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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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### **Security Council Adopts Resolution Calling upon Belligerents Worldwide to Adopt Concrete Commitments on Ending Sexual Violence in Conflict**

Security Council 8514th Meeting (AM)

*Members Pass Resolution 2467 (2019) by 13 Votes in Favour, None against, as China, Russian Federation Abstain*

The Security Council called today upon warring parties around the globe to implement concrete commitments to fight what many speakers described as the heinous, barbaric and all-too-often silent phenomenon of sexual violence during conflict.

Adopting resolution 2467 (2019) by a vote of 13 in favour to none against, with 2 abstentions (China, Russian Federation), during a wide-ranging debate on the prevention and implications of sexual violence, the Council reiterated its demand for the complete cessation of all acts of sexual violence by all parties to armed conflict.

Calling upon the latter to implement specific, time-bound commitments to combat the crime, the Council welcomed efforts by the Secretary-General, his Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict and other relevant officials in seeking such commitments and implementation plans, aimed at preventing and addressing all acts and forms of sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict situations. The Council reiterated its deep concern that — despite its repeated condemnation of violence against women and children in situations of armed conflict, including sexual violence — the phenomenon continues to occur, often with impunity, and in some situations has become systematic and widespread, or reached appalling levels of brutality.

Encouraging Member States to adopt a survivor-centered approach to ensure that survivors receive the care required by their specific needs without discrimination, the Council also called upon parties to conflict to include stipulations prohibiting such crimes in all ceasefire and peace agreements. It further urged States to recognize the equal rights of all affected individuals — including women, girls and children born of sexual violence — in national legislation and recognized the need to integrate prevention, response and elimination of the crime into all relevant Council resolutions, including authorizations and renewals of the mandates of peace missions.

Further by the terms of the resolution, the Council urged existing sanctions committees — where within the scope of the relevant designation criteria and consistent with the present and other relevant resolutions — to apply targeted sanctions against those who perpetrate and direct sexual violence during conflict. It reiterated its intention to consider including designation criteria pertaining to acts of rape and other forms of sexual violence when adopting or renewing targeted sanctions in situations of armed conflict...



## Yemen

### *Press Release*

#### **Two decades of Human Development already lost says UNDP-commissioned study on impact of war in Yemen**

Amman, 23 April 2019 – Ongoing conflict in Yemen has already reversed human development by 21 years, according to a UNDP-commissioned study released today. The study warns of exponentially growing impacts of conflict on human development. It projects that if the war ends in 2022, development gains will have been set back by 26 years — almost a generation. If it continues through 2030, that setback will increase to four decades.

Commissioned by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Yemen and conducted by researchers from the Frederick S. Pardee Centre for International Futures, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver, the study entitled [\*Assessing the Impact of War on Development in Yemen\*](#) considers the impact of conflict on the priorities articulated in the globally agreed Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals. The study compares three potential quantitative modelling scenarios for the conflict ending in 2019, 2022 and 2030 against a hypothetical scenario where the conflict did not escalate after 2014. Based on the scenarios, the study attempts to quantify the impact of conflict on multiple dimensions of development, including demographic outlook, economic conditions, infrastructures, health and education.

“Human development has not just been interrupted. It has been reversed,” asserted UNDP Yemen Resident Representative, Auke Lootsma. “Even if there were to be peace tomorrow, it could take decades for Yemen to return to pre-conflict levels of development. This is a big loss for the people of Yemen.”...

...“The long-term impacts of conflict are vast and place it among the most destructive conflicts since the end of the Cold War,” states the report; and further deterioration of the situation “will add significantly to prolonged human suffering, retard human development in Yemen, and could further deteriorate regional stability.”

### *Report*

#### **Assessing the Impact of War on Development in Yemen**

UNDP 2019 :: 68 pages

Jonathan D. Moyer | David Bohl | Taylor Hanna | Brendan R. Mapes | Mickey Rafa

PDF: [http://www.arabstates.undp.org/content/dam/rbas/doc/Crisis%20prevention/FINAL%20UNDP-Y\\_FullReport\\_041919\\_print-compressed.pdf](http://www.arabstates.undp.org/content/dam/rbas/doc/Crisis%20prevention/FINAL%20UNDP-Y_FullReport_041919_print-compressed.pdf)

*Prior to the escalation of conflict in 2015, development in Yemen was strained. A country of 30 million people, Yemen ranked: (a) 153rd on the Human Development Index (HDI); (b) 138th in extreme poverty; (c) 147th in life expectancy; (d) 172nd in educational attainment; and, (e) was in the World Bank low-middle income category. Projections suggest that Yemen would not have achieved any of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030 even in the absence of conflict.*

This study on the “Impact of War on Development in Yemen”, was commissioned end of 2018 in collaboration with Frederick S. Pardee Center for International Futures, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver. The researchers undertook the analytical work with a desire to understand the impact of war in Yemen across human, social and economic dimensions of development. The analysis was undertaken by calibrating a quantitative modeling system called International Futures (IFs) to fit the available information on the impact of war in Yemen to date, and then create four hypothetical analytical scenarios to be explored. One where the conflict ends in 2019, 2022 and finally one where conflict extents all the way to 2030. To assess the impacts from the conflict across the three conflict scenarios the fourth scenario represents a counter-factual world in which conflict did not escalate beyond 2014. The result is an impact study that quantifies the damages of the war in Yemen across multiple dimension of development such as loss of lives, health, demographics, education, infrastructure and the economy, etc.

The study is intended to advocate to the parties to the conflict on the consequences of the conflict on medium- and long-term development, as recovery to the pre-conflict levels would require two to three generations. At the same time the study intends to inform the general public, including the international community, about the level of devastation caused by the conflict in Yemen, and ask those who have influence over either party to the conflict to urgently push towards a sustainable peace deal and a stop to further escalation. The situation is already extremely severe. If it deteriorates further it will add significantly to prolonged human suffering, retard human development in Yemen, and could further deteriorate regional stability.

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## **Governance – Multilateralism**

### **Through effective multilateralism, States can create norms that uphold our humanity**

*ICRC Statement to UN General Assembly High Level Event to Commemorate and Promote the International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace*  
25-04-2019 | Statement

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is pleased to join in today's commemoration of the first official International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace.

As the guardian of international humanitarian law (IHL), a neutral, impartial and independent humanitarian actor, and a multiple recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize honoured for our humanitarian activities during war, the ICRC deems it important to provide our perspective on this critical topic. In particular we wish to highlight the interrelated nature of humanity and multilateralism.

In the aftermath of the Second World War, States recognized that if wars cannot be prevented they must be waged within certain limits. Humanity brought States together to draft, negotiate and adopt the four Geneva Conventions of 1949, which today are core to IHL and represent a shared commitment to humanity. Universally ratified, these rules of war are the quintessential product of multilateral consensus. They demonstrate what is possible through effective multilateralism: together States can create norms, uphold them and take action.

These Geneva Conventions were designed to protect the safety, dignity and well-being of people affected by conflict. The original drafters knew that when we invest in our shared humanity, we see positive results. Torture and ill treatment or rape and other forms of sexual violence are prevented. Hospitals can function and medical personnel are able to help the wounded and the sick. People who are detained are treated humanely. We are able to view our enemies as humans. When upheld and respected the collective result of international humanitarian law is less human suffering.

Humanity and multilateralism are at the heart of the United Nations and bring us today together. In this multilateral fora we create the norms that uphold our humanity. This year we mark the 70th anniversary of the Geneva Conventions. Let us remember the spirit of these Conventions and uphold human dignity even in the midst of war. It is our collective responsibility to ensure these laws are respected. Through multilateralism we can achieve this.

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## **Health, Development, Drones**

### **UNICEF expands network of drone testing corridors**

*Press release*

New York, 25 APRIL 2019 – **Sierra Leone will serve as a new drone-testing site for humanitarian and development initiatives to improve the lives of children in hard to reach areas. The country will be the fourth in a network of drone testing corridors launched by UNICEF and the governments of Malawi, Vanuatu and Kazakhstan. Plans are also underway to launch a similar drone testing corridor in Namibia.**

UNICEF and the Government of Sierra Leone (led by the Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation and Ministry of Transport and Aviation) will establish a drone corridor for the development and testing of drones for aerial imagery and transportation. Aerial imaging projects will include mapping infrastructure, agriculture and transportation to focus on the delivery of life-saving medical supplies and perishable goods. The initiative will support education programs to build the skills needed to operate and maintain drones locally.

"From the world's first drone-delivered vaccines in Vanuatu, to the tallest drone airspace for search and rescue in Kazakhstan, to stopping the spread of malaria in Malawi, we're constantly expanding the ways in which we can use drones for social good," said Christopher Fabian Principal Adviser of UNICEF Office of Innovation, "But today's expansion of a drone corridor in Sierra Leone is proof we won't stop there. UNICEF is exploring ways of delivering similar solutions in a variety of environments – globally and at scale."

