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Period ending 13 April 2019

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

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:: Week in Review

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

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<u>Secretary-General, at Annual Youth Forum, Says Young People Must Be Partners in Decision-Making, Development to Do What Is Right for Humankind, Planet SG/SM/19540-ECOSOC/6969</u>

9 April 2019

Following are UN Secretary-General António Guterres' remarks at the eighth annual Economic and Social Council Youth Forum, in New York today:

[Excerpts]

Good afternoon to all of you. I am delighted to see so many participants at this eighth annual Economic and Social Council Youth Forum — all committed to ensuring that the youth of today and tomorrow are empowered, included and equal....

Right now, our world is faced with a myriad of tests: a climate crisis; protracted conflicts; unsustainable levels of youth unemployment; growing disparities between rich and poor; a clampdown on dissent; and strong opposition to our march for gender equality. Unless we face our social, economic and environmental challenges head-on, we will not achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and the world will not be better. Many lives will be lost and the once-in-a-generation opportunity we have to end poverty and bring lasting prosperity for all on a healthy planet will have been squandered.

Each of these challenges has one common denominator — **the need for those in power to live up to their responsibilities; to do what is right for people and planet alike**. That is why I am so pleased to see so many committed young people with us here today. I know you are not a homogenous group and young people are not immune to engaging in the negative trends in our societies. But more often than not, young people in our world today are a lightning rod for change.

You show the courage and persistence that is often lacking among older generations. And you can imagine that I know a little bit about older generations. Because it is your future, your livelihoods, your freedom, your security, your environment, you do not and you must not take no for an answer. In the United Nations, you have a partner that will accompany you on this journey towards a more peaceful, just and prosperous world.

Last September, we launched the United Nations Youth Strategy — and through my Youth Envoy, that is here on my right-hand side, with young people and with partners across the United Nations system, we are working hard to translate that Strategy's promise into tangible change. With this strategy, we aim to ensure the Organization responds better to the needs of young people but especially that we include your contributions to making the Sustainable Development Goals a reality for all. We also aim

to increase action to address the needs, build the agency and advance the rights of youth around the world in all its diversity...

Today, young people face high unemployment rates and a prevalent sense of disenfranchisement. Sixty-four million young people are unemployed. Some 145 million young workers live in poverty. And some 617 million youth worldwide lack basic mathematics and literacy skills. Young women in particular are too often discriminated against, from health to education, from access to the labour force and access to financing. In some regions, for example, female youth unemployment is almost double that of men.

If we are to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, governments, civil society and international partners must scale up their investment in young people — ensuring they are educated, empowered and employed. And we must respond quickly to the challenges that the Fourth Industrial Revolution is presenting — the loss of jobs for many; the demand for new and relevant skills; and the potential weakening of the social contract.

To make sure our work is relevant and effective, we need your ideas, your energy and your creativity. Around the world, young people are striving for peace, justice, inclusion, gender equality and human rights. Last month we saw hundreds of thousands of young people marching for climate action. I count on you to keep up the pressure as we move towards my Climate Action Summit this year and the crucial climate talks next year.

You are also critical to efforts to address hate speech and promote intercultural and interfaith understanding and tolerance. Last week, I was in Tunisia, where I met with students and youth representatives. Two thirds of the Arab world's people are under the age of 30. Harnessing the dynamism of young people, like the students I met in Tunis, is key to that region's future. Engaging youth globally is essential for the well-being of the entire world. We need your insights and partnership as we work for a better future for all.

This September, world leaders will meet in New York for a series of meetings aimed at catalysing greater ambition, leadership and action to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda. The key messages and outcomes of your discussions this week will be shared with decision makers and policymakers in those meetings.

But that is not enough. We need you to mobilize. We need you to activate your networks. We need you to engage in the youth-focused events leading up to September, including Youth Day before the Climate Action Summit. I also recommend your contribution to the 2019 World Conference of Ministers Responsible for Youth, in Lisbon, in June.

Above all, we need you to both be the change we need and to push world leaders — in governments, in cities, in the private sector — to step up their ambition and to meet their responsibilities; to do what is right for people and planet alike.

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Afghanistan

ICC judges reject opening of an investigation regarding Afghanistan situation

Press Release: 12 April 2019

Today, 12 April 2019, Pre-Trial Chamber II of the International Criminal Court (ICC) rejected unanimously the request of the Prosecutor to proceed with an investigation for alleged crimes against humanity and war crimes, on the territory of in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The judges decided that an investigation into the situation in Afghanistan at this stage would not serve the interests of justice. The Chamber is composed of Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua, who will be appending a concurring separate opinion, Judge Tomoko Akane and Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala...

<u>Statement of the Office of the Prosecutor following the decision of Pre-Trial Chamber II concerning the Situation in Afghanistan</u>

Statement: 12 April 2019

The Prosecutor and her Office have carefully studied the decision of Pre-Trial Chamber II delivered earlier today rejecting the request to authorise an investigation into the situation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

The Office of the Prosecutor notes that the Judges of Pre-Trial Chamber II are satisfied that there is a reasonable basis to believe that crimes under the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court have been committed in Afghanistan, and that the requirements of gravity and complementarity have been met. The Pre-Trial Chamber then refused to <u>authorise</u> an investigation on its assessment of the interests of justice. The Office will further analyse the decision and its implications, and consider all available legal remedies...

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State of World Population 2019

UNFINISHED BUSINESS the pursuit of rights and choices FOR ALL

UNFPA, 2019 :: 180 pages

PDF: https://www.unfpa.org/publications/state-world-population-2019

Press Release

World must work harder to secure sexual and reproductive rights for all, says new UNFPA report

UNITED NATIONS, New York, 10 April 2019—The global reproductive rights movement that began in the 1960s transformed the lives of hundreds of millions of women, empowering them to govern their own bodies and shape their own futures. But despite the gains made over the past 50 years, since the establishment of UNFPA, the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency, the world still has a long way to go before rights and choices are claimed by all, according to the State of World Population 2019, released by UNFPA today.

On the journey towards rights and choices, women and girls have faced social and economic barriers every step of the way. A coalition of civil society, activists, and organizations such as UNFPA have been helping tear down those barriers.

The efforts of the reproductive rights movements have dramatically reduced the number of unintended pregnancies and maternal deaths, and have cleared the way for healthier, more productive lives for untold millions, the new UNFPA report says.

The report traces advances in reproductive health on the anniversaries of two important milestones. It has been 50 years since UNFPA began operations in 1969 as the first United Nations agency to address population growth and reproductive health needs. It is also the 25th anniversary of the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), where 179 governments called for all people to have access to comprehensive reproductive health care, including voluntary family planning, and safe pregnancy and childbirth services.

Much has been achieved since 1969, says the report. The average number of births per woman was 4.8 then, compared to 2.9 in 1994 and 2.5 today; fertility rate in the least developed countries dropped from 6.8 in 1969, to 5.6 in 1994 and 3.9 in 2019; and the number of women who died from pregnancy-related causes has decreased from 369 per 100,000 live births in 1994, to 216 in 2015. In addition, 24 per cent of women used modern contraceptives in 1969, compared to 52 per cent in 1994 and 58 per cent in 2019.

However, reproductive rights are still out of reach for too many women, including the more than 200 million women who want to prevent a pregnancy but cannot access modern contraceptive information and services.

"Despite the increasing availability of contraceptives over the years, hundreds of millions of women today still have no access to them, and to the reproductive choices that come with them," said UNFPA Executive Director Dr. Natalia Kanem. "Without access, they lack the power to make decisions about their own bodies, including whether or when to become pregnant."

"The lack of this power—which influences so many other facets of life, from education to income to safety—leaves women unable to shape their own futures," added Dr. Kanem.

The report includes, for the first time, data on women's ability to make decisions over three key areas: sexual intercourse with their partner, contraception use and health care. Across the 51 countries where this information is available, only 57 per cent of women who are married or in a relationship are able to make their own choices over all three of these areas.

"I call on world leaders to re-commit to the promises made in Cairo 25 years ago to ensure sexual and reproductive health and rights for all," said Dr. Kanem. "The world will have a historic opportunity to complete the unfinished business of the ICPD at the <u>Nairobi Summit on ICPD25</u> to be held in Kenya in November, where governments, activists and stakeholders will rally to protect the gains made so far, and fulfill the promise of the ICPD agenda, so that no one is left behind."...

Facts and figures from the report:

- :: Number of deaths of women from pregnancy-related causes per 100,000 live births, worldwide: 369 in 1994; 216 in 2015.
 - :: Global modern contraceptive prevalence rate: 24 in 1969; 52 in 1994; 58 in 2019.
 - :: Global fertility rate, or average number of births per woman: 4.8 in 1969; 2.9 in 1994; 2.5 in 2019.
- :: The highest unmet needs for sexual and reproductive health services are among marginalized groups, including minority ethnic groups; young people; unmarried people; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people; people with disabilities; and the rural and urban poor.
 - :: An estimated 800 million women alive today were married when they were children.

:: Every day, more than	500 women and	girls in countries	s with emergency	settings die during
pregnancy and childbirth				

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SDGs – Development Finance

<u>Drive to mobilise 'trillions' through private finance for development 'completely unrealistic'</u> – new ODI research

Press release | 10 April 2019

New report on blended finance finds policy makers have unrealistic expectations about how much private money can be mobilized.

The drive to use aid and other public funds to mobilise trillions of dollars of private investment in developing countries is well off target, new research from the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) has found.

A major new report on the use of blended finance, the term used when public-sector development funds are used to encourage private investments in poorer countries, has found policy makers have unrealistic expectations about how much private money can be mobilised. It also reveals private investment is heavily concentrated in middle-income countries (MICs), with very little going to low-income countries (LICs).

The report, 'Blended finance in the poorest countries: the need for a better approach', finds that for every \$1 of public money invested in this way mobilises just \$0.37 of private finance in LICs and just \$0.75 in all developing countries.

The report finds only 1% of the total private finance mobilised by the UK government, including through the CDC Group, the UK government's DFI, was mobilised in the poorest countries during the period 2012 to 2015.

Lead author Samantha Attridge, Senior Research Fellow at ODI, said: 'Our research shows that an urgent reality check on blended finance is needed. The current approach is not leveraging significant amounts of private investment overall and very little for low-income countries. The "billions to trillions" mantra is completely unrealistic without significant changes to the system.

'Donors and development finance institutions (DFIs) need to make urgent changes to their business models and risk appetites to get anywhere near the amounts required to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

'They also need to focus more on supporting developing country governments to build a more conducive investment climate for investable companies and projects. Until they do that, aid spent on blended finance risks diverting much needed resources away from the poorest countries."...

Research reports and studies

Blended finance in the poorest countries: the need for a better approach

| April 2019 | Samantha Attridge and Lars Engen

The need to mobilise private finance is at the heart of international discussions on how to finance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and move the needle from 'billions' of dollars in development aid to 'trillions' of dollars in investment.

With an estimated SDG financing gap of \$2.5 trillion a year in developing countries alone, the international development community is placing an increasing emphasis on blended finance. This report aims to provide hard evidence to inform the discussion on the role of blended finance in plugging the SDG financing gap in developing countries.

We found that:

- :: Expectations that blended finance can bridge the SDG financing gap are unrealistic: 'billions-to-billions' is more plausible than 'billions to trillions'.
- :: The big push on blended finance risks undermining the poverty eradication agenda in the poorest countries.
- :: Policy-makers need a better understanding of the poverty and development impact of blended finance, as well as its true costs, to ensure value for money and effective policy-making and allocation of aid.
- :: Multilateral development banks and development finance institutions need to collectively adopt a more distinct and tailored approach to blended finance in low-income countries.

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Featured Journal Content

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 60 March 2019

https://www.fmreview.org/GuidingPrinciples20/contents

Special Issue Theme: Education: needs, rights and access in displacement

Education is one of the most important aspects of our lives – vital to our development, our understanding and our personal and professional fulfilment throughout life. In times of crisis, however, millions of displaced young people miss out on months or years of education, and this is damaging to them and their families, as well as to their societies, both in the short and long term. This issue of FMR includes 29 articles on Education, and two 'general' articles.

Foreword: Education – a humanitarian and development imperative

Manuel Bessler

For far too long, donors and the international community have neglected education in humanitarian response. Switzerland was no exception. Food, water, health and shelter were the usual priorities during emergencies, while education was considered more of a long-term objective to be tackled by national governments and development agencies once a crisis was over.

However, we were wrong. We simply ignored the families' tendencies to see their children's education – often interrupted or absent – as a priority need in displacement. We were not sufficiently aware of education's life-sustaining and protective role during conflict and crisis. We underestimated the impact education can have on peaceful coexistence and misjudged the social and economic consequences of the lack of education during displacement for both host and home countries...

