application of multitemporal, multisensor data to map features and chart the impacts of urban encroachment on the ancient city of Jerash (in modern Jordan) by combining archives of aerial photography dating back to 1917 with state-of-the-art airborne laser scanning. The combined results revealed details of the water distribution system and the ancient city plan. This demonstrates that by combining historical images with modern aerial and ground-based data we can successfully detect and contextualize these features and thus achieve a better understanding of life in a city in the past. These methods are essential, given that much of the ancient city has been lost to modern development and the historical imagery is often our only source of information.

Prehospital & Disaster Medicine

Volume 33 - Issue 2 - April 2018

https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/prehospital-and-disaster-medicine/latest-issue Editorial

WADEM Position Statement: Accurate Reporting of Public Health Information

Board of Directors, WADEM - World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine

Original Research

Skills and Core Competencies of Pharmacists in Humanitarian Assistance

Hamaspyur Vardanyan, Gabriela Bittencourt Gonzalez Mosegui, Elaine Silva Miranda

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<u>Analysis of Medical Responses in Mass Gatherings: The Commemoration Ceremonies for the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Gallipoli</u>

<u>Hüseyin Koçak</u>, <u>Cüneyt Çalışkan</u>, <u>Mehmet Şerafettin Sönmezler</u>, <u>Kenan Eliuz</u>, <u>Fatih Küçükdurmaz</u>

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Defining Disaster-Related Health Risk: A Primer for Prevention

Mark Keim

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Mark Keim

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Mark Keim

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Volume 110 Pages 1-116 (May 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/preventive-medicine/vol/110/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

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Public Health

June 2018 Volume 159, p1-156 http://www.publichealthjrnl.com/current Short Communications

<u>Operationalizing outcome measures of human papillomavirus vaccination among adolescents</u>

C. Odoh, M. Sanderson, E.A. Williams, P.C. Hull p129–132

Published online: March 30, 2018

Highlights

- :: Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination is considered on time when given at ages 11 or 12 years.
- :: HPV vaccine initiation can be measured at any age or before the 13th birthday.
- :: This methodological article compared these two operationalizations of initiation.
- :: The age effect and gender differences differed between the two initiation measures.
- :: Researchers should consider including on-time HPV vaccination as an outcome.

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Qualitative Health Research

Volume 28, Issue 7, June 2018 http://qhr.sagepub.com/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Refugee Survey Quarterly

Volume 37, Issue 2, 1 June 2018 http://rsq.oxfordjournals.org/content/current Articles

<u>China and the International Refugee Protection Regime: Past, Present, and Potentials</u>

Lili Sonq

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Refugee Resettlement as an Alternative to Asylum

Naoko Hashimoto

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<u>Accountability, Dependency, and EU Agencies: The Hotspot Approach in the Refugee</u> Crisis

Satoko Horii

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Volume 14, Issue 1, Jan - Mar 2018 http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/reab/current [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 10, 2017

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Science

01 June 2018 Vol 360, Issue 6392 http://www.sciencemag.org/current.dtl Policy Forum

Student-centered, modernized graduate STEM education

By Alan I. Leshner

Science01 Jun 2018 : 969-970 Restricted Access Rebalance incentives to promote culture change Summary

The U.S. graduate education system for science technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) is widely regarded as among the best in the world. However, evolution in the structure and functioning of the U.S. graduate education system is lagging ongoing changes in the broader scientific enterprise, in the requirements of employers, in the demographics of the student population, and, particularly, in their career ambitions. In response to these disconnects, the U.S. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) recently released a report (1) that lays out a vision of an ideal modern graduate education in any STEM field and a comprehensive plan to achieve that vision. The report emphasizes core competencies that all students should acquire, a rebalancing of incentives to better reward faculty teaching and mentoring of students, increased empowerment of graduate students, and the need for the system to better monitor and adapt to changing conditions over time. Although these issues have been raised in the past, and some institutions have taken positive steps, graduate students are still too often seen as being primarily sources of inexpensive skilled labor for teaching undergraduates and for performing research. Graduate students should demand the kind of education outlined in the report.

Social Science & Medicine

Volume 206 Pages 1-122 (June 2018) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/social-science-and-medicine/vol/206/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

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http://www.stabilityjournal.org/articles [Accessed 2 Jun 2018] [Reviewed earlier]

Stanford Social Innovation Review

Spring 2018 Volume 16, Number 2 https://ssir.org/issue/spring 2018

When the founder and long-time leader of an organization is replaced by someone new, it's generally thought that the founder should make a complete break so that there isn't any confusion about who is in control. But recent research by The Bridgespan Group suggests that in the nonprofit world that may not be the best approach.

Philanthropy & Funding

The Civic Science Imperative

By Elizabeth Good Christopherson, Dietram A. Scheufele & Brooke Smith

Philanthropy has a vital role to play in building a culture of "civic science," in which scientists take active roles as citizens and citizens engage with scientific research.

Sustainability

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Research

<u>Predictors of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection in primary care among</u> adults living in developed countries: a systematic review

Early diagnosis of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is important because antiretroviral therapies are more effective if infected individuals are diagnosed early. Diagnosis of HIV relies on laboratory testing...

Authors: Benhildah N. Rumbwere Dube, Tom P. Marshall, Ronan P. Ryan and Modupe Omonijo

Citation: Systematic Reviews 2018 7:82

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Volume 28 - Issue No. 1 https://irct.org/publications/torture-journal/141 [Reviewed earlier]

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

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March-April, 2018 Volume 22 http://www.travelmedicinejournal.com/ [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 23, Issue 5 Pages: i-iv, 447-579 May 2018 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13653156/current [Reviewed earlier]

UN Chronicle

Vol. LV No. 1 2018 March 2018 http://unchronicle.un.org/ The Ouest for Water

"The Quest for Water" focuses on ensuring availability and sustainable management of water for all. The articles explore important issues such as ecosystems in the global water cycle and the role of gender and social inclusion in achieving the water-related goals and targets. This issue of the digital magazine of the UN system "buoys" the launch of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Sustainable Development"

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care Volume 13, Issue 2, 2018

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World Heritage Review

http://whc.unesco.org/en/review/84/ n°86 - March 2018 World Heritage and Reconstruction

[Reviewed earlier]

World Journal of Emergency Medicine

2018 - Vol. 9 - No 2 June 2018 http://wjem.org/journal/current [Reviewed earlier]

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