In the Zambezi region of Namibia which has a high prevalence of HIV, UNICEF Namibia plans to use a drone delivery network to eventually transport blood samples from rural areas to central laboratories. During the rainy seasons, rural communities in the region are often cut off by floods for up to six months. Drones could render these unreachable communities within reach, making a significant contribution to efforts to tackle HIV and AIDS.

To further extend its drones programme, UNICEF will work with Irelandia Aviation to research, prototype and test innovative solutions for drone operations. The collaboration will strengthen efforts

for large-scale mapping, machine learning, data analytics and the emergency response capability of the countries where UNICEF has drone programmes.

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## **Responsible Commodities Sourcing – Cobalt, Non-Ferrous Metals**

### **LME to shake up rules on responsibly sourced metals**

*Concerns over cobalt that may have been mined by children has prompted change*

Neil Hume, Natural Resources Editor

*Financial Times*, April 22, 2019

The London Metal Exchange will only allow responsibly sourced metals to be traded from 2022, as rising demand from consumers and investors for sustainable products prompts one of the biggest shake-ups in the organisation's history.

Under the new rules, producers operating in high-risk areas or conflict zones will need to meet international guidelines on responsible sourcing or face being delisted from the 142-year-old exchange.

The plans,...mark a significant departure from the exchange's history in which metallurgical standards have determined the brands of metals eligible to trade on the LME, the world's biggest marketplace for the likes of copper, zinc and aluminium.

However, **responsible sourcing has come into focus after it emerged in 2017 that some of the cobalt — a key material in the batteries of smartphones and electric vehicles — traded on the LME could have been mined by children in the Democratic Republic of Congo...**

*London Metals Exchange Press Release*

### **LME launches consultation on the introduction of responsible sourcing standards across all listed brands**

23 April 2019

*:: Builds on broad market engagement to LME's 2018 responsible sourcing position paper*

*:: LME consultation details proposed responsible sourcing requirements for all listed brands*

*:: Requirements are consistent with, or build on, the core OECD Guidance, and utilise responsible sourcing work already undertaken by the industry*

*:: Phased approach to transparency to encourage all producers to embrace a fully open approach, including in respect of financial crime and corruption risks*

The London Metal Exchange ("LME") today launched a formal market-wide consultation on proposed rules for the application of responsible sourcing principles to all LME-listed brands. These rules build on the strong engagement with market stakeholders to the LME's October 2018 position paper, and reflect the broad range of feedback which the LME has received.

Matthew Chamberlain, LME CEO, commented, "Our comprehensive market engagement exercise has revealed strong support for the LME taking action on this important topic. The LME's role is now to appropriately balance the differing views of market stakeholders when implementing our requirements – and we are pleased to have been able to do so in today's proposals. **For example, based on the constructive feedback of civil society organisations, we have enhanced our transparency requirements, and at the same time, we have respected the views of producers who have called for more achievable timelines and a clearly-defined reporting process."**

**The LME's proposed rules will require all of its listed brands to undertake a Red Flag Assessment, based on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD") Guidance, by the end of 2020. If this assessment demonstrates potential responsible sourcing red flags, then that brand will be classified as a Higher-Focus Brand and will also need to be audited as compliant with an OECD-aligned standard by the end of 2022.**

The LME's phased transparency approach will ensure that all LME-listed brands publish fully attributed Red Flag Assessments to the market by the end of 2024, while respecting requirements of commercial confidentiality. In this way, the LME will deploy the twin tools of transparency (allowing interested stakeholders to engage with a brand on its responsible sourcing strategy) and standards (providing certainty to buyers of metal on the LME, and hence global consumers, that all brands meet a minimum level of responsible sourcing compliance). **The LME is committed to a consensual approach, but if proved to be ineffective, the LME's core power is to suspend or delist brands which do not engage on either transparency or standards alignment.**

The LME's requirements are consistent with the OECD Guidance, and have been designed specifically to respect and build on work already undertaken by industry bodies and companies in designing Red Flag Assessment templates and standards. However, based on stakeholder feedback, the LME's proposals adopt a broad interpretation of the core OECD requirements in certain key respects. In addition to transparency standards, these requirements include a more comprehensive set of potential risks which may trigger red flags, as well as requiring ISO, OHSAS or equivalent standards for environmental management and occupational health and safety.

The LME has also taken on board market feedback around the balance between large-scale mining ("LSM") and artisanal and small-scale mining ("ASM") – and believes that, with the right governance, it can provide meaningful protection against the risks involved in both. The LME is therefore committed to adopting a fair and non-discriminatory approach to ASM and LSM in its responsible sourcing initiatives and implementing an appropriate risk assessment tailored to both models. In particular, the Red Flag Assessment will require producers to confirm whether they facilitate the disclosure of potential financial crime and corruption risks under the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative ("EITI"), thus addressing one of the key concerns in respect of LSM.

Finally, the LME recognises that the metals trading community wishes to make a tangible contribution to progress and improvement in the physical market which it serves. Accordingly, **the LME has allocated an initial contribution of US\$2 million, from the proceeds of fines levied on the LME market, to charitable initiatives in the responsible sourcing sector.**

**"Global consumers rightly demand action on responsible sourcing – and our industry must listen. The LME is taking action because it is the right thing to do, but also because the value of our market is based on providing metal which is acceptable to those consumers,** and because the metals sector looks to us to provide leadership on these important topics. Our role will necessarily be to forge a consensus between the potentially divergent views of various stakeholders – and this role is never popular. Nevertheless, we are committed to playing our part in this movement," Chamberlain added

Tyler Gillard, Head of OECD's Responsible Business Conduct Unit said "The OECD is delighted to have



worked with the LME over recent months in order to drive its responsible sourcing proposals forward. It is always a challenge to balance the broad range of market views while aligning with global standards. We are happy to see that the LME's approach, which builds on existing frameworks, strikes the right balance and provides a strong basis for the responsible sourcing of metals in line with the OECD Guidance."

Sun Lihui, Director of the Development Department of the China Chamber of Commerce of Metals Minerals & Chemicals Importers & Exporters ("CCCME") said "In recent years, the global focus on responsible sourcing of raw materials has expanded from traditional physical requirements to include environmental, social and governance ("ESG") concerns. As the world's most influential non-ferrous metal trading exchange, the LME is the first to formulate and publish a responsible sourcing policy on copper, aluminium, lead, zinc, nickel, tin, and cobalt. It plays a positive role in transforming and leading the global non-ferrous metals industry procurement and trade policy, and will promote companies to improve their supply chain management capacity continuously. It is not easy to establish an inclusive, balanced, effective and practical responsible sourcing policy because of the complexity, persistent and variation of supply chain risks of different metals. The LME is committed to addressing this challenge in a multi-stakeholder approach. I am pleased to have participated in and witnessed the drafting and revision of this policy, and I am willing to work closely with the LME to make a positive contribution on building a responsible, green, inclusive and sustainable supply chain of raw materials."

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### **LME proposes requirements for the responsible sourcing of metal in listed brands**

5 October 2018

The London Metal Exchange (LME) today published a position paper detailing new proposed requirements for listed brands regarding the responsible sourcing of metals, which align with the principles set out by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) "Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas" (Guidance)...

...The LME will work together with producers to assist them in assessing and identifying the "red flags" (as prescribed in the OECD Guidance) associated with the production of individual brands, which will then be classified as either "higher-focus" or "lower-focus". **Higher-focus brands – which will automatically include all cobalt and tin brands due to their higher risk of being affected by responsible sourcing concerns – will be required to adopt a standard that is aligned with the OECD Guidance and must demonstrate via an external "alignment assessment" and audit process the respective compliance of the standard to the guidance and of the brand to the standard.**

For the other eight physically settled base metals listed on the LME (aluminium, both aluminium alloys, copper, lead, molybdenum, nickel and zinc), brands will be classified subject to the results of the red flag self-assessment....

#### *Cobalt provisions*

**The LME notes specifically the market concerns in respect of cobalt**, and is proposing a transitional provision which would come into effect by the third quarter of 2019, whereby cobalt brands which are exerting a demonstrable negative impact on LME pricing (which may be due to market



concerns as to the responsible sourcing credentials of that brand) may be subject to action at an earlier date.

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## Featured Journal Content

### Lancet Global Health

Apr 2019 Volume 7 Number 4 e385-e532

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

*Editorial*

#### **The true meaning of leaving no one behind**

The Lancet Global Health

Sometimes it is important to go back to basics. For human interaction, one of the basics is language, the system of communication that, when applied at its best, allows us to understand each other, share, cooperate, and pull each other towards a better place. When on a collective journey towards a common objective such as the Sustainable Development Goals, with a rallying cry of “leaving no one behind” and a central aim of “reaching the furthest behind first”, this system of communication is fundamental to move beyond just the rhetorical: to be truly reached, the furthest one behind will need to understand what she is being told, and most likely, that exchange will have to be done in her own language. That principle should apply to all aspects of development, including global health.