This edition of Forced Migration Review is timely and necessary. In a time of unprecedented displacement, rising hostilities and an increase in protracted conflicts, it is important to recall what is at stake if displaced girls and boys are prevented from going to school. Education is the most powerful means of breaking cycles of vulnerability and poverty, and without education there can be no sustainable development. The young displaced generation has enormous potential for contributing to society. However, greater international commitment is needed to support countries dealing with rising population movements. Eighty-five per cent of refugees live in developing countries that already struggle with over-stretched education systems. We need to provide assistance to countries to ensure that displaced children can access local schools. We need to provide support to national education ministries, teachers and parents so that both displaced and host-community children can learn and grow up in safe, child-friendly environments. We need to find creative solutions to enable children and youth who have missed out on learning to catch up. All this requires the joint action of the humanitarian and development communities, NGOs, multi- and bilateral agencies and the private sector. Switzerland calls on others to follow suit by prioritising education in policy making, funding and action on the ground. The provision of education for displaced children and youth is both an immediate emergency response and an effective way to work towards durable solutions during protracted displacement.

[29 articles on this theme included in this issue]
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Knowledge Platforms

UNESCO - <u>Launch of the Global Alliance of Open Access Scholarly Communication Platforms to democratize knowledge</u>

12 April 2019

A new momentum is emerging in the dissemination of scientific knowledge worldwide.

In Inclusive Knowledge Societies, people have ready access to information and communications resources, in languages and formats that suit them, and possess the skills to interpret and make use of them. Within this framework, promoting access to scientific scholarship (in the broadest sense) has remained a central challenge to most Member States. UNESCO, with its partners, continues to pursue this objective through its programmes on Open Science and Open Access as well as in partnership with other key actors .

At a session organized by <u>UNESCO</u> on 8th April at the WSIS Forum 2019 in Geneva, coordinators of six platforms – AmeliCA, AJOL, <u>Érudi</u>, <u>J-STAGE</u>, <u>OpenEdition</u>, and <u>SciELO</u> Network agreed to join forces to democratize scientific knowledge following a multicultural, multi-thematic and multi-lingual approach. The Global Alliance of Open Access Scholarly Communication Platforms (GLOALL) was launched with a recognition of the principle that scientific and scholarly knowledge is a global public good essential for the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The session directly addressed WSIS action line C3 on Access to Information and Knowledge and action line C7 on E-Science.

In addition to fostering democratization of knowledge generated in ALL places, subjects and languages, the GLOALL carries a vision to promote the development of multilingual scholarly communication

standards, products and services. The alliance seeks to enhance operational and subject interoperability in order to strengthen engagement with research worldwide...

In the shorter term, GLOALL will generate a unified vision for the alliance based on mutual trust; share experience, technology and know-how that can enhance and foster the development of tools, contents and practices for inclusive Open Access. It will work to improve interoperability among platforms and address language barriers for the knowledge uptake. It will also work together to curate content that addresses SDGs.

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Humanitarian Response - Vaccines

Humanitarian mechanism for vaccines used for first time in Europe to counter high prices -

- :: A new humanitarian mechanism for vaccines has been used for the first time in Europe, allowing MSF to vaccinate refugee children in Greece at an affordable price.
- :: Children were vaccinated with the pnemococcal conjugate vaccine, which is usually prohibitively expensive in Europe.
- :: We urge for more vaccines to be included in the humanitarian mechanism, allowing children to be protected against more diseases.

Press Release 12 April 2019 Athens — Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) has started vaccinating refugee children on the Greek islands of Chios, Samos and Lesvos using a programme set up to allow children in humanitarian emergencies to access the pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) at an affordable price.

This marks the first time the 'Humanitarian Mechanism' is used in a high-income country—the programme offers the vaccine at a special reduced price of about US\$9 per child (for the three doses needed for full immunisation) for humanitarian use by civil society organisations and UN agencies. Pneumonia remains the single largest killer of children under five worldwide, and children living in precarious conditions—including those in refugee camps—are at particularly high risk.

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Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 10 April 2019

- :: The report by the Director-General World Health Organization on the eradication of poliomyelitis is online, ahead of the 72nd World Health Assembly scheduled for May 2019. The report summarizes the remaining challenges to a polio-free world and presents the main elements of the new GPEI Polio-Endgame Strategy 2019-2023.
- :: An Independent Outbreak Response Assessment (OBRA) took place in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo on 5 April 2019. The OBRA was carried out to evaluate the quality of the response to the VDPV2 epidemic in the DRC and make the necessary recommendations to interrupt the transmission as soon as possible.

:: The Inaugural WHO Partners Forum convened in Stockholm, Sweden between 8-11 April 2019 with an aim to start a series of conversations with partners to help WHO meet the strategic goals as committed in the Thirteenth General Programme of Work (GPW13) for 2019-2023. The two-day meeting highlighted WHO's impact on global health, encouraged support from WHO partners to enhance the quality and quantity of resources, and take stock of the innovations and lessons learned to strengthen partnerships and financing activities. Read more here.

Summary of new viruses this week:

:: **Pakistan** – four WPV1-positive environmental samples

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Editor's Note:

WHO has posted a <u>refreshed emergencies page</u> which presents an updated listing of Grade 3,2,1 emergencies as below.

WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 13 Apr 2019]

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis

:: Bi-weekly Situation Report 6 - 2 April 2019 pdf, 734kb

Cyclone Idai

:: <u>Fast rollout of cholera vaccines for people in need in Mozambique</u> 10 April 2019, Maputo [See Milestones above for detail]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

- :: <u>Statement on the meeting of the International Health Regulations (2005) Emergency Committee for</u> Ebola virus disease in the Democratic Republic of the Congo on 12th April 2019
- 12 April 2019 Statement Geneva
- :: 36: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu 9 April 2019
- :: DONs <u>Ebola virus disease Democratic Republic of the Congo</u> 11 April 2019 [See Ebola above for detail]

South Sudan

:: The Ministry of Health with support from WHO and partners investigates a cluster of unexplained deaths in Jie payam, Kapoeta East 8 April 2019

Myanmar - No new digest announcements identified

Nigeria - No new digest announcements identified

Somalia - No new digest announcements identified

Syrian Arab Republic - No new digest announcements identified

Yemen - No new digest announcements identified

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 13 Apr 2019]

Brazil (in Portugese)

:: <u>Brasil lança campanha de vacinação contra a influenza</u> 10 de abril de 2019

Cameroon

:: <u>As internally displaced persons reach nearly 1 million in Ethiopia, WHO reinforces medical supplies</u> 8 April 2019

Iraq

:: WHO sends shipment of kits and medical supplies to Missan governorate Baghdad 8 April 2019 – Responding to the needs of the Directorate of Health in Missan following the recent floods that hit the area, WHO, with the generous support of donors, sent a large consignment of emergency kits and medical supplies on 4 April to support the Directorate, 304 kilometres south east of Baghdad...

Libya

:: <u>Amid Tripoli clashes, WHO rushes medical aid to the wounded in Libya</u> Tripoli, 11 April – As clashes around Tripoli continued and the number of wounded rose to the hundreds, WHO reacted swiftly to provide field hospitals and ambulances with critically-needed life saving supplies.

occupied Palestinian territory

:: <u>Mobile clinic brings mammography services to remote communities in the West Bank</u>
April 2019

<u>Sudan</u>

:: Sudan prepares to vaccinate over 11 million children against measles and polio 8 April 2019

<u>Central African Republic</u> - No new digest announcements identified

Ethiopia - No new digest announcements identified

MERS-CoV - No new digest announcements identified

Niger - No new digest announcements identified

<u>Ukraine</u> - No new digest announcements identified

Zimbabwe - No new digest announcements identified

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WHO Grade 1 Emergencies [to 13 Apr 2019]

Afghanistan - No new digest announcements identified

Chad - No new digest announcements identified

Indonesia - Sulawesi earthquake 2018 - No new digest announcements identified

Kenya - No new digest announcements identified

Lao People's Democratic Republic - No new digest announcements identified

Mali - No new digest announcements identified

Namibia - viral hepatitis - No new digest announcements identified

Peru - No new digest announcements identified

Philippines - Tyhpoon Mangkhut - No new digest announcements identified

<u>Tanzania</u> - No new digest announcements identified

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WHO AFRO - Outbreaks and Emergencies Bulletin Week 14: 01-07 April 2019

The WHO Health Emergencies Programme is currently monitoring 65 events in the region. This week's edition covers key new and ongoing events, including:

- :: Ebola virus disease outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- :: Cyclone Idai in Southern Africa (Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi)
- :: Humanitarian crisis in Cameroon
- :: Humanitarian crisis in Ethiopia.

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UN OCHA – L3 Emergencies

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

<u>Syrian Arab Republic</u> - *No new digest announcements identified* Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified*

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UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies

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

CYCLONE IDAI

:: 12 April 2019 <u>Mozambique: Cyclone Idai & Floods Situation Report No. 10</u> :: 12 April 2019 <u>Zimbabwe: Floods Situation Report No. 2, As of 10 April 2019</u> :: 10 April 2019 <u>Southern Africa: Cyclone Idai Snapshot (as of 9 April 2019)</u>

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Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 13 Apr 2019]

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

10 April 2019

GA/12135

<u>President Stresses Central Role of Decent Work in Fighting Poverty, Inequality, as General Assembly Marks International Labour Organization Centenary</u>

With millions at risk of losing their job to automation amid increasing global inequality, policies ensuring decent work and protection from exploitation are more critical than ever, the General Assembly heard today, as it commemorated the 100th anniversary of the founding of the International Labour Organization (ILO).

0 April 2019 SC/13771

<u>Briefers Paint Dire Picture of Venezuela, Describing Worsening Situation There as Unparalleled in Latin America's Modern History</u>

The situation in Venezuela is worsening, with an estimated 7 million of its people — or a quarter of its total population — needing assistance, humanitarian officials said today as the Security Council took up the crisis for the fourth time in as many months, debating whether it constitutes a threat to international peace and security.

9 April 2019 SC/13770

<u>Efforts to Tackle Global Displacement Crisis 'Fragmented', Refugee Agency Chief Tells Security Council, Saying They Address Mere Symptoms, Not Root Causes</u>

With the ongoing displacement of nearly 70 million people around the world driven mostly by conflict, the Security Council has a crucial role to play in resolving the resultant global crisis, the head of the United Nations refugee agency said as he briefed the 15-member organ today.

9 April 2019

SG/SM/19540-ECOSOC/6969

<u>Secretary-General, at Annual Youth Forum, Says Young People Must Be Partners in Decision-Making, Development to Do What Is Right for Humankind, Planet</u>

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 13 Apr 2019] http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true *Top News*

Bachelet urges Sudan authorities to protect human rights and rule of law

Sudan: UN experts condemn excessive use of force at protests

<u>Statement of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, on her visit</u> to Mexico

UN torture prevention body concludes visit to Sri Lanka

France's housing and homelessness crisis eclipses its commitment to human rights

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR COUNCIL No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRC/Pages/CRCIndex.aspx Latest News 12 April 2019

As child rights protocol turns five years old, UN experts urge wider ratification

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx 12 April 2019

As child rights protocol turns five years old, UN experts urge wider ratification

9 April 2019

Bulgaria: tackling the root causes and protecting the most marginalised is key, underlines UN human rights expert

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/media/press-releases/ No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx 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 13 Apr 2019]

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

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/culturalrights/pages/srculturalrightsindex.aspx No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx No new digest content identified.

UN OCHA [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases [as presented on webpage]

12 April 2019

Emergency Response Fund releases US\$26.5 million for life-sa ... [Sudan]

13 April 2019

<u>UN's Global Emergency Response Fund releases record allocation of US\$125 million for world's underfunded crises</u>

11 April 2019

UN Humanitarian Coordinator in Nigeria calls on government t...

08 April 2019

Tens of civilians wounded and killed in Sana'a [EN/AR]

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://centre.humdata.org/

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Press release

More than 3,500 children have been recruited and used by non-state armed groups in northeast Nigeria since 2013

Marking five years since Chibok abduction, UNICEF urges protection of children's rights 12/04/2019

Statement

North Sinai attack reportedly kills two children

Statement by Geert Cappelaere, UNICEF Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa 10/04/2019

Statement

Nearly half a million children in Tripoli at immediate risk

Statement by Abdel-Rahman Ghandour, UNICEF Special Representative in Libya 09/04/2019

Press release

Blast in Sana'a kills another 14 children in school and injures 16, most under the age of nine

Statement from Geert Cappelaere, UNICEF Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa 09/04/2019

Press release

175 million children are not enrolled in pre-primary education – UNICEF

UNICEF's first-ever global report dedicated to early childhood education highlights a lack of investment in pre-primary by the majority of governments worldwide 08/04/2019

Press release

World Bank and UNICEF partner to promote education, skills and training for young people

World Bank to invest \$1 billion to boost job prospects for young people in alignment with Generation Unlimited 09/04/2019

Press release

Climate change threatens lives and futures of over 19 million children in Bangladesh

UNICEF report calls for urgent action to keep children safe and mitigate impact on vital services

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 13 Apr 2019] http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html

Briefina notes

UNHCR alarmed at upsurge in violence in south-east Niger 9 Apr 2019

Press releases and news comments

<u>UNHCR issues urgent appeal for release and evacuation of detained refugees caught in</u>
<u>Libyan crossfire</u> 12 Apr 2019

IOM, UNHCR, UNICEF: The 62 rescued refugees and migrants on board the Alan Kurdi should be disembarked safely as quickly as possible 11 Apr 2019

Amid Libya clashes, UNHCR relocates detained refugees to safety 9 Apr 2019

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected Announcements

<u>Security and Services Essential for Safe, Durable Return of Displaced Communities in South Sudan</u>

2019-04-12 16:15

Juba – Eight months after the signing of the revitalized peace agreement in South Sudan, some communities uprooted from their homes are on the verge of going home.

Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 12.546 in 2019; Deaths Reach 407

2019-04-12 16:00

Geneva – IOM, the UN Migration Agency, reports that 12,546 migrants and refugees have entered Europe by sea through10 April, a 22% decrease from the 16,218 arriving during the same period last year.

UN Emergency Funding to Bolster Ebola Response Preparedness in Uganda

2019-04-09 15:30

Kisoro – Preparation and putting in place measures and strategies ahead of time to mitigate the spread of a health risk once it has been identified are the keys to preventing an outbreak of disease from becoming a pandemic.

IOM Addresses Migration Health Policy Coherence at the United Nations Commission on Population and Development

2019-04-08 15:11

New York – Evidence-informed discussions that promote the health of migrants and address the determinants of health — including migration — are needed to better inform policy decisions on migration and health at national and global levels.

UNAIDS [to 13 Apr 2019]
http://www.unaids.org/en
Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements
12 April 2019
Malawi launches its health situation room

11 April 2019

Scaling up stigma-free services for women in Egypt

8 April 2019

Burkina Faso piloting PrEP

8 April 2019

HIV: a heavy burden on many cities

WHO & Regional Offices [to 13 Apr 2019]

9 April 2019 News release

Inaugural WHO Partners Forum launches new push for collaboration on global health

To meet the world's most pressing health challenges, WHO, governments and global health leaders today called for improved partnerships and resourcing to support WHO's mission to deliver care, services and protection for billions of people by 2023.

The inaugural two-day WHO Partners Forum opens Tuesday (9 April) in Stockholm and will be cohosted with the Government of Sweden.

The meeting will result in a shared understanding of how to strengthen partnerships and improve effective financing of WHO, with an emphasis on predictability and flexibility.

...Other participants in the Inaugural WHO Partners Forum include leadership of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance.

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WHO Regional Offices
Selected Press Releases, Announcements
WHO African Region AFRO

- :: WHO and partners successfully vaccinate over 400,000 children against Measles in Borno State Target 838,582 children more. 12 April 2019
- :: Ghana announces the roll out of Malaria Vaccine Implementation Programme (MVIP) 11 April 2019
- :: Mauritius launched its Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme for 2019 11 April 2019
- :: Fast rollout of cholera vaccines for people in need in Mozambique 10 April 2019

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: PHC 30-30-30, PAHO's new Regional Compact on Primary Health Care for Universal Health (04/11/2019)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: Quality primary care key to advancing universal health coverage: WHO SEAR/PR/1709

New Delhi, 5 April 2019: The World Health Organization today said quality healthcare services for people at the community level across all age groups, wherever they live and whenever they need them, without financial hardship, is fundamental to advancing universal health coverage for achieving health and well-being of evryone, everywhere...

WHO European Region EURO

- :: <u>Ukraine's Affordable Medicines Programme shown to have significantly improved access to medicines</u> 12-04-2019
- :: Member States urged to ramp up fight against noncommunicable diseases 12-04-2019
- :: <u>Small countries of the WHO European Region exchange ideas and experiences of equity, sustainable</u> development 09-04-2019
- :: WHO urges stronger action to reduce deaths from noncommunicable diseases in Europe by one third 09-04-2019

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

- :: WHO Regional Director expresses solidarity with flood victims in Islamic Republic of Iran April 11, 2019
- :: WHO sends medical aid to Libya amid clashes in Tripoli 11 April 2019
- :: Polio vaccination campaign to vaccinate more than 6 million children in Iraq 11 April 2019
- :: WHO airlifts medical supplies for flood response in Islamic Republic of Iran 10 April 2019

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2019/ No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Press Release

World must work harder to secure sexual and reproductive rights for all, says new UNFPA report

UNITED NATIONS, New York, 10 April 2019—The global reproductive rights movement that began in the 1960s transformed the lives of hundreds of millions of women, empowering them to govern their own bodies and shape their...

[See Week in Review above for detail]

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

<u>UNDP Development Chief Calls for Action on Debt, Climate, & Inequality As Developing</u> <u>Countries Face Volatile Global Outlook</u>

Increased financing and bold leadership are needed urgently to tackle climate change, rising inequality, and surging debt, as increased risks and vulnerabilities threaten economic growth globally. Posted on April 13, 2019

99th Meeting of the Development Committee

Statement at the 99th Meeting of the Development Committee Posted on April 13, 2019

<u>UNDP and World Bank launch two new operational agreements to advance collaboration</u> on sustainable development worldwide

UNDP and the World Bank signed two milestone framework agreements to strengthen and streamline their cooperation at the country level.

Posted on April 12, 2019

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/

Latest News

11 Apr | Opening Statement, 2019 ECOSOC Partnership Forum, by Mr. Liu Zhenmin, USG, UN DESA (PDF)

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://unsdsn.org/news/

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.unenvironment.org/

12 Apr 2019 Press release

Luxembourg, UN Environment sign deal to accelerate sustainable finance

Washington D.C., 12 April 2019 – Luxembourg today signed an agreement to back a UN Environment-convened network that helps the world's major financial centres to increase green and sustainable finance.

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.unisdr.org/archive

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.un.org/development/desa/en/news.html

Latest News

<u>'The clock is ticking' on meeting the Sustainable Development Goals, says UN deputy chief</u> 11 April 2019, New York

Pointing to climate change, inequalities and other serious challenges, United Nations Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed told a forum on Thursday Development that "the clock is ticking" down, to making the <u>2030 Agenda</u> for Sustainable Development.

"Climate change is ravaging the planet... staggering numbers of children and youth – especially girls and young women – still lack access to basic education and healthcare services, [and] people in many countries are starved of economic opportunities, decent work and social protection measures", she told the 2019 ECOSOC Partnership Forum, where governments, business representatives and other influencers met to discuss how partnerships can best advance and the 17 (SDGs)...

Youth advocates demand immediate action to address urgent challenges

10 April 2019, New York

More than 1,000 young leaders and advocates at the United Nations today called on the global community to deliver on their promise of a future that is sustainable, safe and equitable. The youth leaders gathered at the two-day Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Youth Forum voiced alarm that 11 years before the 2030 deadline, progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) remains slow, including on climate change – the greatest challenge of the world of today and tomorrow.

"It is your future, your livelihoods, your freedom, your security, your environment. You do not, and you must not take no for an answer," said UN Secretary-General António Guterres, calling on young people "to keep up the pressure" in the lead-up to the Climate and SDG Summits in September this year...

UNESCO [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://en.unesco.org/news

12 April 2019

<u>Launch of the Global Alliance of Open Access Scholarly Communication Platforms to</u> democratize knowledge

[See Week in Review above for detail]

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Written on 29 March 2019

How to measure Baukultur - Save the Date!

Please save the 4th and 5th November 2019 for our international conference on "How to measure Baukultur" in Geneva, Switzerland.

In January 2018 the European Ministers of Culture adopted the Davos Declaration calling for a high-quality Baukultur to improve the well-being of all. To understand how we can improve the built environment, the Swiss Federal Office of Culture (FOC), the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), the International Union of Architects (UIA), and the Swiss Society of Engineers and Architects (SIA) will hold a conference on "How to measure Baukultur".

But how exactly do we define high-quality Baukultur? How can it be achieved? How can Baukultur be assessed and judged? These are the questions the conference aims to address.

The conference is intended to serve as an international high-level event linking areas of expertise that are not directly associated with Baukultur stakeholders.

It will take place on the 4th and 5th November 2019 at the Pavillon Sicli in Geneva.

For further information visit www.davosdeclaration2018.ch To get the programme of theses two days : Conference structure The conference programme and registration information will be available from August 2019. #baukultur19

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 13 Apr 2019] http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/press/allpress.html?ref=fp
No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://unhabitat.org/media-centre/news/

Posted April 12, 2019

Network seeks to build better in bid to fight diseases in urban settlements

Nairobi, 11 April 2019—A meeting bringing together scientists and built environment specialists has been told that Africa had 200 million malaria cases and 403,000 deaths from the same in 2017. This means that Africa accounted for 92%...

Government of Nepal adopts National Land Policy 2019

Katmandu, 28 March 2019 – Following years of collaboration between the Government of Nepal, the Global Land Tools Network (GLTN) and all its partners, and in close consultation with experts, communities and other stakeholders, the Government of...

Posted April 11, 2019

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 13 Apr 2019] http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/ No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

ILO100

UN General Assembly commemorates the ILO Centenary

08 April 2019

A special session marks the ILO's 100 years, followed by a series of high-level discussions on the future of work.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.icao.int/

12/4/19

ICAO Secretary General acknowledges significant contribution of French innovation to global aviation development

11/4/19

ICAO Council President highlights importance of ICAO's role at Singapore's World Civil Aviation Chief Executive's Forum

10/4/19

ICAO Secretary General discusses economic development, safety, and efficiency concerns during Tokyo mission

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

11/04/2019

IMO maritime data solution available after launch in Antiqua and Barbuda

A successful IMO project promoted by Norway to establish a maritime "single window" in Antigua and Barbuda has been completed – and the source code for the system will now be made available to other countries who need it.

08/04/2019

Electronic information exchange mandatory for ports from 8 April 2019

A mandatory requirement for national governments to introduce electronic information exchange between ships and ports comes into effect from 8 April 2019.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://news.upu.int/

10.04.2019

Stakeholders weigh in on remuneration

A first of its kind UPU conference called for broad consultation from stakeholders on improving the systems used to remunerate international postal exchanges.

Blockchain has the power to improve financial inclusion, says UPU head

08.04.2019 - UPU Director General Bishar A. Hussein touted the power of blockchain technologies during a special forum on "Shaping postal financial services in a digital economy" held at the UN specialized agency's Berne, Switzerland, headquarters.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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UNIDO and Iran to develop ICT value chain

VIENNA, 12 April 2019 – The Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), LI Yong, today met with Javad Azari Jahromi, Minister of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) of the Islamic Republic of Iran, who announced a self-funded project to be implemented by UNIDO within the framework of its 2017-2021 Country Programme.

<u>UNIDO</u>, <u>Japan to boost economic resilience and long-term stability for IDPs and returnees in Iraq</u>

NINEVEH GOVERNORATE, Iraq, 12 April 2019 – The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the Government of Japan are teaming up to foster the social stabilization and economic resilience of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and returnees in the Nineveh Gove

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.iso.org/news archive/x/

By Elizabeth Gasiorowski-Denis on 9 April 2019

The quality of national libraries contained in new ISO standard

National libraries are amazing resources, community assets and treasure troves of knowledge. But what makes them so amazing? A new ISO standard helps to find that out via a combination of performance indicators and specific methods for impact assessment.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://media.unwto.org/news

10 April 2019

<u>Tourism, Transport and Aviation Ministers Unite for the Future of Air Transport and Development in Africa</u>

Sal Island, Cabo Verde, 28 March 2019 – The First Ministerial Conference on Air Transport and Tourism in Africa co-organized by the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the Government of Cabo Verde was held in Sal Island, Cabo Verde, attracting over 20 Ministers of Tourism, Transport and Aviation from Africa.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.cbd.int/press-releases/

2019-04-10

<u>Italy ratified the Nagoya–Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety on 9 April 2019.</u>

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USAID [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

April 12, 2019

<u>USAID Administrator Green's Meetings During the 2019 Spring Meetings of the World Bank</u> <u>Group and the International Monetary Fund</u>

Readout

United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Administrator Mark Green met with representatives of partner countries and organizations during the World Bank Spring Meetings. He discussed support for governments, civil society, and the private sector in partner countries on their journey to self-reliance; actions to prevent sexual exploitation, trafficking and abuse in the aid sector; stabilization and development in the Sahel; the humanitarian response to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh; assistance to vulnerable Venezuelans who have fled to neighboring countries to escape repression and deprivation; the response to the outbreak of Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo; support for efforts to prevent future humanitarian crises; economic and governance reforms in developing countries; women's economic empowerment; and partnerships with the private sector.