With roughly 7000 living languages in the world, miscommunication is inevitable, but there are times and places when particular care should be taken to ensure that the message is clear and fully understood. Take the highly volatile situation of Ebola in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) for instance. Since the outbreak was declared in August 2018, there have been over 1000 confirmed and probable cases in North Kivu and Ituri provinces. Because the trauma of conflict has compounded the impact of the outbreak on the population, community engagement and ownership of the response are particularly important in the DRC. Last month, Translators without Borders released the [results of a rapid study](#) evaluating the effectiveness of risk communication materials on Ebola used in North Kivu. The results are striking: they show that materials used for the response—posters, brochures, and consent forms for the Ebola vaccine, some in French, some in standard or local Congolese Swahili—are not fully understood. Basic vocabulary in French related to Ebola was not recognised in focus groups and half of the participants misinterpreted a poster inviting the sick to present to the nearest health centre as the complete opposite, that they would not be welcome there. Consent forms used for the Ebola vaccine were also generally misunderstood, as they contained words in standard Swahili, French, and English that were not known to the participants, raising further ethical issues. This study presents the epitome of where and when the basics of language should be better applied to reach “the furthest behind” in global health.

Global health research in general should concern itself with language. As in most scientific fields, English is established as the dominant tongue. Some will rightfully argue that researchers need a lingua franca, a common language in which to communicate, but English is not strictly that: for some (indeed, a minority) it is their mother tongue, but for the rest it is a second language, one that can be mastered at varying levels of fluency, or not mastered at all. That clearly implies that when it comes to the handiwork of research—the searching for funds, the publishing, the reading, the presenting—not everyone is on the same plane, and some are left behind. A Comment published this week presents the

reflections and ideas of a group of francophone researchers during a workshop at the Africa Health Agenda International Conference (AHAIC) in Kigali, Rwanda, last month on this very issue. Our readers will appreciate that we could not in good conscience publish this Comment in any language other than French, and will, we hope, take the extra step of accessing the English translation in the supplementary material if needed. The main message is that linguistic isolation and the barriers it creates are real and deeply ingrained, but also that there is a way forward. The solutions will require more consideration of the needs of different linguistic groups, the creation of support networks, and more linguistic collaboration in general. One initiative that fits neatly within these criteria is the [Science and Language Mobility Scheme Africa](#), led by the African Academy of Sciences in partnership with the Wellcome Trust and Institut Pasteur. This brand-new programme funds research done by anglophone, francophone, and maybe soon lusophone researchers in language regions other than their own, in order to strengthen scientific collaboration while building language skills and improving cultural understanding between researchers from different linguistic backgrounds.

Such efforts are to be applauded. Leaving no one behind will require more than glancing back from a position of linguistic power and hoping everyone follows. It will require everyone, journals included, to reach out to the other and find concrete solutions to this most basic dilemma.

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## **Ebola**

### **Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo**

25 April 2019

**This past week witnessed a notable escalation of security incidents surrounding the Ebola virus disease (EVD) response efforts. On 19 April, an attack on a hospital in Katwa by armed militia resulted in the tragic death of Dr Richard Mouzoko Kiboung, a WHO epidemiologist, and the injury of two other healthcare workers. To ensure the safety of all outbreak responders, Ebola response activities have been temporarily halted in some high-risk health areas until security measures can be reinforced.**

WHO, the UN, and the government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo are actively collaborating to review current strategic and operational security measures to ensure the protection of healthcare workers in the field, and improve effective coordination and information sharing amongst all security elements covering the response. Existing operational security measures continue to be implemented and strengthened as well, including the establishment of security perimeters around the residences of EVD response personnel, increasing security at fixed locations, enhancing the joint quick response team (QRT) capacities of local police and UN security forces, and ensuring staff compliance with tracking procedures and adherence to curfew. These measures and other security risk management processes will be continually updated to reflect the needs of the evolving security situation on the ground.

In addition to revising security measures, efforts in community outreach through direct dialogue with various community leaders are also being intensified. Since January, there has been a notable increase in community resistance incidents, primarily around Katwa and Butembo. Incidents in April are anticipated to reach or go beyond March levels. As gaining community understanding and acceptance is integral to our ability to mount an effective outbreak response, community engagement efforts

remain a significant element of our response to alleviate future security risks to healthcare workers, develop and increase local community capacity to ensure continuity of response operations, and improve the overall security situation in EVD hotspot areas...

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## **Emergencies**

### **POLIO**

*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*

#### **Polio this week as of 24 April 2019**

:: Starting 24 April to 30 April 2019, World Immunization Week is celebrated across the world. This year's theme is Protected Together: Vaccines Work!, which aims to spotlight the important role parents, communities, health workers, innovators and everyday vaccine heroes play in ensuring everybody benefits from the lifesaving vaccines.

*Summary of new viruses this week:*

:: ***Afghanistan***—three wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases and three WPV1-positive environmental samples;

:: ***Pakistan***—advance notification of two wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases and 13 WPV1-positive environmental samples;

:: ***Nigeria***—two circulating vaccine-derived type 2 (cVDPV2) cases and six cVDPV2-positive environmental samples;

:: ***Democratic Republic of Congo*** — one cVDPV2 case and two cVDPV2 community isolates; ::

***Somalia***—one cVDPV2 case and one cVDPV2 contact isolate.

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### **New York Times**

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

*Accessed 27 Apr 2019*

*Asia Pacific*

#### **Polio Vaccinator Is Shot and Killed in Pakistan**

April 25

The woman was part of a vaccination campaign. Another worker in her team was injured. A total of three polio workers have been killed this week as unfounded rumors against vaccines spread.

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### ***Editor's Note:***

*WHO has posted a [refreshed emergencies page](#) which presents an updated listing of Grade 3,2,1 emergencies as below.*

**WHO Grade 3 Emergencies** [to 27 Apr 2019]

**Democratic Republic of the Congo**

:: Zero Palu: Each household, each community, accelerate the commitment in the fight against malaria in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

25 April 2019 Kinshasa -- The Democratic Republic of Congo has joined forces with the entire international community to commemorate World Malaria Day, under the theme: 'Zero palu! I'm in !'.  
Read the story in French

:: 38: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu 24 April 2019

:: DONs - Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo 25 April 2019

### **Syrian Arab Republic**

:: WHO-supported vaccination campaign to immunize 2.8 million children against vaccine-preventable diseases

22 April 2019, Damascus, Syria – Over the next 6 days, the World Health Organization (WHO), in cooperation with the Syrian Ministry of Health and UNICEF, will conduct a series of national immunization days to immunize children under the age of 5 against vaccine-preventable diseases, including tuberculosis, pertussis, diphtheria, polio, tetanus, hepatitis B, haemophilus influenza, measles, mumps and rubella.

WHO aims to vaccinate approximately 2.8 million children under the age of 5 in 13 governorates in Syria. The campaign will focus on reaching almost 250 000 children who were not vaccinated during previous campaigns. Over 6800 vaccinators and 2487 mobile medical teams will be deployed to 900 public health centres and 1268 temporary vaccination posts. WHO is providing technical support to the Ministry of Health and covering the operational costs of the campaign...

### **Yemen**

:: Government of Japan support to WHO response in Yemen 24 April 2019

...n 2019, donations from Japan will continue to allow WHO to scale up its capacity-building activities for national health care personnel. These activities will target thousands of health professionals across the country, building on their capacity to deliver pre-hospital care...

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis - No new digest announcements identified

Cyclone Idai - No new digest announcements identified

Myanmar - No new digest announcements identified

Nigeria - No new digest announcements identified

Somalia - No new digest announcements identified

South Sudan - No new digest announcements identified

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### **WHO Grade 2 Emergencies** [to 27 Apr 2019]

#### **Brazil (in Portuguese)**

:: Últimas notícias OPAS lança iniciativa que prioriza combate à malária em municípios onde se concentram maioria dos casos

26 de abril de 2019 – Uma nova iniciativa da Organização Pan-Americana da Saúde (OPAS) tem como objetivo abordar a carga da malária na região das Américas, onde o número de casos é mais concentrado. Chamado de “Municípios eliminando a malária”, o projeto se centrará em reunir atores-chaves com o fim de apoiar os esforços locais para adotar medidas efetivas contra a doença.

Cameroon - No new digest announcements identified

Central African Republic - No new digest announcements identified

Ethiopia - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Libya - *No new digest announcements identified*  
MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Niger - *No new digest announcements identified*  
occupied Palestinian territory - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Ukraine - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Zimbabwe - *No new digest announcements identified*

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#### **WHO Grade 1 Emergencies** [to 27 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 - Typhoon Mangkhut - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Tanzania - *No new digest announcements identified*

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#### **UN OCHA – L3 Emergencies**

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

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*  
Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified*

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#### **UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies**

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

#### **CYCLONE IDAI**

:: 26 April 2019 Southern Africa: Tropical Cyclone Kenneth Flash Update No. 3 ...

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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 27 Apr 2019]

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

26 April 2019

HR/5435

### **Indigenous Peoples Must Be Part of High-Level Decision-Making, Speakers Stress, Calling for Observer Status in General Assembly, as Permanent Forum Continues**

24 April 2019

GA/12140

### **Speakers Call for Reinvigorated Multilateralism, Stronger Diplomacy to Address Global Crises, as General Assembly Marks International Day**

Warning against unilateral moves, speakers called for reinvigorated multilateral responses to the contemporary challenges facing the international community, including climate change, geopolitical tensions, terrorism, poverty and inequalities, as the General Assembly today held a commemorative meeting observing the United Nations International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace.

23 April 2019

SG/SM/19552-OBV/1876

### **Amid Unsolved Conflicts, Growing Inequality, Multilateralism Needed More Than Ever to Achieve Peace, Secretary-General Says in Message for International Observance**

23 April 2019

SC/13790

### **Security Council Adopts Resolution Calling upon Belligerents Worldwide to Adopt Concrete Commitments on Ending Sexual Violence in Conflict**

The Security Council called today upon warring parties around the globe to implement concrete commitments to fight what many speakers described as the heinous, barbaric and all-too-often silent phenomenon of sexual violence during conflict.

**UN OHCHR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Top News*

### **UN experts call on Israel to overturn deportation of Human Rights Watch director**

### **Myanmar: UN experts call rejection of Reuters appeal a "grave injustice"**

### **Bachelet strongly condemns mass executions in Saudi Arabia**

### **"Smart mix" of measures needed to regulate new technologies – Bachelet**

### **UN human rights chief deeply concerned by mass terrorism convictions in Bahrain**

**United Nations Human Rights Council** [to 27 Apr 2019]

[https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR\\_COUNCIL](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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**SRSG/CAAC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

24 April, 2019

**[Statement of Pramila Patten Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict, Security Council Open Debate, 23 April 2019](#)**

**Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights** [to 27 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 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

26 March 2019

**[Plans to redevelop UK's Seven Sisters market pose human rights threat, say UN experts](#)**



**Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples** [to 27 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>

26 April 2019

**UN human rights experts raise alarm about the situation of Indian migrant workers in Gabon Special Economic Zone**

**UN OCHA** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Press Releases [as presented on webpage]*

26 April 2019

**UN humanitarian leaders highlight urgent need to sustain support for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh**

22 April 2019

**UN Humanitarian Coordinator in Nigeria Expresses Condolences for the Death of Two Aid Workers in Attack by Gunmen**

**Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNICEF** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Statements, Press Releases, Reports*

*Press release*

**Nearly 15,000 cases of malaria reported in areas of Mozambique affected by Cyclone Idai – UNICEF**

Concerns over increased caseload as world marks Malaria Day and second cyclone approaches

25/04/2019

*Press release*

**Norway commits \$150 million to UNICEF for the next three years**

25/04/2019

*Press release*

**Over 20 million children worldwide missed out on measles vaccine annually in past 8 years, creating a pathway to current global outbreaks - UNICEF**

24/04/2019

*Statement*

**UNICEF Statement on Easter Sunday attacks in Sri Lanka**

At least 45 children killed, scores injured and many orphaned  
23/04/2019

**UNHCR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

26 Apr 2019

**UN humanitarian leaders highlight urgent need to sustain support for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh**

**Joint UNHCR/IOM/OCHA Press Release**

**Fears for Venezuelans missing in Caribbean shipwreck**

26 Apr 2019

**UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi on Sri Lanka's attacks, and the rising death toll**

24 Apr 2019

**UNHCR evacuates hundreds of detained refugees in Libya to safety**

24 Apr 2019

**Mozambique starts moving Cyclone Idai survivors closer to home**

23 Apr 2019

**IOM / International Organization for Migration** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**Accra, Montreal and Sao Paulo conclude the pilot phase of the Local Migration Governance Indicators**

2019-04-26 18:30

New York - On 24 April, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) hosted representatives from the cities of Accra, Montreal, and Sao Paulo, as well as key experts on local migration to mark the conclusion of the pilot phase of Local Migration Governance Indicators (...)

**UN Humanitarian Leaders Highlight Urgent Need to Sustain Support for Rohingya Refugees in Bangladesh**

2019-04-26 18:10

Cox's Bazar — At the end of a joint visit to Bangladesh, three top United Nations officials – the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Mark Lowcock, Director General of the International Organization for Migration (IOM...

**Deep Concern as Thousands of Migrants Rounded Up in Yemen**

2019-04-26 18:05

Aden – Authorities have rounded up and arbitrarily detained over 2,000 irregular migrants, predominantly Ethiopian nationals, in Aden, Yemen, since Sunday, creating an acute humanitarian situation, to which aid organizations are rapidly responding.

### **IOM Leverages Community Policing to Address Trafficking in Persons in Iraq**

2019-04-26 17:39

Erbil – In the aftermath of the ISIL crisis, the Government of Iraq is dealing with a myriad of post-conflict challenges to rebuild the country, including creating economic opportunities, delivering social services, mending the social fabric in communities, and ensuring laws are...

### **Elimination of Malaria is Possible.... But only When Human Mobility is Considered**

2019-04-24 11:12

Geneva – Human mobility is a major social determinant of health that can increase malaria-related illness and deaths for migrants and host communities, especially along migration corridors.

**UNAIDS** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements*

24 April 2019

### **Keeping up the momentum in the global AIDS response**

23 April 2019

### **Women lead to reduce the impact of HIV and gender-based violence in the Middle East and North Africa**

**WHO & Regional Offices** [to 27 Apr 2019]

24 April 2019 *News release*

### **To grow up healthy, children need to sit less and play more**

23 April 2019 *News release*

### **Malaria vaccine pilot launched in Malawi**

*[See Malaria above for detail]*

23 April 2019 *Statement*

### **Fats, oils, food and food service industries should join global effort to eliminate industrial trans fat from processed food by 2023**

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### **WHO Regional Offices**

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

### **WHO African Region AFRO**

:: WHO briefs Diplomats on Ebola Preparedness and Response activities in Uganda

26 April 2019

:: World Malaria Day- Minister says, time is ripe to end the deadly disease for good.

26 April 2019

:: Uganda embarks on a multisectoral approach to improve Vaccination coverage against Human Papillomavirus 25 April 2019

:: Uganda Simulates Ebola Outbreak and Identifies Gaps in Preparedness and Response  
24 April 2019

:: Malaria vaccine pilot launched in Malawi 23 April 2019

### **WHO Region of the Americas PAHO**

:: PAHO provides guidance on improving the health of migrants in countries of the Americas  
(04/26/2019)

:: PAHO's 'Municipalities for Zero Malaria' initiative to tackle malaria at the local level (04/25/2019)

:: PAHO launches Vaccination Week in the Americas in Brazil, urging countries in the Region to unite to end measles (04/23/2019)

### **WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO**

:: Step up efforts to eliminate measles: WHO SEAR/PR/1711

New Delhi, 25 April 2019: Amidst increasing cases and outbreaks of measles globally, WHO today called upon countries in its South-East Asia Region to further accelerate efforts to ensure that everyone, everywhere receives the lifesaving benefits of immunization.

### **WHO European Region EURO**

:: EIW 2019 statement by Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary of Denmark – We can all be vaccine heroes 24-04-2019

:: Joint statement: European Immunization Week 24-04-2019

:: European Immunization Week celebrates the everyday heroes who help protect us all from dangerous diseases 23-04-2019

### **WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO**

:: Support for people with HIV affected by recent flooding in Islamic Republic of Iran  
25 April 2019

:: Government of Japan support to WHO response in Yemen 25 April 2019

:: Vaccination campaign to immunize 2.8 million children in Syria 22 April 2019

### **WHO Western Pacific Region**

*No new digest content identified.*

### **World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2019/>

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UNDP** United Nations Development Programme [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Press Releases/Announcements*

### **UNDP Yemen Report**

Ongoing conflict in Yemen has already reversed human development by 21 years, according to a UNDP-commissioned study released today.

Posted on April 23, 2019

*[See Week in Review above for more detail]*

### **UN Division for Sustainable Development** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://unsdsn.org/news/>

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division** [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UNISDR** UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.unisdr.org/archive>

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UN DESA** United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News*

### **At China's Belt and Road Forum, Guterres calls for 'inclusive, sustainable and durable' development**

26 April 2019, Beijing

China's international trade and economic development plan – known as the Belt and Road Initiative – could contribute to a more equitable, prosperous world, and to reversing the negative impact of climate change, Secretary-General António Guterres said on Friday, speaking in Beijing, China.

Addressing Chinese President Xi Jinping and dozens of other state leaders at the Second Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation, Mr. Guterres urged the international community to “come

together” in mobilizing resources to implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and “to stop runaway climate change.”

“China’s leadership on climate action is helping to show the way,” said the UN chief, noting the \$125 billion investment made by the Government in 2017, in renewable energy.