<u>USAID Administrator Mark Green's Opening Remarks on the Policy Framework at CSIS'</u> <u>Global Development Forum</u>

April 11, 2019

Remarks

And we believe, as the lead agency in development, as Americans, that that notion is cooked into our DNA. So, what we believe is, where a country has taken on the tough choices in doing the difficult things that they need to do to become self-reliant and hopefully prosperous, well, we should walk with them along the way. And the Policy Framework is the connective tissue between that notion and the actual work that we do, day in and day out.

<u>United States Provides Additional Humanitarian Aid to Venezuelans Who Have Fled Their</u> Country

April 10, 2019

Today, Vice President Pence announced that the United States is providing nearly \$61 million in additional humanitarian assistance to support the regional response for the 3.4 million Venezuelans who have fled the man-made crisis in their country. The Vice President recognizes the need to increase support for these vulnerable Venezuelans, and announced the new funding during a meeting of the United Nations Security Council focused on the humanitarian crisis in Venezuela.

DFID [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development No new digest content identified.

ECHO [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

09/04/2019

Cyclone Idai: €12 million in EU assistance for Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Malawi

The European Union announced an additional €12 million in humanitarian support in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Malawi. This funding will assist people in need following cyclone Idai and the subsequent floods. The total EU humanitarian assistance in...

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African Union [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.au.int/

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ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

12 April 2019

ASEAN Secretariat, ICRC identify challenges & opportunities for humanitarian action

JAKARTA, 12 April 2019 - ASEAN Secretariat and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) co-organised the first workshop on challenges and humanitarian action in Southeast Asia in Jakarta yesterday. The workshop established a platform for experience-sharing and dialogue-exchange on contemporary humanitarian trends and issues in ASEAN countries. Participants also discussed international humanitarian law [...]

European Commission [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://europa.eu/rapid/search-result.htm?query=18&locale=en&page=1 12/04/2019

<u>EU Facility for Refugees in Turkey: third annual report shows continued vital and tangible support for refugees and their host communities</u>

- The third annual report on the implementation of the Facility shows solid results on EU support to refugees and host communities in Turkey, including: monthly transfer to 1.5 million refugees for their basic needs, 5 million primary health care consultations, access to school for 470,000 children. European Commission - Press release Brussels, 12 April 2019 The third annual report on the implementation of the Facility shows solid results on EU support to refugees and host communities in Turkey, including: monthly transfer to 1.5 million refugees for their basic needs, 5 million primary health care consultations, access...

Europe remains the world's biggest development donor – €74.4 billion in 2018

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 11 April 2019 The European Union and its Member States continued to be the world's leading provider of official development assistance in 2018 and stepped up their efforts directed at developing countries.

Cyclone Idai: €12 million EU assistance in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 9 April 2019 The European Union has announced today an additional €12 million in humanitarian support in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi. This funding will assist people in need following cyclone Idai and the subsequent floods.

Artificial intelligence: Commission takes forward its work on ethics guidelines

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 8 April 2019 . The Commission presents today next steps for building trust in artificial intelligence by taking forward the work of the High-Level Expert Group. Building on the work of the group of independent experts appointed in June 2018, the Commission is today...

OECD [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.oecd.org/

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Governments must act to help struggling middle class

Governments need to do more to support middle-class households who are struggling to maintain their economic weight and lifestyles as their stagnating incomes fail to keep up with the rising costs of housing and education, according to a new OECD report.

10-April-2019

Development aid drops in 2018, especially to neediest countries

Foreign aid from official donors in 2018 fell 2.7% from 2017, with a declining share going to the needlest countries, according to preliminary data collected by the OECD. The drop was largely due to less aid being spent on hosting refugees as arrivals slowed and rules were tightened on which refugee costs can come out of official aid budgets.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

April 11, 2019

OAS and Regional Alliance for Free Expression and Information Will Work Together in the Defense of Fundamental Rights

April 11, 2019

Resolution on the Situation in Venezuela

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.oic-oci.org/home/?lan=en

No new digest content identified.

Group of 77 [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.g77.org/

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by H.E. Dr. Riyad Mansour, Minister (State of Palestine), Chair of the Group of 77, at the 101st Meeting of Ministers and Governors of the

<u>Intergovernmental Group of Twenty-four on International Monetary Affairs and Development</u> (Washington, DC, 11 April 2019)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ambassador Feda Abdelhady, Deputy Permanent Representative, Mission of the State of Palestine to the United Nations, at the 2019 ECOSOC Partnership Forum (New York, 11 April 2019)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ambassador Riyad Mansour (State of Palestine), Chair of the Group of 77, at the High-level Event on the Future of Work (to commemorate ILO centenary) (New York, 10 April 2019)

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UNCTAD [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://unctad.org/en/Pages/AllPressRelease.aspx
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Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.wcoomd.org/ Selected Latest News No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

11 April 2019

DG Azevêdo: rules-based trading system is "irreplaceable" but must be ready to evolve

At a speech delivered to the Peterson Institute in Washington DC on 11 April, Director-General Roberto Azevêdo underlined the critical importance of the WTO to the stability and predictability of the global trading system. At the same time "it is clear that the WTO has to be better, faster and more responsive" to the challenges facing the organization and the system as a whole. Speech

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

10 April 2019

#IPU140: MPs engage in the world's biggest platform for parliamentary diplomacy

Parliamentary dialogue and diplomacy were at the forefront of <u>140th IPU Assembly</u> from 6 to 10 April in Doha, Qatar, as over 800 MPs from 160 countries convened.

10 April 2019

#IPU140: IPU calls for actions to defend persecuted MPs worldwide

At the 140th IPU Assembly in Doha, Qatar, the global parliamentary community strongly condemned human rights violations against MPs worldwide.

International Court of Justice [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 13 Apr 2019]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

https://www.icc-cpi.int/ Press Release: 12 April 2019

ICC judges reject opening of an investigation regarding Afghanistan situation

Today, 12 April 2019, Pre-Trial Chamber II of the International Criminal Court (ICC) rejected unanimously the request of the Prosecutor to proceed with an investigation for alleged crimes against humanity and war crimes, on the territory of in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The judges decided that an investigation into the situation in Afghanistan at this stage would not serve the interests of justice. The Chamber is composed of Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua, who will be appending a concurring separate opinion, Judge Tomoko Akane and Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala...

Statement: 12 April 2019

<u>Statement of the Office of the Prosecutor following the decision of Pre-Trial Chamber II</u> concerning the Situation in Afghanistan

The Prosecutor and her Office have carefully studied the decision of Pre-Trial Chamber II delivered earlier today rejecting the request to authorise an investigation into the situation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

The Office of the Prosecutor notes that the Judges of Pre-Trial Chamber II are satisfied that there is a reasonable basis to believe that crimes under the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court have been committed in Afghanistan, and that the requirements of gravity and complementarity have been met. The Pre-Trial Chamber then refused to <u>authorise</u> an investigation on its assessment of the interests of justice. The Office will further analyse the decision and its implications, and consider all available legal remedies...

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World Bank [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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World Bank/IMF Spring Meetings 2019: Development Committee Communiqué

1. The Development Committee met today, April 13, in Washington, D.C. 2. The global outlook foresees a moderate slowdown in economic activity, while lingering downside risks remain. Global trade growth...

Date: April 13, 2019 Type: Press Release

Finance Ministers Join Forces to Raise Climate Ambition

Launch of New "Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action" WASHINGTON, April 13, 2019 — Today, at the Spring Meetings of the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund, Finance Ministers...

Date: April 13, 2019 Type: Press Release

<u>World Bank Announces 'Mission Billion Challenge' Winners, Spotlighting the</u> <u>Transformational Potential of Digital Identification and Innovative Ideas to Strengthen</u> <u>Privacy & Empower People</u>

Washington, D.C., April 12th, 2019 —Her Majesty Queen Màxima of the Netherlands, the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Advocate for Inclusive Finance for Development (UNSGSA), Kristalina Georgieva...

Date: April 12, 2019 Type: Press Release

Inclusive Education Initiative: Transforming Education for Children with Disabilities

The Inclusive Education Initiative (IEI) is a multi-donor trust fund overseen by the World Bank. Launched in 2019 with support from the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad) and the U.K...

Date: April 12, 2019 Type: Brief

<u>US\$31.5 Million to Help Improve Services for Migrants from Venezuela and Host Communities in Colombia</u>

WASHINGTON, April 12, 2019 —The Global Concessional Financing Facility (GCFF) announced today a US\$31.5 million grant as budget support for Colombia's efforts to facilitate access to jobs and basic social...

Date: April 12, 2019 Type: Press Release

<u>Statement on High-Level Meeting on Humanitarian and Recovery Efforts Following Cyclone</u> **Idai**

WASHINGTON, April 11th, 2019 – World Bank Governors representing Malawi, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe, international partners including the World Bank, the Department for International Development (DFID) of...

Date: April 11, 2019 Type: Statement

World Bank Africa Human Capital Plan

There is an African saying that goes: "Tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." It should come as no surprise then that investments in the people of Africa, especially its youth, are the... Date: April 11, 2019 Type: Publication

World Bank Launches Human Capital Plan to Propel Investment in Africa's People

WASHINGTON, April 11, 2019 – The World Bank unveiled a new plan today to help African countries strengthen their human capital. The objective of the plan is to enable Africa's young people to grow up with...

Date: April 11, 2019 Type: Press Release

World Bank and UNICEF Partner to Promote Education, Skills and Training for Young People

World Bank to invest \$1 billion to boost job prospects for young people in alignment with Generation Unlimited WASHINGTON, April 8, 2019 – The World Bank and UNICEF announced a new commitment to promote...

Date: April 08, 2019 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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IMF Lays Out Policies for Economic Recovery Amid Elevated Uncertainty

Some 21 countries, mainly the region's more diversified economies, are expected to ... Prompt action would also help address the policy uncertainties that are holding back ...

African Development Bank Group [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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African Development Bank Hails Canada's US\$1.1 billion pledge in callable capital support

12/04/2019 - On the sidelines of the World Bank-IMF Spring meetings, Canada announced a \$1.1 billion commitment in temporary callable capital to support the African Development Bank.

<u>South Sudan: Thousands receive food, thanks to Emergency Response project supported by the African Development Bank, WFP</u>

12/04/2019 - Thousands of people in South Sudan have received relief from a food security project which is addressing the nation's severe food and nutrition needs.

The South Sudan Short-Term Regional Emergency Response Project (STRERP) was launched in December last year by the government with a \$43.57 million grant from the African Development Bank. The World Food Programme is implementing the project.

#Kwibuka25: African Development Bank marks the 25th commemoration of the Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda

11/04/2019 - With poems, videos and a riveting testimony from a former Prosecutor General of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), the African Development Bank, in collaboration with the Rwandan Embassy and the Rwandan community in Côte d'Ivoire, observed the 25th commemoration of the Genocide against the Tutsis in Rwanda under the theme "Remember-Unite-Renew

<u>African Development Bank President makes strong case for increased U.S. investment in</u> **Africa**

09/04/2019 - Speaking at a high-level dialogue in Washington D.C. on the sidelines of the World Bank-IMF Spring meetings, the President of the African Development Bank, Akinwumi Adesina, said "It is time to turn around the declining investments of the U.S. in Africa.

Asian Development Bank [to 13 Apr 2019]

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]

12 Apr 2019

ADB, UNDP Renew Agreement to Accelerate Progress Towards Sustainable Development

ADB and UNDP signed a 5-year memorandum of understanding today to accelerate progress towards sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific.

11 Apr 2019

ADB Expands Partnership with SMBC to Boost Trade Financing in Developing Asia

ADB and SMBC signed an agreement to promote more than \$100 million trade annually across developing Asia.

11 Apr 2019

ADB Study Highlights Measures to Save Fish Population in Rivers of Nepal

Special measures are needed in hydro and irrigation projects in Nepal to arrest rapidly declining fish stocks in the country's rivers, according to a new study from ADB.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 13 Apr 2019]

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 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

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

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa_ [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Latest News

<u>Amref Celebrates 19 Years of Partnership with the Italian Government through the Dagoretti Child Protection Centre</u>

Thursday, 11 April, 2019

Aravind Eye Care System [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.aravind.org/default/currentnewscontent

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

CARE International [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.care-international.org/news/press-releases

12th Apr 2019

<u>Cyclone Idai one month on: Menstrual hygiene becomes a silent need as cholera outbreak</u> fears persist

Women and girls affected by last month's destructive Cyclone Idai storm are facing serious health risks due to shortages of menstrual hygiene support, CARE experts have revealed.

Clubhouse International [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.drc.dk/news

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.ecpat.net/news

News & Updates

12/04/2019

Terminology Guidelines: How do you say 'sexual exploitation' in Turkish?

ECPAT International and <u>ECPAT Turkey</u> recently took another step towards helping child protection professionals, police, social workers, media and lawmakers to better understand and communicate the

complex issues related to child sexual exploitation and abuse – with the launch of the Luxembourg Terminology Guidelines in the Turkish language.

09/04/2019

Iraq: Daesh's retreat uncovered horrific cases of child sexual abuse

A dark picture of child sexual exploitation has emerged in areas occupied by the retreating Daesh forces in Iraq – says a <u>new ECPAT report</u>. Years of conflict and instability have left children displaced and vulnerable to sexual exploitation – with many so desperate that they have no other option but to exchange sex for survival.

Fountain House [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.fountainhouse.org/about/news-press

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.handicap-international.us/press_releases

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/press/press-releases.html

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

Venezuela: ICRC to expand humanitarian effort

Caracas/Geneva (ICRC) – The President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) has completed a five-day visit to Venezuela as the organization looks to ramp up its humanitarian effort in the country. The ICRC has tripled its budget for o

11-04-2019 | News release

IFRC [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

Democratic Republic of the Congo

DR Congo: "Ebola is spreading faster, and many people are no longer seeking care"

Nairobi/Geneva, 11 April 2019 –The deadly Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo is worsening as trust in the response effort falters, says the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Remarks

<u>Speech by Rt Hon David Miliband at Columbia University - Wolfgang Friedmann Award</u>
April 11, 2019

Press Release

<u>Mia Farrow calls for improving the global system for treating malnutrition following visit to South Sudan</u>

April 10, 2019

Press Release

As violence continues in Tripoli, the IRC calls for immediate action to protect all civilians in Libya

April 8, 2019

IRCT [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://irct.org/ 12 Apr 2019

IRCT seeks new Secretary-General

As indicated in our newsfeed from 14 December 2018, IRCT Secretary-General Victor Madrigal-Borloz will step down from his position on 30 June 2019. IRCT is seeking a visionary and committed Secretary-General, who can ensure a successful implementation of IRCT's Strategy 2018–2020 in the largest membership based civil society organisation to work in the field of torture hehabilitation and prevention.

The process of recruiting a new Secretary-General has started with a job ad that can be found at <u>this</u> link

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Latest News

Cyclone Idai food distributions in Malawi, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe

Published: 12 April, 2019

Fear grows with the spread of cholera in Yemen

Published: 10 April, 2019

Life on the edge in drought-stricken Somaliland

Published: 8 April, 2019

Islamic Relief health projects are saving and changing lives worldwide

Published: 7 April, 2019

Landsea [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.medecinsdumonde.org/

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.msf.org/

Selected News; Project Updates, Reports [as presented on website]

Press Release 12 April 2019

Humanitarian mechanism for vaccines used for first time in Europe to counter high prices

[See Milestones above for detail]

Cyclone Idai & Southern Africa flooding

From emergency to recovery: Mozambique one month after Cycl...

Project Update 12 Apr 2019

Lake Chad Crisis

Borno State: "We don't know anything of the people living in regio...

Interview 11 Apr 2019

Libva

Trapped refugees must be released and granted safety from Tripoli fig...

Project Update 11 Apr 2019

Cyclone Idai & Southern Africa flooding

Chimanimani: A community in distress after Cyclone Idai

Project Update 10 Apr 2019

Iraq

A year of post-operative care in Mosul

Project Update 10 Apr 2019

Child health

"Children with chronic diseases need our attention"

Interview 9 Apr 2019

Mercy Corps [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Operation Smile [to 13 Apr 2019]

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 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected News/Announcements

World Bank must stop push to expand private education

9 April 2019

The World Bank continues to steadily increase support for privatized education in lower-income countries despite mounting evidence that this approach is freezing out poorer children – especially girls – and doesn't improve education quality. Oxfam's new report "False Promises" says the Bank should immediately stop promoting Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) that expand private education.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.nrc.no/

Latest news from NRC

Central African Republic | 12. Apr 2019

Central African Republic: The making of an architect

In some areas of the Central African Republic, not a single child goes to school. We work in the neglected crisis to make way for its children back into the classrooms.

Somalia | 11. Apr 2019

137,000 people forced to flee their homes this year in Somalia

Displacement of families is rising with evictions, conflict and drought the top causes.

Lebanon | 10. Apr 2019

Lebanon: Cooking meals for thousands of storm-affected refugees

"Knowing I contribute to put food on the table and feed the children of other refugee families makes it worth the effort I put into my cooking," says Syrian Khitam. Together with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), she provides meals for 300 families affected by the winter storms in Lebanon.

Mali / 09. Apr 2019

87,000 people displaced by increased violence in Mali

Violence and the intensification of military operations in Northern and Central Mali have pushed more than 87,000 people to flee their homes since January 2019. Several humanitarian actors present in the

country are raising the alarm and warning about insufficient capacity to respond to the growing humanitarian crisis.

Colombia | 09. Apr 2019

Thousands of people newly displaced in Colombia

More than 2.000 people have been forcibly displaced due to conflict between armed groups in the northern departments of Cordoba and Antioquia during the last two weeks alone.

Yemen | 08. Apr 2019

Statement on yesterday's deadly attack in Sana'a

Statement by NRC's Secretary General Jan Egeland on yesterday's deadly attack in Sana'a:

Pact [to 13 Apr 2019] http://www.pactworld.org/ No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

PATH [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

April 10, 2019 by PATH

PATH applauds reintroduction of Global Health Security Act in U.S. Congress

Washington, D.C., April 10, 2019 — PATH applauds the bipartisan <u>reintroduction of the Global Health Security Act</u> in the U.S. Congress by Representatives Gerry Connolly (D-VA) and Steve Chabot (R-OH). The legislation aims to reaffirm U.S. government commitments to global health security that were made in the wake of the 2014-2016 West Africa Ebola crisis. As a leading funder and technical expert in the management of infectious disease outbreaks, the U.S. government plays a vital leadership role in today's volatile world of more frequent and severe outbreaks...

April 8, 2019 by PATH

PATH CEO to step down at end of 2019; search underway for new CEO

Seattle, WA, March 8, 2019 – PATH announced today that President and CEO Steve Davis plans to step down at the end of 2019, after more than seven years leading the organization. Mr. Davis will continue to oversee PATH until a new CEO is in place, and will support the transition as a new leader comes on board. A global search will commence today to select his successor...

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Save The Children [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.savethechildren.net/news

Monday 8 April 2019

Yemen Statement: "Children were bleeding on the floor, calling for their parents"

A Save the Children child protection worker who rushed to the scene of the school where several pupils were killed yesterday described scenes of devastation, and children bleeding heavily while aid workers tried to reach them.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

All News

Online course

Training to support unaccompanied and separated children

12.04.2019 - A new online course on the needs and rights of unaccompanied and separated refugee and migrant children has opened for registration. SOS Children's Villages International is part of the task force which created the course.

Youth employability

European Commission honours youth employability partnership

08.04.2019 - SOS Children's Villages received an award in recognition of the GoTeach partnership with Deutsche Post DHL which helps prepare young people for the job market.

Tostan [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.tostan.org

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

World Vision [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://wvi.org/

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://freedomhouse.org/news

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

Citing "Fake News," Singapore Could Be Next to Quash Free Expression

Apr 10 2019 - 10:51am

The government's new bill adds to a regional pattern of online restrictions.

Human Rights Watch [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.hrw.org/

Selected Content

April 12, 2019 News Release

Nepal: Reform Transitional Justice Law

April 12, 2019 Commentary

The Assange prosecution threatens modern journalism

Published in The Guardian

April 12, 2019 Commentary

UK, France Should Join German Saudi Arms Embargo

Published in **EU Observer**

April 12, 2019 Commentary

UK: A Century After the Amritsar Massacre, London Still Kicks Its Atrocities Under the Rug

April 11, 2019 *Commentary*

IMF Puts Renewed Focus on Corruption

Transparency International [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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Bond [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.bond.org.uk/

News and views

OECD releases preliminary overseas aid figures for 2018

12 April 2019

Rob Tew

Provisional ODA figures show that ODA spending fell in real terms in 2018.

ICAI review presents an opportunity to reshape DFID's partnerships and improve CSO performance

11 April 2019

A new review into DFID's partnerships with civil society highlights the need for the department to meaningfully engage with the sector.

Is advocacy and campaigning up to today's challenges?

9 April 2019

Ruth Mayne

Civil society advocacy has had lots of successes but our current strategies are not winning over enough to people to achieve structural change.

ChildFund Alliance [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://childfundalliance.org/ No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Apr 12, 2019

"How will you work for Sustainable Development?" CONCORD's Litmus Test for EU leaders

With the European Parliament elections around the corner, new EU leaders are about to take on their posts. CONCORD's new paper puts these leaders' priorities to the test and asks: "How will you work for sustainable development?"

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://theelders.org/news-media

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

Speech Climate change

Fossil fuel extraction is a waste of resources in every sense

Mary Robinson

Mary Robinson speaks frankly at the Berlin Energy Transition dialogue on the role Germany must play in a just transition out of coal for good.

Evidence Aid [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.evidenceaid.org/

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.gavi.org/

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://prizecoalition.charity.org/

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://icvanetwork.org/

Latest Resources

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.interaction.org/

U.S. Foreign Assistance

Congress scorns Trump plan to cut, weaponize foreign aid

Apr 12, 2019

Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict

Protecting Humanity in War: Recommendations for Congressional Action

Apr 11, 2019

Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict

Trapped in Conflict: Evaluating Scenarios to Assist At-Risk Civilians

Apr 11, 2019

Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict

When War Moves to Cities: Protection of Civilians in Urban Areas

Apr 11, 2019

Start Network [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.3ieimpact.org/

Impact evaluation 3ie 2019

Impacts of formal registration of businesses in Malawi

Authors evaluated the impact of three interventions aimed at formalising small businesses in Malawi.

Impact evaluation 3ie 2019

<u>Unpacking the determinants of entrepreneurship development and economic empowerment for women in Kenya</u>

Authors evaluated the impact of the International Labour Organization's Gender and Entrepreneurship Together training programme (GET Ahead) in rural Kenya.

Working paper 3ie 2019

<u>Transparency and accountability in the extractives sector: a synthesis of what works and what does not</u>

This paper synthesises key lessons from seven impact evaluations of these initiatives in the extractives sector. The synthesis shows that providing information alone may not be sufficient. Instead, information combined with deliberations positively affect knowledge, trust and demand for accountability.

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.alnap.org/

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://devinit.org/news/

Website now responding at inquiry

EHLRA/R2HC [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.urd.org/?lang=en

[Undated]

The PASFASS project to increase the social empowerment of Chadian women March 2019 – March 2022

There are numerous challenges in Chad in terms of maternal, reproductive, neonatal, child and adolescent health, family planning and gender-based violence. To meet these challenges, CARE, the Bureau d'Appui Santé et Environnment (BASE) and Groupe URD have developed the PASFASS project which will target the provinces of Mandoul and Logone Oriental over the next 3 years, with support from the French Development Agency. Groupe URD is in charge of learning support and strategic programme management and will therefore carry out evaluations and studies to analyse the project results.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://ihsa.info/

No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://phap.org/

Latest News

Courses and workshops

Geneva 2019 Core Professional Training on Humanitarian Law and Policy Apr 29 - May 1

Brookings

http://www.brookings.edu/

Accessed 13 Apr 2019

Latest Research

Report

Governing digital trade

Joshua P. Meltzer

Friday, April 12, 2019

Technology & Innovation

Credit denial in the age of AI

Aaron Klein

Thursday, April 11, 2019

<u>Report</u>

How do work requirement waivers help SNAP respond to a recession?

Lauren Bauer, Jana Parsons, and Jay Shambaugh

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

South Asia

<u>Sri Lanka's presidential elections: Progress, regression, or paralysis?</u>

<u>Jeffrey Feltman</u> April 2019

<u>Middle East & North Africa</u>

<u>Reflecting on Qatar's "Islamist" soft power</u>

<u>David B. Roberts</u>

April 2019

Center for Global Development [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

April 10, 2019

Pooled Procurement of Drugs in Low and Middle Income Countries - Working Paper 508

We use data from seven low and middle income countries with diverse drug procurement systems to assess the effect of centralized procurement on drug prices and provide a theoretical mechanism that explains this effect. We find that centralized procurement of drugs by the public sector allows much lower prices but that the induced price reduction is smaller when the supply side is more concentrated. Pierre Dubois , Yassine Lefouili and Stéphane Straub

April 8, 2019

WHO Technical Report on Cancer Pricing Misses the Mark—It Should Focus on the "Demand Side"

Criticising cancer medicine pricing as too high is what football fans know as an "open goal"—a target that is hard to miss. Yet somehow the World Health Organization Technical Report on Cancer Pricing manages to do just that with a paper to the WHO Executive Board calling for price and cost transparency.