He pledged the support of United Nations country teams – which comprise UN agencies, funds and programmes operating in a country – saying the pillars of the Belt and Road Initiative link to the 17 SDGs, which include ending extreme poverty and hunger, and can translate into “real-life progress for people.”...

### **Traditional knowledge at ‘core’ of indigenous heritage, and ‘must be protected’, says UN Forum**

22 April 2019, New York

Traditional knowledge is at the core of indigenous identity, culture and heritage around the world, the chair of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues said at the annual event’s opening day on Monday, stressing that it “must be protected”...

**UNESCO** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

23 April 2019

### **UNESCO marks 20th anniversary of Second Protocol to 1954 Hague Convention on cultural heritage in times of armed conflict**

The Second Protocol complements the Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict, with enhanced protection and recognition of individuals’ criminal responsibility in cases of heritage destruction. To date 82 States have ratified the Second Protocol.

Two-hundred and fifty participants, including experts, government ministers and stakeholders are expected to attend the conference, which is organized with the support of the Government of Switzerland...

**International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNODC** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

Posted April 27, 2019

### **Launch of City Champions for UN Security Council Resolution on Youth, Peace and Security**

April 2019, New York – The 2019 Youth Forum of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) hosted youth participants from around the world to interact with policy and decision makers under the theme “Empowered, Included, and...”

Posted April 27, 2019

**UN-Habitat announces its Artificial Intelligence Initiative in Shanghai**

Shanghai, 26 April 2019— UN-Habitat convened an expert seminar of city leaders, planners, architects, academics and entrepreneurs in Shanghai Baoshan on how Artificial Intelligence could be a viable solution to urban challenges such as mobility, safety, efficiency,...

**FAO** Food & Agriculture Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**ILO** International Labour Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Rana Plaza anniversary*

**Enforce building code for all public establishments**

24 April 2019

The Rana Plaza building collapse in April 2013 took the lives of 1100 workers. Many more were injured and often could not return to work. On the 6th anniversary of that tragic incident, the Country Director of ILO Bangladesh, Tuomo Poutiainen reflects on working conditions in present-day Bangladesh.

*Occupational safety and health*

**Guy Ryder: 'All countries should ratify health and safety conventions'**

23 April 2019

Speaking in Russia ahead of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, ILO Director-General, Guy Ryder, said the well-being of workers continues to be a priority for the ILO as the world of work undergoes rapid change.

**ICAO** International Civil Aviation Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**IMO** International Maritime Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**WMO** World Meteorological Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

Publish Date: 28 March 2019

**State of the Climate in 2018 shows accelerating climate change impacts**

The physical signs and socio-economic impacts of climate change are accelerating as record greenhouse gas concentrations drive global temperatures towards increasingly dangerous levels, according to a new report from the World Meteorological Organization. The WMO Statement on the



State of the Global Climate in 2018, its 25th anniversary edition, highlights record sea level rise, as well as exceptionally high land and ocean temperatures over the past four years. This warming trend has lasted since the start of this century and is expected to continue.

**UPU** Universal Postal Union [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://news.upu.int/>

25.04.2019

**Statement of the Director General on the 145th Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union**

- The Universal Postal Union's 145th Anniversary is a cause for celebration across the international postal sector, but also an opportunity to pause, to reflect and to appreciate the organization's achievements in the 21st Century.

**UNIDO** United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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**UNIDO further engages with the Belt and Road Initiative**

BEIJING, 25 April 2019 – The Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), LI Yong, reiterated the Organization's willingness to further engage with the Belt and Road Initiative as an important means to promote and accelerate inclusive and sustainable industrial development.

**UNIDO Director General visits Huawei Headquarters to discuss cooperation on innovation and Industry 4.0**

SHENZHEN, 24 April 2019 - UNIDO Director General LI Yong took the opportunity of being in Shenzhen to strengthen the Organization's cooperation and partnership with the private sector, and paid a visit to the Shenzhen-based Huawei Technologies.

**International Organization for Standardization (ISO)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

[https://www.iso.org/news\\_archive/x/](https://www.iso.org/news_archive/x/)

By Elizabeth Gasiorowski-Denis on 26 April 2019

**ISO solutions for a safe and healthy future at work**

What does the future hold? This year on 28 April, the World Day for Safety and Health at Work draws attention to the future of work and reminds us of the importance of ISO solutions in combating work-related injuries, diseases and fatalities worldwide.

[ISO 45001](#), Occupational health and safety management systems – Requirements with guidance for use, provides a framework to increase safety, reduce workplace risks and enhance health and well-being at work, enabling an organization to proactively improve its OH&S performance.

**UNWTO** World Tourism Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://media.unwto.org/news>

*No new digest content identified.*

**WIPO** World Intellectual Property Organization [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

Apr 25, 2019 PR/2019/832

**World Intellectual Property Day 2019 "Reach for Gold: IP and Sports"**

World Intellectual Property Day 2019 explores how innovation, creativity and the intellectual property (IP) rights that encourage and protect them support the development and worldwide enjoyment of sports.

**CBD** Convention on Biological Diversity [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

2019-04-22

**Opening statement by Ms. Cristiana Paşca Palmer**, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, on the occasion of the eighteenth session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 22 April to 3 May 2019. **Theme:** **"Traditional knowledge: generation, transmission and protection"**

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**USAID** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 25, 2019

**Statement from USAID Administrator Mark Green on World Malaria Day**

On World Malaria Day, I reflect on my time as a teacher in Africa 30 years ago, when my students routinely fell ill with malaria and died. I lost students, parents lost their children, and villages lost entire generations to this deadly disease. This is why I am so proud of the transformative work the U.S. President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) does each day to bring cost-effective, life-saving tools, such as bed nets, insecticides, and medicines to people where they live.

**DFID** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development>

Updated: 26 April 2019

**Global problems to be tackled by UK from Space**

Building on a global reputation for expertise in satellite technology, the UK Space Agency will tackle certain environmental issues with space-based solutions.

From: Department for International Development and 2 others

**UK government supports global action to fight illegal wildlife trade**

There has been progress in key areas in the six months since the UK government staged the largest-ever Illegal Wildlife Trade conference in October 2018 including the launch of education packs.

From: Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs and 2 others

Updated: 24 April 2019

**ECHO** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

26/04/2019

### **EU releases €1.5 million in immediate assistance after cyclone Kenneth hits Mozambique and Comoros**

Following the extensive damage caused by tropical cyclone Kenneth in northern Mozambique and Comoros, the EU is providing initial €1.5 million to help the people affected by the heavy rainfall and destruction that the new cyclone left in its trail....

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**African Union** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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### **African Union Launches the Transitional Justice Policy**

April 25, 2019

### **World Malaria Day: "Zero Malaria Starts with Me"**

April 25, 2019

**ASEAN** Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 25th, 2019

### **ASEAN Attorneys-General/Ministers pledged for stronger cooperation in mutual legal assistance in criminal matters**

The Sixth Meeting of the Attorneys-General/Ministers of Justice and Minister of Law on the Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters "MLAT" (Among Like-Minded Countries) was convened on 25 April 2019 in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, to enhance cooperation among the Central Authorities of ASEAN Member States and ensure the effective implementation of the MLAT. The [...]

### **ASEAN promotes good governance and agile civil service in digital economy**

CHIANG RAI, 24 April 2019- Senior officials of civil service agencies of ASEAN Member States met today in Chiang Rai, Thailand. The Meeting reviewed and endorsed the ASEAN Statement on Promotion of Good Governance and Acceleration of An Agile Civil Service in A Digital Economy. The Statement is expected to be adopted by the ASEAN [...]

**European Commission** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

26/04/2019

### **EU releases €1.5 million in immediate assistance after cyclone Kenneth hits Mozambique and Comoros**

European Commission - Press release Brussels, 26 April 2019 Following the extensive damage caused by tropical cyclone Kenneth in northern Mozambique and Comoros, the EU is providing initial €1.5 million to help the people affected by the heavy rainfall and destruction that the new cyclone left in its trail.

### **Vaccination: Time to speak out against disinformation! Statement by Vice – President Jyrki Katainen on European Immunisation Week**

European Commission - Statement Brussels, 26 April 2019 Vaccination is one of the most successful public health measures to date. Not only do vaccines prevent diseases and save lives, they also reduce healthcare costs. Over the last two centuries, it has been consistently proven that vaccines work.

**OECD** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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### **Rapid action needed for people to meet challenges of changing world of work**

Governments need to overhaul their approach to employment and jobs to reduce further social and economic tensions, according to a new report from the OECD. Without rapid action, many people, particularly the low skilled, will be left behind in the fast-changing world of work.