Kalipso Chalkidou, Adrian Towse and Richard Sullivan

CSIS [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.csis.org/

Selected Reports

Report

Preventing Catastrophe in Afghanistan

April 12, 2019 | Daniel F. Runde

If the United States and its allies suddenly withdraw from Afghanistan, catastrophe could ensue. This brief presents the worst-case scenario in Afghanistan: civil war, poverty, disease, refugees, and terrorism.

Report

<u>America's Global Infrastructure Opportunity: Three Recommendations to the New U.S.</u> Development Finance Corporation

April 11, 2019 | Daniel F. Runde

This brief aims to provide three recommendations surrounding global infrastructure for the new USDFC which will be launched in October 2019.

Report

Innocent Bystanders: Why the U.S.-China Trade War Hurts African Economies

April 9, 2019 | Judd Devermont, Catherine Chiang

A trade war has escalated between the U.S. and China and African economies are caught in the crossfire. CSIS's Judd Devermont and Catherine Chiang examine how tariffs are impacting African economies and U.S.-Africa relations.

ODI [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.odi.org/

Selected Press Releases & Reports

<u>Drive to mobilise 'trillions' through private finance for development 'completely unrealistic'</u> – new ODI research

Press release | 10 April 2019

New report on blended finance finds policy makers have unrealistic expectations about how much private money can be mobilized.

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Localising emergency preparedness and response through partnerships

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Caitlin Wake and Veronique Barbelet Lessons from Islamic Relief's exercise in localisation of aid, partnerships and capacity strengthening.

Blended finance in the poorest countries: the need for a better approach

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Samantha Attridge and Lars Engen

This report provides hard evidence to inform the discussion on the role of blended finance in plugging the SDG financing gap in developing countries.

Creating opportunities for young women in Ghana's construction sector: what works?

Briefing papers | April 2019 | Alexandra Löwe

This brief examines experience and best practice from employment initiatives that have sought to encourage young women to work in male-dominated sectors.

Subnational investment in human capital

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Marcus Manuel, Dan Coppard, Amy Dodd, Harsh Desai, Richard Watts, Zach Christensen and Stephanie Manea

This report finds that more can be done to target investment in human capital that both builds peoples' wellbeing and boosts their economic potential.

Exit from aid: an analysis of donor experiences

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Maria Ana Jalles d'Orey and Annalisa Prizzon

This paper analyses the approaches of development partners to transition and exit from bilateral aid programmes.

Exit from aid: an analysis of country experiences

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Lars Engen and Annalisa Prizzon

This report looks at the impact on countries as they transition from low to middle-income status.

<u>Promoting gender equality and women's empowerment in shock-sensitive social protection</u>

Working and discussion papers | April 2019 | Rebecca Holmes

Exploring how best to integrate gender equality into the design and implementation of shocksensitive social protection programming.

Urban Institute [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.urban.org/publications

April 11, 2019

Insult to Injury: Natural Disasters and Residents' Financial Health

Many families live on the financial edge, but a natural disaster can throw even better-situated families into financial turmoil. A natural disaster can lead to increased debt and delinquencies—increasing financial stress in the near term, but also longer-term declines in financial health. This study builds evidence on how natural disasters impact residents' financial health. Our analyses compare the financial

<u>Caroline Ratcliffe, William J. Congdon, Alexandra Stanczyk, Daniel Teles, Carlos Martín, Bapuchandra Kotapati</u>

April 11, 2019

Research Report

Improving the Supplemental Security Income Program for Adults with Disabilities

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program provides an essential safety net for low-income people with disabilities and low-income seniors, assisting 8.1 million beneficiaries at an annual cost of \$55 billion. While SSI significantly reduces the poverty rate for beneficiaries and their families, participants still have very modest incomes. Beneficiaries who attempt to increase their income and savings through work are

Jack Smalligan, Chantel Boyens

April 9, 2019

Working Paper

Pugwash Literature Review

The Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, commonly known as Pugwash, brought together notable scientists from both sides of the Iron Curtain to discuss nuclear disarmament in an informal but serious atmosphere starting in 1957. This literature review examines philanthropy's role in supporting the Pugwash conferences and evaluates the most significant scholarly claims of their impact. Influence Pugwash is

Paul Rubinson

April 8, 2019

Brief

Philanthropy and US Student Movements: Four Cases

Philanthropy has a long history of supporting college student groups and influencing worldview-shaping movements through them. This literature review surveys research on several major college student groups in modern U.S. history to provide funders with actionable insights from historical case studies. Special attention is paid to: Evidence of the impact of these groups in shaping worldviews The role of philanthropy in enabling

Maoz Brown

April 8, 2019

Brief

World Economic Forum [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Selected News Releases

News 07 Apr 2019

<u>World Economic Forum on Middle East and North Africa Urges Leaders to Develop Full</u>
Potential of the Region through Collaboration

Bahrain Announces Special Programme for 100 Arab Start-Ups

Hope and Opportunities for Youth Seen as Keys to Combat Radicalization

As Belt and Road 2.0 Gathers Momentum, China Aims to Avoid 'Debt Traps'

<u>More than Money: Deregulation and User Protection Needed to Create Competitive Arab</u> Tech Scene

UAE Takes Lead on Tackling Climate Change and Environmental Crises in the Middle East

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch

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

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

News

A new technique to make beating human heart cells glow

April 10, 2019

Fluorescent labels on the cellular structures that allow our hearts to beat will enable studies of cardiac defects or regeneration

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 13 Apr 2019]

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 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 13 Apr 2019]

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 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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 No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.grameenfoundation.org/news-events/press-room

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Latest Updates
Education
By Redstone Strategy Group
April 8, 2019

Understanding the global OER landscape

To inform the Education program's Open Educational Resources (OER) strategy refresh in 2019, the foundation worked with Redstone Strategy Group on an analysis of the global landscape for OER. The project aimed to understand the existing evidence base outside the U.S. context, including priority research and potential gaps to be filled; identify current and prospective...

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.hhmi.org/news

Research Apr 09 2019

How Penicillin Acts like TNT for Bacteria

Scientists have discovered a protein that prevents bacteria from exploding, which could make it a good target for future antibiotics.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.macfound.org/

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.moore.org/

No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/issues/media-information

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

April 9, 2019

<u>Packard Foundation and Caring for Colorado Foundation announce The Sperry S. and Ella Graber Packard Fund for Pueblo</u>

April 10, 2019 (Los Altos, CA) – Today, the <u>David and Lucile Packard Foundation</u> and the <u>Caring for Colorado Foundation</u> announced the creation of the Sperry S. and Ella Graber Packard Fund for Pueblo, an endowment established with a \$20 million, one-time grant to Caring for Colorado's Centennial Fund. Caring for Colorado has managed local grantmaking for the Packard Foundation in Pueblo since 2016, and will direct the endowment, with a vision of supporting the people, organizations, and aspirations of Pueblo for decades to come...

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Press Releases & Statements

Opinion April 10, 2019

The Antibiotic Market Is Broken—and Won't Fix Itself

As companies continue to shutter their research and development programs, Congress must act to protect a foundation of modern medicine

Rockefeller Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/about-us/news-media/

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/

Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports

Julie Morita, MD, named as RWJF Executive Vice President

April 8, 2019

RWJF announced today that Julie Morita, MD, the current commissioner of the Chicago Department of Public Health, has been named executive vice president.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

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

No new digest content identified.

SDG Philanthropy Platform

http://sdqfunders.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). https://sloan.org/about/press

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 13 Apr 2019]

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

Wellcome Trust [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://wellcome.ac.uk/news No new digest content identified.

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Foundation Center [to 13 Apr 2019

http://foundationcenter.org/about-us/press-room No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 13 Apr 2019]

https://www.cof.org/newsroom No new digest content identified.

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:: Journal Watch

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

American Journal of Infection Control

April 2019 Volume 47, Issue 4, p351-478 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

April 2019 Volume 56, Issue 4, p477-630 http://www.ajpmonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

April 2019 109(4) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 100, Issue 4, 2019 http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/100/4 [Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/ (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

March 2019 - Volume 4 - 2 https://gh.bmj.com/content/4/2 [Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) Research article

Access to cardiac rehabilitation and the role of language barriers in the provision of cardiac rehabilitation to migrants

Cardiac rehabilitation (CR) has proven health benefits and, according to international guidelines, CR must be offered to all eligible patients. Studies have reported lower uptake of CR among migrants, and migr...

Authors: Fatima Al-Sharifi, Hanne Winther Frederiksen, Henriette Knold Rossau, Marie Norredam and

Ann-Dorthe Zwisler

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2019 19:223

Published on: 11 April 2019

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 13 Apr 2019)

Research article

<u>Human rabies post exposure prophylaxis at the Pasteur Institute of Dakar, Senegal: trends and risk factors</u>

Rabies remains a major public health problem in developing countries. Most fatal rabies cases, especially in children, result from dog bites and occur in low-income countries, such as those in Sub-Saharan Afri...

Authors: Mamadou Korka Diallo, Alpha Oumar Diallo, Anta Dicko, Vincent Richard and Emmanuelle

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Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:321

Published on: 11 April 2019

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content (Accessed 13 Apr 2019)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 13 Apr 2019) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

April 2019 - Volume 9 - 4 http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 97, Number 4, April 2019, 245-308 https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/97/4/en/ [Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 45, Issue 2 Pages: 147-311 March 2019 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

March 2019 Volume 41, Issue 3, p369-604 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 16 Issue 2, April 2019 https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/16/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 13 Apr 2019] Research

1 11 April 2019

<u>The long-term health consequences of genocide: developing GESQUQ - a genocide studies checklist</u>

Genocide is an atrocity that seeks to destroy whole populations, leaving empty countries, empty spaces and empty memories, but also a large health burden among survivors is enormous. We propose a genocide reporting checklist to encourage consistent high quality in studies designed to provide robust and reliable data on the long term impact of genocide.

Authors: Jutta Lindert, Ichiro Kawachi, Haim Y. Knobler, Moshe Z. Abramowitz, Sandro Galea, Bayard Roberts, Richard Mollica and Martin McKee

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 79 Pages 1-122 (April 2019) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/79/suppl/C [New issue; No digest content identified]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

April 2019 - Volume 32 - Issue 2 https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 19, Issue 1 Pages: 1-60 March 2019 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current [Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 29, Issue 3, 2019 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 37, Issue 3 Pages: 311-449 May 2019 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current ARTICLES

<u>Provision of basic services in slums: A review of the evidence on top-down and bottom-up</u> approaches

Ganesh Devkar, A. Thillai Rajan, Sriharini Narayanan, M. S. Elayaraja

Pages: 331-347

First Published: 22 November 2017

Households' preferences for attributes of Conditional Cash Transfer programmes: A choice experiment in Ghana

Felix Kwame Yeboah, Frank Lupi, Michael D. Kaplowitz, John M. Kerr

Pages: 402-422

First Published: 16 October 2017

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 14, Issue 1, 2019

http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 13 - Special Issue 1 - February 2019

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

Serial Hurricanes

[No new digest content identified]

Disasters

Volume 43, Issue 2 Pages: 219-455 April 2019 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current [Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 20, Number 4 01 April 2019 http://embor.embopress.org/content/20/4?current-issue=y Science & Society Open Access

<u>The Third Cognitive Revolution - The consequences and possibilities for biomedical</u> research

The Third Cognitive Revolution poses particular challenges for biomedical research to adopt new knowledge. Interdisciplinary education at all levels would help to address these. EMBO Reports (2019) 20: e47647

James B Hittner, Almira L Hoogesteijn, Jeanne M Fair, Marc HV van Regenmortel, Ariel L Rivas

<u>Changing times for science and the public - Science journalists' roles for the responsible communication of science</u>

The increasing number of corrections in the scientific record and the debate about reproducibility affect journalists' reporting about science and thereby public opinion on scientists and research. EMBO Reports (2019) 20: e47906

Suzana Liskauskas, Mariana D Ribeiro, Sonia MR Vasconcelos

Emergency Medicine Journal

https://bmcemergmed.biomedcentral.com/articles [Accessed 13 Apr 2019] [No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 25, Number 4—April 2019 http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/ [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemics

Pages 1-134 (March 2019) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/26/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 147 - 2019 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 41, Issue 2 Pages: 1-40 March-April 2019 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/25782363 **The Scientific Value and Validity of Research**[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Spring 2019 (Issue 33.1) March 2019 https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2019/spring-2019-issue-33-1/ [Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 29, Issue 1, February 2019 https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/29/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75

Volume 84 Pages 1-204 (April 2019)

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/83/suppl/C

Research article Abstract only

Advancing a new index for measuring household vulnerability to food insecurity

Otu W. Ibok, Henny Osbahr, Chittur Srinivasan Pages 10-20

Research article Abstract only

<u>Addressing food and nutrition security from a human rights-based perspective: A mixed-methods study of NGOs in post-Soviet Armenia and Georgia</u>

Anna Jenderedjian, Anne C. Bellows Pages 46-56

Special Issue: New perspectives on farm size and productivity, Guest Editors: Nicholas E. Rada and Keith O. Fuglie

Research article Abstract only

New perspectives on farm size and productivity

Nicholas E. Rada, Keith O. Fuglie Pages 147-152

Research article Abstract only

Assessing farm performance by size in Malawi, Tanzania, and Uganda

Jacques C. Julien, Boris E. Bravo-Ureta, Nicholas E. Rada Pages 153-164

Research article Abstract only

Too small to be beautiful? The farm size and productivity relationship in Bangladesh

Madhur Gautam, Mansur Ahmed Pages 165-175

Food Security

Volume 11, Issue 1, February 2019 https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/11/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 60 March 2019

https://www.fmreview.org/GuidingPrinciples20/contents

Special Issue Theme: Education: needs, rights and access in displacement

Education is one of the most important aspects of our lives – vital to our development, our understanding and our personal and professional fulfilment throughout life. In times of crisis, however, millions of displaced young people miss out on months or years of education, and this is damaging to them and their families, as well as to their societies, both in the short and long term. This issue of FMR includes 29 articles on Education, and two 'general' articles.