**Organization of American States (OAS)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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### **The OAS and the Ministry of Health of Peru organize Ministerial Conference on the impacts of forced displacement**

**Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

24/04/2019

### **International Girls in ICT Day: OIC Calls for Empowerment of Girls**

H.E. Dr. Yousef bin Ahmed Al-Othaimeen, the Secretary-General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), called upon the OIC Member States, organs and relevant institutions to further their engagement in the international efforts to empower and encourage girls and young women to study and work in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and information and communications technology. This was on the International Girls in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Day celebrated by the international community on the fourth Thursday of April, falling this year on 25 April....

### **Al-Othaimeen: Corruption Costs World \$ 3.6 trillion, IPHRC Session Kicks Off**

The Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission (IPHRC) of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) held its fifteenth regular session at its headquarters in Jeddah on 21-25 April 2019. It addressed a number of issues, notably good governance and ways of combating corruption....

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**Group of 77** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

Remarks on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ms. Sahar Nasser, First Secretary at the Mission of the State of Palestine to the UN, at the first informal-informal meeting at the expert level on the alignment process (New York, 24 April 2019)

Remarks on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ambassador Dr. Riyad Mansour, (State of Palestine), Chair of the Group of 77, at the briefing on the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the General Assembly (New York, 23 April 2019)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ms. Sahar Nasser, First Secretary at the Mission of the State of Palestine to the UN, at the Interactive Dialogue of the General Assembly on Harmony with Nature in commemoration of International Mother Earth Day (New York, 22 April 2019)

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**UNCTAD** [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Latest News*

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**Strategic Trade Control Enforcement activities – March 2019**

**WTO - World Trade Organisation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

[http://www.wto.org/english/news\\_e/news\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news_e.htm)

23 April 2019

**WTO Forum looks at addressing food safety concerns through trade and cooperation**

WTO rules on food safety play an important part in enabling governments to protect their citizens while ensuring trade can play its critical part in maintaining timely supplies of safe and affordable food, said Director-General Roberto Azevêdo in opening the International Forum on Food Safety and Trade taking place at the WTO on 23-24 April.

**DDG Wolff: Food safety is a shared responsibility, building strong partnerships is essential**

24 April 2019

“Food safety is a shared responsibility ... and building strong partnerships ... across the public and private sectors is essential,” said Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff in his closing speech to the International Forum on Food Safety and Trade on 24 April. He commended the meeting’s future-oriented focus on new technologies, trade facilitation and harmonized regulation and how these factors impact food safety. “You made a significant contribution to the process of international engagement ... that will, I trust, not end here,” he told participants.

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**IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified..*

**International Court of Justice** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Criminal Court (ICC)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

*Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity*

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

*No new digest content identified.*

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**World Bank** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]*

**East Asia and Pacific Growth Expected to Moderate as Global Headwinds Persist, World Bank Says**

BANGKOK, April 24, 2019 – Growth in developing East Asia and the Pacific (EAP) is projected to soften to 6.0 percent in 2019 and 2020, down from 6.3 percent in 2018, largely reflecting global headwinds...

Date: April 24, 2019 Type: Press Release

**New Program to Scale Up Efficient, Clean Cooling in Developing Countries**

WASHINGTON, April 24, 2019 – The World Bank announced today a new program to accelerate the uptake of sustainable cooling solutions, including air conditioning, refrigeration and cold chain in developing...

Date: April 24, 2019 Type: Press Release

**Future of Food: Harnessing Digital Technologies to Improve Food System Outcomes**

The world is today facing the pressing challenge of unsustainable food production and consumption practices. Today's food system is the main driver of deforestation and biodiversity loss and generates...

Date: April 23, 2019 Type: Publication

**World Bank Provides Over \$200 Million to Help Increase Access to Electricity in West Africa and the Sahel Region**

WASHINGTON, April 22, 2019— The Board of the World Bank Group approved on April 17, 2019 the Regional Off-Grid Electrification Project (ROGEP), which includes \$150 million in the form of credit and grant...

Date: April 22, 2019 Type: Press Release

**IMF** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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

April 24, 2019

## **Belt and Road Initiative: Two Key Channels to Achieving Financial Connectivity**

*Opening Remarks*

By Christine Lagarde, IMF Managing Director

Belt and Road Forum Session on Financial Connectivity

**African Development Bank Group** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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

### **African Development Bank, partners meet over Securities Exchanges linkage project**

26/04/2019 - The African Development Bank, working with the African Securities Exchanges Association (ASEA), hosted the first capital market stakeholders roundtable on the African Exchanges Linkage Project (AELP) at the Bank's headquarters in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire on 24 April, 2019.

### **African Development Bank, partners support smallholder farmers with 17 new project grants**

24/04/2019 - The Agriculture Fast Track Fund (AFT), hosted by the African Development Bank, has announced US\$ 3,390,000 funding for 17 new small and medium enterprises in the agriculture sector as part of its transformative support for food security, income enhancement, job creation, and improving the livelihoods of smallholder farmers in Africa.

**Asian Development Bank** [to 27 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]*

[24 Apr 2019](#)

### **In Stunning New Publication, ADB Brings its Work in the Pacific to Life**

ADB today launched a stunning pictorial publication illustrating the depth and expertise of its work in the Pacific islands.

[23 Apr 2019](#)

### **ADB Approves New Financing Support for Renewable Power Projects in the Pacific**

ADB has approved an umbrella facility of up to \$100 million which will provide financing support including loans, guarantees, and letters of credit to overcome constraints to private sector investment in renewable power projects...

[22 Apr 2019](#)

### **ADB's Strategy 2030 Needs to be Accompanied by a Strong Results Orientation: Independent Evaluation**

ADB's new long-term corporate strategy, Strategy 2030, which came into effect this year, needs to be accompanied by a strong focus on results supported by an improved corporate results framework, says the 2019 Annual Eval...

**Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank** [to 27 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]*

News

Beijing, China, April 22, 2019

### **AIIB Approves Membership of Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Tunisia, and Uruguay**

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank's (AIIB) Board of Governors has approved membership applications of four more countries, bringing AIIB's total approved membership to 97.

**IFAD** International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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### **Key findings of the MOPAN assessment of IFAD**

The Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network (MOPAN) comprises 18 countries that share a common interest in assessing the effectiveness of the major multilateral organisations they fund. These include United Nations agencies, international financial institutions and global funds.

The Network generates, collects, analyses and presents relevant and credible information on their organisational and development effectiveness. This knowledge base is intended to contribute to organisational learning within and among the organisations, their direct clients and partners, and other stakeholders. Network members use the reports for their own accountability needs and as a source of input for strategic decision-making.

IFAD is one of the 14 organisations assessed by MOPAN in 2017-18. The assessment finds that:

- :: IFAD is an agile, responsive and well-performing organisation. The Fund's strategy, organisational architecture and operating model are all very well geared to deliver IFAD's mandate and are sufficiently flexible to adapt to the changing global context and to member states' evolving needs and priorities.

- :: The Fund consistently makes positive contributions to reducing rural poverty and continues to deliver results that are highly relevant to its member states' needs and priorities.

- :: IFAD's results culture is strong and growing stronger, and the evaluation and accountability functions continue to be robust. The Fund has now established the basics of results based budgeting.

- :: At the operations level, developments such as the SECAP have further strengthened the intervention design process, including the mainstreaming of the cross-cutting issues such as gender and environment, although good governance and human rights remain a step back. Where results could be stronger – notably on speed of disbursement – IFAD is making progress or is actively addressing the institutional shortcomings that have been linked with comparatively weaker performance.

- :: As a result of the refinement of the Performance-Based Allocation System and the adoption of new financing frameworks, IFAD is better equipped to deal with a tighter financial environment, in particular the lack of growth in the value of member state core contributions, and to further evolve over the IFAD11 replenishment period, 2019-21.

- :: IFAD's work on diversifying its resource base, developing a transition framework for member states, upscaling its knowledge brokering role and accelerating decentralization is a clear indicator of a forward-looking organisation that is highly alert and responsive to major upcoming strategic challenges.

**Islamic Development Bank** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

19 April 2019

### **We-Fi Regional Summit Calls for Urgent Public and Private Sector Action to Support Women Entrepreneurs in West Africa**

Heads of state, ministers, leaders of multilateral development banks, private sector executives, women entrepreneurs, and contributing governments of the Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative (We-Fi) convened today at the first We-Fi Regional Summit to discuss concrete ways to strengthen support for women-led small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in West Africa.

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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 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Posté le 27 avril 2019

*Nigeria*

### **Briser les barrières du genre pour la santé des enfants**

Au Nigéria, dans les communautés de Yobe Action contre la Faim mène des projets pour briser les barrières du genre et les barrières culturelles pour répondre aux besoins en nutrition. L'éducation et l'alimentation des enfants ne dépend pas uniquement de la mère mais aussi des pères. Des groupes de soutien sont créés pour les accompagner dans cette tâche.