Foreword: Education – a humanitarian and development imperative

Manuel Bessler

For far too long, donors and the international community have neglected education in humanitarian response. Switzerland was no exception. Food, water, health and shelter were the usual priorities during emergencies, while education was considered more of a long-term objective to be tackled by national governments and development agencies once a crisis was over.

However, we were wrong. We simply ignored the families' tendencies to see their children's education – often interrupted or absent – as a priority need in displacement. We were not sufficiently aware of education's life-sustaining and protective role during conflict and crisis. We underestimated the impact education can have on peaceful coexistence and misjudged the social and economic consequences of the lack of education during displacement for both host and home countries...

This edition of Forced Migration Review is timely and necessary. In a time of unprecedented displacement, rising hostilities and an increase in protracted conflicts, it is important to recall what is at stake if displaced girls and boys are prevented from going to school. Education is the most powerful means of breaking cycles of vulnerability and poverty, and without education there can be no sustainable development. The young displaced generation has enormous potential for contributing to society. However, greater international commitment is needed to support countries dealing with rising population movements. Eighty-five per cent of refugees live in developing countries that already struggle with over-stretched education systems. We need to provide assistance to countries to ensure that displaced children can access local schools. We need to provide support to national education ministries, teachers and parents so that both displaced and host-community children can learn and grow up in safe, child-friendly environments. We need to find creative solutions to enable children and youth who have missed out on learning to catch up. All this requires the joint action of the humanitarian and development communities, NGOs, multi- and bilateral agencies and the private sector. Switzerland calls on others to follow suit by prioritising education in policy making, funding and

action on the ground. The provision of education for displaced children and youth is both an immediate emergency response and an effective way to work towards durable solutions during protracted displacement.

[29 articles on this theme included in this issue]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 46, 2019 - İssue 1 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Genocide Studies International

Volume 12 Issue 2, Fall 2018

https://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current

Articles

Rethinking the Rwandan Narrative for the 25th Anniversary

Gerald Caplan 12(2), pp. 152–190

First published online: April 1, 2019

Abstract

Twenty-five years after the notorious genocide of Rwanda's Tutsi, heated arguments still prevail about key aspects of the event. At the moment, the greatest dispute concerns the behavior of the Rwanda Patriotic Front, the mostly-Tutsi rebel group that drove the genocidaires from the country and ended up ruling Rwanda to this day. The prevailing school of historiography, one embraced by a majority of scholars and promoted ceaselessly by the RPF government under President Paul Kagame, sees the RPF army as an exemplary, well-trained, and highly disciplined force, the very antithesis of the genocidaires. But a growing group of scholars and journalists now insist that the RPF were in every way as cruel, vicious, and murderous as were the anti-Tutsi conspirators themselves. This paper examines these arguments and makes some recommendations.

Genome Medicine

https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles [Accessed 24 Nov 2018] [No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 11, Issue 1, March 2019 https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/11/1

Heritage Stones and Geoheritage

In 2016, at the International Geological Congress that took place in Cape Town, South Africa, the IUGS Council ratified the creation of a new IUGS Commission: the International Commission for Geoheritage. In this commission, both heritage sites and heritage stones working groups will collaborate to disseminate the importance of Geoheritage for the general public and for the scientific community. Since then, a great effort has been made to join both subjects in meetings and in publications. Heritage Stones and Geoheritage is a special issue dedicated to spread news on some

natural stones with implications on heritage around the world, and also on mines and quarries that are part of our Geoheritage and industrial heritage. It is a contribution of the IUGS Heritage Stones Subcommission. Our aim is to make as public as possible the importance of natural stones in the architectonic heritage in particular and in the geoheritage context in general....

[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. 7, No. 1 March 22, 2019 http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current [Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health

Volume 14, 2019 Issue 5 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/ [Accessed 24 Nov 2018] Research | 11 April 2019

<u>Public health law coverage in support of the health-related sustainable development goals</u> (SDGs) among 33 Western Pacific countries

A resilient health system is inevitable in attaining the health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). One way of strengthening health systems is improving the coverage of public health laws for better health governance. The aim of this study is to describe the public health law situation in the Western Pacific Region and analyse the association of public health law coverage with health-related SDGs statistics.

Authors: Yuri Lee and So Yoon Kim

Health Affairs

Vol. 38 , No. 3 March 2019 https://www.healthaffairs.org/toc/hlthaff/current **Patients As Consumers*

[Reviewed earlier]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 20, Issue 2, December 2018

https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-20-issue-2-december-2018/

Issue 20.2 features a special section: Special Section on Human Rights and the Social Determinants of Health and a General Papers section

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 14 - Special Issue 2 - April 2019

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

SPECIAL ISSUE: Frontiers of Health Policy Research

If the enhancement of human freedom is both the main object and the primary means to development (Sen, $\underline{1999}$), then good individual and population health are both ends and means to development and freedom in all countries, regardless of their current ranking on the Human Development Index or other indexes on wealth, prosperity and well-being...

This special issue on the 'frontiers in health policy research' focuses attention on three distinct areas of inquiry. One set of papers analyses efforts to improve the quality of care and increase the value of care that health systems purchase. A second set of articles focuses on issues of health behaviour and social determinants of health. Finally, the third set of articles presents differing views on how to predict the adequacy of supply of medical professionals. The range of these articles illustrates, not only the exciting breadth of health policy research, but the degree to which scholars within this field are addressing issues of high importance to policy makers around the world. We think it is fair to claim that all of the articles address issues that are on the 'frontier' of health policy in the sense that they attempt to provide answers to questions that policy makers around the world are currently grappling with...

Health Equity

Volume 2, Issue 1 / December 2018 https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/heq/2/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 10, 1 December 2018 https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/10 [Reviewed earlier]

Health Promotion International

Volume 34, Issue 1, February 2019 https://academic.oup.com/heapro/issue [Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content [Accessed 13 Apr 2019] [No new digest content identified]

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 41, Number 1, February 2019 http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39881 [Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 74, February 2019

https://odihpn.org/magazine/communication-community-engagement-humanitarian-response/ **Communication and community engagement in humanitarian response**

This edition of Humanitarian Exchange, co-edited with Charles-Antoine Hofmann from the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), focuses on communication and community engagement. Despite promising progress, coherent and coordinated information is still not provided systematically to affected communities, and humanitarian responses take insufficient account of the views and feedback of affected people. In 2017, UNICEF, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and other partners came together under the auspices of the Communicating with Disaster Affected Communities (CDAC) Network to establish the Communication and Community Engagement (CCE) initiative, which aims to organise a collective service for communications and community engagement. The articles in this edition take stock of efforts to implement this initiative.

Drawing on lessons from 23 Peer 2 Peer Support missions, <u>Alice Chatelet and Meg Sattler</u> look at what's needed to integrate CCE into the humanitarian architecture. <u>Viviane Lucia Fluck and Dustin Barter</u> discuss the institutional and practical barriers to implementing community feedback mechanisms. <u>Bronwyn Russel</u> analyses the performance of the Nepal inter-agency common feedback project; <u>Justus Olielo and Charles-Antoine Hofmann</u> outline the challenges of establishing common services in Yemen; and <u>Gil Francis Arevalo</u> reports on community engagement in preparedness and response in the Philippines. <u>Ian McClelland and Frances Hill</u> discuss emerging findings from a strategic partnership in the Philippines between the Humanitarian Innovation Fund and the Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network.

<u>Charlotte Lancaster</u> describes how call centres in Afghanistan and Iraq are enhancing two-way communication with crisis-affected people. <u>Mia Marzotto</u> from Translators without Borders reflects on the importance of language and translation in communication and community engagement, and <u>Ombretta Baggio and colleagues</u> report on efforts to bring community perspectives into decision-making during an Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo. <u>Ayo Degett</u> highlights emerging findings from a Danish Refugee Council project on participation in humanitarian settings, and <u>Jeff Carmel and Nick van Praag</u> report on the Listen Learn Act (LLA) project. <u>Geneviève Cyvoct and Alexandra T. Warner</u> write on an innovative common platform to track the views of affected people in Chad. The edition ends with an article by <u>Stewart Davies</u> on collective accountability in the response to the Central Sulawesi earthquake.

IDRiM Journal

Vol 8, No 2 (2018)

http://idrimjournal.com/index.php/idrim/issue/view/20

[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

http://www.idpjournal.com/content [Accessed 13 Apr 2019] [No new digest content identified]

International Health

Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019

http://inthealth.oxfordjournals.org/content/current

EDITORIAL

We need to monitor mortality to improve public health programs: here's why and how to do it

<u>Charles B Holmes</u>; <u>Izukanji Sikazwe</u>; <u>Elvin Geng</u>

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019, Pages 159–162,

https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy039

ORIGINAL ARTICLES

The promise, problems and pitfalls of mass drug administration for malaria elimination: a qualitative study with scientists and policymakers

Nils Kaehler; Bipin Adhikari; Phaik Yeong Cheah; Nicholas P J Day; Daniel H Paris ...

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019, Pages 166–176,

https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy079

Injury among the immigrant population in Canada: exploring the research landscape through a systematic scoping review

Mashrur Rahman Kazi; Mahzabin Ferdous; Nahid Rumana; Marcus Vaska; Tanvir C Turin International Health, Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019, Pages 203–214,

https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihv086

Towards diaspora-driven research capacity strengthening in low- and middle-income countries: results from India and Nepal

Varshini Varadaraj; Anju Ranjit; Joseph Nwadiuko; Joseph Canner; Marie Diener-West ... International Health, Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019, Pages 221–228, https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy076

Herd protection of unvaccinated adults by oral cholera vaccines in rural Bangladesh

Mohammad Ali; Peter Kim; K Zaman; John Clemens

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019, Pages 229–234,

https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy085

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 7 (2018): Issue 2 (Nov 2018)

https://brill.com/abstract/journals/hrlr/7/2/hrlr.7.issue-2.xml

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 6, No 3 (2019) March 2019 https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/48 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 33 Pages 1-498 (February 2019) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/33/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 48, Issue 1, February 2019 https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/48/1 [Reviewed earlier

International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 25, Issue 5 2019 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 12 Issue 2 2019 https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/ijhrh/12/2 [New issue; No digest content identified]

International Journal of Infectious Diseases

March 2019 Volume 80, p1-152 https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(19)X0002-8 [Reviewed earlier]

International Migration Review

Volume 53 Issue 1, March 2019 http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrx/current [Reviewed earlier]

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

September-December 2018 Volume 16 | Issue 3 Page Nos. 197-295 http://www.interventionjournal.org/

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA

April 9, 2019, Vol 321, No. 14, Pages 1325-1418 http://jama.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx
[New issue; No digest content identified]

JAMA Pediatrics

April 2019, Vol 173, No. 4, Pages 303-404 http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

March 2019 - Volume 17 - Issue 3 http://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Adolescent Health

April 2019 Volume 64, Issue 4, p419-546 https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(18)X0006-8 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Community Health

Volume 44, Issue 2, April 2019 https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/44/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 36 Pages 1-296 (March–April 2019) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/36/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

2019: Volume 9 Issue 1

https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jchmsd/9/1

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Artificial intelligence in global health: a brave new world

The Lancet

Despite decades of progress in global health, many low and middle income countries are not reaching their health Sustainable Development Goals, creating a sense of urgency to prioritise health in resource-strained environments. The use of artificial intelligence (AI) is becoming increasingly attractive to the health-care industry. The accompanying enthusiasm remains awkwardly placed somewhere between aspiration and reality.

The Artificial Intelligence in Global Health report, published on April 1, 2019, was funded by the USAID's Center for Innovation and Impact and the Rockefeller Foundation, in close coordination with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The report looks at 27 cases of AI use in health care and distils them into four key groupings—population health, patient and front-line health worker virtual assistants, and physician clinical decision support. It hypothesises how AI solutions could improve access, quality, and efficacy of global health systems while accounting for their technological maturity and feasibility. The identified challenges, the most highly volatile being privacy, ethics, and data ownership, are in line with recent debates on regulation and policy for AI technology implementation in health care. To mitigate these challenges, stakeholders would need to be held accountable and be transparent whether supporting innovation, interoperability, or capacity building. The report sets the framework for a proactive and strategic approach to accelerate the development of cost-effective use of AI in global health by investing in case-specific, systematic, and technology-related key areas.

This report outlines an aspirational yet pragmatic framework for better coordination for AI investment between donors, governments, and the private sector, while harnessing a futuristic vision—the digitisation of global health. Because the cost-effectiveness of these AI solutions has yet to be validated, the call for investments feels somewhat premature. Traditionally, the global health community is a late adopter of new technologies. Hence, it is imperative that they have an integral and active role in the dialogue early on. As this report rightfully stipulates, technology will get there, but will the world follow?

Articles

Efficacy and risk of harms of repeat ivermectin mass drug administrations for control of malaria (RIMDAMAL): a cluster-randomised trial

Ivermectin is widely used in mass drug administrations for controlling neglected parasitic diseases, and can be lethal to malaria vectors that bite treated humans. Therefore, it could be a new tool to reduce plasmodium transmission. We tested the hypothesis that frequently repeated mass administrations of ivermectin to village residents would reduce clinical malaria episodes in children and would be well tolerated with minimal harms.

Brian D Foy, Haoues Alout, Jonathan A Seaman, Sangeeta Rao, Tereza Magalhaes, Martina Wade, Sunil Parikh, Dieudonné D Soma, André B Sagna, Florence Fournet, Hannah C Slater, Roland Bougma, François Drabo, Abdoulaye Diabaté, A Gafar V Coulidiaty, Nöel Rouamba, Roch K Dabiré, Open Access

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Volume 568 Issue 7751, 11 April 2019 http://www.nature.com/nature/current issue.html World View | 10 April 2019

Train students to navigate ethical swamps

A protocol can help with the tricky conversations essential to responsible research conduct, says Mary A. Allen.

Letter | 20 March 2019

Complex societies precede moralizing gods throughout world history

Harvey Whitehouse, Pieter François[...] & Peter Turchin Abstract

The origins of religion and of complex societies represent evolutionary puzzles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. The 'moralizing gods' hypothesis offers a solution to both puzzles by proposing that belief in morally concerned supernatural agents culturally evolved to facilitate cooperation among strangers in large-scale societies 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. Although previous research has suggested an association between the presence of moralizing gods and social complexity 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, the relationship

between the two is disputed 9,10,11,12,13,19,20,21,22,23,24, and attempts to establish causality have been hampered by limitations in the availability of detailed global longitudinal data. To overcome these limitations, here we systematically coded records from 414 societies that span the past 10,000 years from 30 regions around the world, using 51 measures of social complexity and 4 measures of supernatural enforcement of morality. Our analyses not only confirm the association between moralizing gods and social complexity, but also reveal that moralizing gods follow—rather than precede—large increases in social complexity. Contrary to previous predictions 9,12,16,18, powerful moralizing 'big gods' and prosocial supernatural punishment tend to appear only after the emergence of 'megasocieties' with populations of more than around one million people. Moralizing gods are not a prerequisite for the evolution of social complexity, but they may help to sustain and expand complex multi-ethnic empires after they have become established. By contrast, rituals that facilitate the standardization of religious traditions across large populations 25,26 generally precede the appearance of moralizing gods. This suggests that ritual practices were more important than the particular content of religious belief to the initial rise of social complexity.

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New England Journal of Medicine

April 11, 2019 Vol. 380 No. 15 http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal Perspective

<u>Shifting the Paradigm — Applying Universal Standards of Care to Ebola Virus Disease</u>

William A. Fischer, II, M.D., Ian Crozier, M.D., Daniel G. Bausch, M.D., Jean-Jacques Muyembe, M.D., Ph.D., Sabue Mulangu, M.D., Janet V. Diaz, M.D., Richard Kojan, M.D., David A. Wohl, M.D., and Shevin T. Jacob, M.D., M.P.H.

[Conclusion]

... It should no longer be acceptable to have two standards of care — one for patients in resource-constrained settings and another for those in countries where resources are more readily available. The ongoing response to EVD is teaching us that higher standards are no longer aspirational but are possible, and that during inevitable future outbreaks of EVD, no matter how remote the setting, we can provide people who are sick and suffering with the type of care that we would want to receive

Perspective

Physicians as Border Guards — The Troubling Exam for Immigrants K. Kidia

Khameer Kidia, M.D.

Rules proposed by the Trump administration depend on physicians performing "exams" to spot immigrants who are sick enough to become reliant on the government for living costs. The impact would be devastating for immigrants who are denied visas.

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

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Volume 37, Issue 3, March 2019 https://link.springer.com/journal/40273/37/3 [Reviewed earlier]

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The incidence of pregnancy hypertension in India, Pakistan, Mozambique, and Nigeria: A prospective population-level analysis

Laura A. Magee, Sumedha Sharma, Hannah L. Nathan, Olalekan O. Adetoro, Mrutynjaya B. Bellad, Shivaprasad Goudar, Salécio E. Macuacua, Ashalata Mallapur, Rahat Qureshi, Esperança Sevene, John Sotunsa, Anifa Valá, Tang Lee, Beth A. Payne, Marianne Vidler, Andrew H. Shennan, Zulfiqar A. Bhutta, Peter von Dadelszen, the CLIP Study Group | published 12 Apr 2019 PLOS Medicine

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Viewpoints

Broken drug markets in infectious diseases: Opportunities outside the private sector?

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Author summary

A subset of anti-infective drugs are increasingly unavailable for patients in the United States due to pricing or withdrawal from the market. Timely market solutions are needed. We assert that solutions to ensure access to some essential anti-infective agents lie outside capital markets and that public-private partnerships may be the most viable solution.

Policy Platform

<u>Challenges and opportunities for control and elimination of soil-transmitted helminth</u> infection beyond 2020

Matthew C. Freeman, Oladele Akogun, Vicente Belizario Jr., Simon J. Brooker, Theresa W. Gyorkos, Rubina Imtiaz, Alejandro Krolewiecki, Seung Lee, Sultani H. Matendechero, Rachel L. Pullan, Jürg Utzinger

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Research Article

Community-based surveillance: A scoping review

Involving community members in identifying and reporting health events for public health surveillance purposes, an approach commonly described as community-based surveillance (CBS), is increasingly gaining interest. We conducted a scoping review to list terms and definitions used to characterize CBS, to identify and summarize available guidance and recommendations, and to map information on past and existing in-country CBS systems.

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Evolution of social norms and correlated equilibria

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Significance

We consider social norms as collections of beliefs or superstitions about events occurring in nature.

These events have no inherent meaning, but individuals can choose to believe that they do.

Specifically, individuals can interpret events as prescribing behaviors for themselves along with expectations of the behaviors of others. We show how evolutionary competition between such beliefs can give rise to both prescriptive and descriptive self-enforcing norms that can allow populations to coordinate behavior. Our model provides an evolutionary account for how normative meaning emerges in an inherently meaningless world.

Abstract

Social norms regulate and coordinate most aspects of human social life, yet they emerge and change as a result of individual behaviors, beliefs, and expectations. A satisfactory account for the evolutionary dynamics of social norms, therefore, has to link individual beliefs and expectations to population-level dynamics, where individual norms change according to their consequences for individuals. Here, we present a model of evolutionary dynamics of social norms that encompasses this objective and addresses the emergence of social norms. In this model, a norm is a set of behavioral prescriptions and a set of environmental descriptions that describe the expected behaviors of those with whom the norm holder will interact. These prescriptions and descriptions are functions of exogenous environmental events. These events have no intrinsic meaning or effect on the payoffs to individuals, yet beliefs/superstitions regarding them can effectuate coordination. Although a norm's prescriptions and descriptions are dependent on one another, we show how they emerge from random accumulations of beliefs. We categorize the space of social norms into several natural classes and study the evolutionary competition between these classes of norms. We apply our model to the Game of Chicken and the Nash Bargaining Game. Furthermore, we show how the space of norms and evolutionary stability are dependent on the correlation structure of the environment and under which such correlation structures social dilemmas can be ameliorated or exacerbated.

Systems thinking as a pathway to global warming beliefs and attitudes through an ecological worldview

Matthew T. Ballew, Matthew H. Goldberg, Seth A. Rosenthal, Abel Gustafson, and Anthony Leiserowitz PNAS first published April 8, 2019. https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1819310116 Significance

Systems thinking is recognized as vital to understanding climate science and addressing climate change. Understanding how systems thinking influences the public's beliefs and attitudes about climate change has important implications for climate change education and communication. Our findings indicate that across the political spectrum, systems thinking may facilitate an ecological ethic or value system that humans should preserve and protect the natural world rather than exploit it. This, in turn, may strengthen proclimate views and understanding of climate change (e.g., that global warming is happening, is human-caused, etc.). The findings contribute to systems thinking theory and indicate the importance of promoting systems thinking to support proclimate science beliefs, attitudes, and behaviors across political lines.

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Volume 34 - Issue 1 - February 2019 https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/prehospital-and-disaster-medicine/latest-issue [Reviewed earlier]

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Review article Abstract only

<u>Measles outbreaks in Italy: A paradigm of the re-emergence of vaccine-preventable diseases in developed countries</u>

Alessandro Siani Pages 99-104

Review article Abstract only

Prenatal vaccination of mothers and hepatitis B vaccination of their infants

Erika L. Fuchs, Jonathan M. Starkey, Richard E. Rupp, Abbey B. Berenson Pages 68-73

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<u>Tiempo de Vacunarte (time to get vaccinated): Outcomes of an intervention to improve HPV vaccination rates in a predominantly Hispanic community</u>

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Reverse global vaccine dissent

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In Depth

Report urges massive digitization of biospecimens

By Elizabeth Pennisi

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"Extended specimens" would link images and data.

Summarv

For the past 8 years, the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) has sponsored the \$100 million, 10-year Advancing Digitization of Biodiversity Collections program, which has paid for nearly 62 million biological specimens to be digitally photographed from multiple angles for specific research studies. Already, natural history and evolutionary studies are benefiting from easy access to information previously locked in museums. The United States should now create an all-encompassing database of the billion stuffed, dried, and otherwise preserved plants, animals, and fossils in museums and other collections, an NSF-sponsored white paper released last week urges. The report also calls for new approaches to cataloging digitized specimens and linking them to other data. If the plan is carried out, "There will be [a] huge potential impact for the research community to do new types of research," says NSF Biology Program Director Reed Beaman in Alexandria, Virginia. But the effort could take decades and cost up to half a billion dollars, and some fear the white paper will not win over policymakers.

Social Science & Medicine

Volume 225 Pages 1-138 (March 2019) https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/social-science-and-medicine/vol/225/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

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Stanford Social Innovation Review

Spring 2019 Volume 17, Number 2 https://ssir.org/issue/fall_2018

For nearly a century public policy making has been informed more by theory than by practice: a group of experts propose prescriptions, and elected officials turn these into laws and programs. In "The New Practice of Public Problem Solving," the cover story in the Spring 2019 issue of Stanford Social Innovation Review, two authors from a Washington, DC, think tank propose a new approach that is faster, more bottom-up, and more iterative.

Health

The Crisis of Youth Mental Health

By Eliot Brenner

Children and adolescents confront a mental health treatment gap in which many who need help do not get it. Philanthropy can help fill this gap by investing in new models of delivering care

Sustainability

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Methodology

<u>Searching for health equity: validation of a search filter for ethnic and socioeconomic inequalities in transport</u>

Efforts to improve health equity should be informed by the best available evidence. However, equity-related research is inconsistently indexed, and uses a variety of terms to describe key concepts, making it difficult to reliably identify all relevant studies. We report the development and validation of a search strategy for studies investigating whether the effects of interventions differ by ethnicity or socioeconomic status, using the field of transport and health as an example.

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New Technologies: Where to?

This issue focuses on new technologies and their potential benefits for humanity as well as their expanding use in advancing the 2030 Agenda. It explores the promise of our digital age, while posing

important questions about where these technologies are leading us, and how their misuse could also lead to increased inequality and conflict.

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

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World Heritage Review

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World Heritage Success Stories

The World Heritage Convention is a legal tool. In adhering to it, countries commit to protect heritage within their borders and to refrain from any deliberate measures that might damage directly or indirectly the cultural and natural heritage of the territory of other States Parties to this Convention.

The true measure of the Convention is the effectiveness of its implementation. It is the concrete results that matter, for the sites and for the people who live in or near them. When there are positive results at one World Heritage property, all countries that are party to the Convention can benefit from this success.

In this issue, we look at specific cases of actions at World Heritage sites that have benefited and improved their state of conservation...



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