### **Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Amref Health Africa** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://amref.org/news/news/>

*Latest News*

*[Website not responding at inquiry]*

### **Aravind Eye Care System** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **BRAC** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 25, 2019

**Closing the door on one of the world's oldest diseases**

by Dr Kazi Mariam Naher

Malaria has wreaked havoc for mankind for over 500,000 years. Thankfully, new strategies have led to a decline in disease incidence and mortality. The fight against humanity's oldest disease rages on but Bangladesh is paving the way with remarkable strides taken so far.

April 24, 2019

**Building garment sector capacity at home in Bangladesh**

by Linda Patentas and Sarah Allen

Six years on from Rana Plaza, Bangladesh's garment sector still faces challenges. Local capacity building, especially of women, will speed progress in the rapidly changing sector.

**CARE International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Clubhouse International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Danish Refugee Council** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://www.drc.dk/news>

*[Undated]*

**Christian Friis Bach has stepped down from his role as Secretary General in the Danish Refugee Council**

*Christian Friis Bach has stepped down from his role as Secretary General in the Danish Refugee Council as from 24 April.*

Chairwomen of the Executive Committee, Agi Csonka, says: "Christian is a visionary, who has initiated a lot of exiting development initiatives. International humanitarian organisations face a huge pressure. This requires management prioritizations to implement the continuing professionalization of the organisation and at the same time provide for the best possible working conditions for the employees to help refugees all over the world. The Executive Committee has in agreement decided that there is a need for another management profile to lead the Danish Refugee Council through the necessary organizational changes."

Agi Csonka adds: "I would like to say thank you to Christian for the great and engaging job. I hope that his multi-facetted competences and engagement will help the world's most vulnerable societies."

HR Director Mads Egeskov Sørensen has been appointed acting daily manager and there will be taken a decision as fast as possible on the acting management in the International Department until a new International Director has been found.

**ECPAT** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*News & Updates*

## **Do no harm: The ethics of researching child sexual exploitation**

Posted on 25/04/2019

A comprehensive new project will explore the ethics of studying child sexual exploitation and abuse – and develop practical guidelines for assisting future research into the topic.

Experts from ECPAT International, ECPAT Taiwan and National Chung Cheng University Taiwan are working with academia and others engaged in the field from India, Pakistan, Taiwan, Nigeria, Ghana, Netherlands and Germany – and have so far developed a literature review on the topic that looks at the existing research and guidance.

The paper:

- :: Identifies key overarching principles for research on sexual exploitation involving children that are based on children's rights as articulated by the Convention on the Rights of the Child;
- :: Summarizes the potential risks that could occur as a result of intended research;
- :: Addresses how to identify and assess the potential benefits of intended research; and
- :: Describes ways to weigh up the harms and benefits in order to decide whether or not to proceed with the intended research.

Later this year, simple and practical guidelines to assist researchers in the design and implementation of research into the sexual exploitation of children will be released.

[Read the full literature review.](#)

**Fountain House** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Humanity & Inclusion** [nee Handicap International] [to 27 Apr 2019]

[http://www.handicap-international.us/press\\_releases](http://www.handicap-international.us/press_releases)

*No new digest content identified.*

**Heifer International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**HelpAge International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**ICRC** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

**Through effective multilateralism, States can create norms that uphold our humanity**

Statement to UN General Assembly High Level Event to Commemorate and Promote the International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace

25-04-2019 | Statement

*[See Week in Review above for full text]*

### **Operational update on Libya: Intensifying violence forces thousands from their homes**

The humanitarian situation in and around Tripoli has deteriorated sharply over the past three weeks.  
25-04-2019 | News release

**IFRC** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

*Africa, Comoros, Mozambique, Tanzania*

### **Volunteers in Comoros, Mozambique and Tanzania prepare as Cyclone Kenneth forms**

Nairobi/Geneva, 24 April 2019 – Teams of Red Cross and Red Crescent volunteers are on alert as a Cyclone Kenneth makes its way to Comoros and potentially on to Tanzania and Mozambique. Red Cross volunteers in northern Mozambique are alerting communities ...

**International Medical Corps (IMC)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**IRC International Rescue Committee** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Press Release*

### **Yemen: Uptick in fighting forces IRC to suspend critical life-saving programming**

Sana'a, Yemen, April 23, 2019 — A major uptick in fighting on the frontline between Ansar Allah (Houthi) and forces loyal to the Hadi government in Al Dahle'e governorate has forced the International Rescue Committee (IRC) to suspend and relocate critical life-saving programming including mobile health clinics, cholera treatment, education and livelihoods support. Over the past 72 hours, 85 people are reported to have been killed on this single frontline, and a credible source has reported that 10,000 have died in the conflict in the past 5 months alone. Fighting in this area of northern Al Dhale'e, a main transport route between Aden and Sana'a is also complicating the already difficult task of moving vital medical and nutrition supplies around the country...

**IRCT** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://irct.org/>

*No new digest content identified.*

**Islamic Relief Worldwide** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News*

### **Muslim and Christian development agencies condemn Sri Lanka attacks**

Published: 24 April, 2019

### **Islamic Relief backs World Earth Day calls for biodiversity action**

Published: 22 April, 2019

**Landsea** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Medecins du Monde** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

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

*Yemen*

**[Mothers and children left to die in Yemen without access to medical care](#)**

Press Release 24 April 2019

:: Pregnant women and sick children in Yemen are struggling to reach timely medical care, four years into the war.

:: Lack of health facilities, people having to negotiate frontlines and checkpoints, and lack of funds to afford alternatives main reasons.

:: We urge the warring parties to ensure the protection of civilians and health workers, and to allow the wounded and sick to access healthcare.

**Mercy Corps** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Operation Smile** [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected News/Announcements*

**[Oxfam regrets Trump administration's decisions on Cuba](#)**

22 April 2019

The unfair measures announced by the Trump administration on April 17 will impact the everyday lives of Cubans by limiting family remittances, blocking banking transactions, and penalizing national businesses and foreign investors, according to (international humanitarian organization) Oxfam.

**Norwegian Refugee Council** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest news from NRC*

Cameroon | 25. Apr 2019

### **Cameroon conflict produces mounting humanitarian needs**

The Norwegian Refugee Council is alarmed by soaring humanitarian needs in English-speaking regions of Cameroon.

*DR Congo* | 24. Apr 2019

### **DR Congo: Imminent hunger crisis threatens Ebola-stricken North Kivu**

An average of 87 per cent of displaced people are living on just over a meal a day in areas already plagued by conflict and Ebola in Congo's North Kivu. Families affected by the deadly virus have lost access to food and are on the brink of malnutrition. Ebola cannot be eradicated if people are left starving, warns the Norwegian Refugee Council.

**Pact** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 24, 2019

### **World Bank and Pact launch first 'state of the sector' report for artisanal and small-scale mining**

Over 40 million people globally work in artisanal and small-scale mining (ASM) 10 million people living in 40 countries in sub-Saharan Africa are directly...

**Partners In Health** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.pih.org/blog>

Apr 23, 2019

### **UGHE Student Studies Soil-Related Disease Afflicting Farmers**

When Dr. Ursin Bayisenge realized little was known about a tropical disease afflicting Rwanda farmers, and 4 million people worldwide, he set out to learn more.

Apr 22, 2019

### **Major Milestones in PIH History**

This timeline traces the history of Partners In Health, from its founding in rural Cange, Haiti, to its expansion to 10 countries around the world, where we fight to ensure everyone has access to high-quality care.

**PATH** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 24, 2019 by PATH

### **New program in Myanmar translates policy into practice for sexual and reproductive health and rights**

The new sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) STRONG+ project engages communities to discuss their rights and responsibilities and inform future policy change

### **PATH congratulates Malawi on introducing the first malaria vaccine for African children**

Seattle, WA, April 23, 2019 – PATH welcomes the announcement today by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Malawi Ministry of Health that the first children have received the RTS,S/AS01 (RTS,S) malaria vaccine through routine immunization in Malawi, marking the beginning of a pilot introduction of the vaccine. Malawi is the first of the three participating countries—the others being Ghana and Kenya—to begin vaccination...

### **PATH and MMV launch 5-year global initiative to support elimination of relapsing malaria**

Geneva, Switzerland and Seattle, WA, USA, April 23, 2019 – PATH and Medicines for Malaria Venture (MMV) announce a 5-year, jointly-led initiative, VivAccess, to support countries in the elimination of Plasmodium vivax (P. vivax) malaria. The initiative is part of the larger global effort to support malaria-endemic countries in the adoption and use of new and existing tools, to facilitate well-tolerated and effective radical cure to prevent relapse. VivAccess's work is funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation...

### **Plan International/BORNEfonden** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

25 April 2019

### **UN resolution on sexual violence in conflict disregards girls' rights**

On 23 April, the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution 2476 on Sexual Violence in Conflict. To prevent a United States veto of the resolution, Security Council members instead removed all references to sexual and reproductive health services, significantly watering down the draft resolution that came before the Council the night before.

### **Save The Children** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

Thursday 25 April 2019

### **Number of malnourished children set to double in Idai-hit parts of Mozambique**

MAPUTO, 25 April – The number of acutely malnourished children under five in cyclone-hit areas in Mozambique is expected to jump from nearly 60,000 to 115,000, after crops and livelihoods were swept away by the storm, Save the Children warned today.

Thursday 25 April 2019

### **Yemen cholera outbreak: 100,000 children infected since start of 2019**

Sana'a, Yemen, 25 April 2019 – More than 100,000 suspected cases of cholera have been reported among children under the age of 15 in Yemen since the start of the year - more than twice the number during the same period in 2018.

### **SOS-Kinderdorf International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

All News

70 years of impact – 25 April 2019

### **Transforming four million lives since 1949**



SOS Children's Villages celebrates today its 70th anniversary. To mark the occasion, we have released '70 Years of Impact', a report that tracks the organisation's impact on the lives of children and young people through its family-like care and family strengthening services.

**Tostan** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.tostan.org>

Apr 23, 2019

**Tostan joins Melinda Gates' Moment of Lift: Scaling Wellbeing for Women and Girls in Three Countries**

In her much awaited first ever book "The Moment of Lift," Melinda Gates identifies Tostan Founder, Molly Melching, as a quiet hero and one of her teachers.

**Women for Women International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**World Vision** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://wvi.org/>

*No new digest content identified.*

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**Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR** [to 27 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](https://www EFF.org/updates?type=press_release)

*No new digest content identified.*

**Freedom House** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

*Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Human Rights Watch** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Content*

April 25, 2019 *News Release*

**China: UN Secretary-General Should Press Xi on Mass Detentions**

April 25, 2019 *News Release*

## **US Stance at UN a Backward Step on Women's Rights**

**Transparency International** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

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**Bond** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*News and views*

### **The rise and reality of INGO domestic programming**

25 April 2019

Susannah Pickering-Saqqa

There is a growing interest in the idea of INGOs running programmes in their home countries as well as the global south, but this approach raises a number of challenges.

### **5 successful corporate partnerships with small NGOs**

24 April 2019

Jasmine Awad

Fives examples that show how small NGOs can achieve impact in partnership with business.

**ChildFund Alliance** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

*No new digest content identified.*

**CONCORD** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

Apr 26, 2019

### **Director's Blog: Let's vote for Substance and our Ideals – Because Politics Matter**

by Tanya Cox |

Two trends run the risk of derailing the upcoming European Parliament elections: the trivialisation of politics and the disillusionment of people with politics. In order to move forward, we must overcome both these trends.

### **The Road to a Budget4Solidarity : Half-Way There**

| Apr 23, 2019 |

How will the EU commit to financing development? 2019 has seen progress towards a sustainable, human rights-based approach to spending our money where it is most needed. Now it's time to recap.

**Disasters Emergency Committee** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*LATEST PRESS RELEASES*

*No new digest content identified.*

**The Elders** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://theelders.org/news-media>

*Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements*

*News*

*Climate change*

**[The Importance of Women in Africa's Transition to a Low- Carbon Economy](#)**

Wednesday, 24 April, 2019

At the Mo Ibrahim Governance weekend, held over the weekend of the 7-8th of April in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, The Elders and The B Team co-convened a roundtable to discuss challenges and solutions for improving the role of women in the Africa's transition to a green economy.

*News*

*Ethical leadership & multilateral cooperation*

**[The Elders in China](#)**

Wednesday, 24 April, 2019

The Elders' first official trip to China, to meet its top leadership, took place in early April 2019. It was an opportunity to engage with President Xi Jinping and other senior leaders on some of today's most pressing issues: from multilateralism and climate change, to nuclear non-proliferation and human rights.

**Evidence Aid** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Gavi** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News*

**[Ghana launches the world's largest vaccine drone delivery network](#)**

24 April 2019

With support from Gavi, The UPS Foundation and other partners, Zipline drones will serve up to 2,000 health facilities and 12 million people in Ghana

**[Partnership welcomes launch of first malaria vaccine pilot](#)**

23 April 2019

Funding agencies hail important step for the world's first malaria vaccine

*[See Milestones above for detail]*

**Global Fund** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Hilton Prize Coalition** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

**ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>  
*Latest Resources*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**INEE** – an international network for education in emergencies [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.ineesite.org/en/news>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**InterAction** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.interaction.org/>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Start Network** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs>  
*No new digest content identified.*

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**3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.3ieimpact.org/>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://www.alnap.org/>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**CHS Alliance** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Development Initiatives** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://devinit.org/news/>  
*No new digest content identified.*

**EHLRA/R2HC** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Groupe URD** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Humanitarian Studies Association** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://ihsa.info/>

*No new digest content identified.*

**The Sphere Project** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

26 April 2019 | *Sphere*

**[Sphere extends a warm 'thank you' to all Handbook contributors](#)**

Sphere is truly grateful to all the humanitarian practitioners and experts who participated in the Handbook drafting process throughout 2017 and 2018, putting their time and expertise at the service of the humanitarian...

**Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP)** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<https://phap.org/>

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**Brookings**

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

*Accessed 27 Apr 2019*

*Latest Research*

*Yemen*

**[Reclaiming Yemen: The role of the Yemeni professional diaspora](#)**

Noha Aboueldahab

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

*Demographics & Population*

**[As Americans spread out, immigration plays a crucial role in local population growth](#)**

William H. Frey

Monday, April 22, 2019

**Center for Global Development** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 23, 2019

### **Making Basel III Work for Emerging Markets and Developing Economies**

The report considers three different channels through which Basel III can affect financial stability and development in EMDEs: (1) effects on the volume, composition, and stability of capital flows arising from the implementation of Basel III in advanced economies; (2) effects on financial stability and a level playing field from the adoption of the Basel framework by the home countries of affiliates of foreign banks operating in EMDEs; and (3) effects on financial stability, broad access to financial services, and deepening of local financial systems from the implementation of Basel III by EMDEs themselves.

Task Force on Making Basel III Work for Emerging Markets and Developing Economies; Thorsten Beck and Liliana Rojas-Suarez, Co-Chairs

April 23, 2019

### **Who Benefits from Pharmaceutical Price Controls? Evidence from India - Working Paper 509**

With the goal of driving down drug costs, governments across the globe have instituted various forms of pharmaceutical price control policies. In this paper, we examine the theoretical and empirical effects of one implementation of pharmaceutical price controls, in which the Indian government placed price ceilings on a set of essential medicines.

Emma Boswell Dean

April 23, 2019

### **Making Basel III Work for EMDEs (Brief)**

A CGD Task Force assessed the implications of Basel III for EMDEs and provided recommendations for both international and local policymakers to make Basel III work for these economies. This brief summarizes the key findings and recommendations.

Task Force on Making Basel III Work for Emerging Markets and Developing Economies; Thorsten Beck and Liliana Rojas-Suarez, Co-Chairs

**CSIS** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Reports*

*Report*

### **U.S. Economic Engagement in Africa: Making Prosper Africa a Reality**

April 26, 2019 | [Daniel F. Runde](#), [Romina Bandura](#)

The United States seeks to rekindle its economic engagement with Africa through the Prosper Africa initiative. The CSIS Project on Prosperity and Development offers a set of recommendations to maximize the impact and resiliency of the Prosper Africa initiative.

*Report*

### **Shifting the Burden Responsibly: Oversight and Accountability in U.S. Security Sector Assistance**

April 24, 2019 | [Melissa Dalton](#), [Hijab Shah](#), [Tommy Ross](#), [Asya Akca](#)

The United States enables its allies and partners to tackle global security challenges through security sector assistance. This new CSIS report examines this burden shifting and how the United States can better integrate oversight and accountability measures.

*Report*

### **The Higher Road: Forging a U.S. Strategy for the Global Infrastructure Challenge**

April 23, 2019 | [Matthew P. Goodman](#), [Daniel F. Runde](#), [Jonathan E. Hillman](#), [Erol Yayboke](#) A global infrastructure buildout is transforming the economies around the world. This report from the CSIS Global Infrastructure Task Force discusses how these trends are too powerful and potentially beneficial for the United States to stop and too consequential to ignore.

*Report*

### **Building a Big Tent for Agricultural Transformation in Ethiopia**

April 23, 2019 | [Christian Man](#)

The agriculture sector is the nucleus of the Ethiopian economy, but it faces systemic challenges. The CSIS Global Food Security Project examines the past wins, current endeavors, and future challenges of Ethiopia's Agricultural Transformation Agency.

*Report*

### **CSIS Brief: The Higher Road: Forging a U.S. Strategy for the Global Infrastructure Challenge**

April 23, 2019 | [Matthew P. Goodman](#), [Daniel F. Runde](#) This accompanying brief to the CSIS report from the CSIS Global Infrastructure Task Force summarizes how the current trends in global infrastructure buildout are too powerful and potentially beneficial for the United States to stop and too consequential to ignore.

*Report*

### **After the "Caliphate" The Metrics of Daesh and the Ongoing Challenge of Extremism**

April 22, 2019 | [Anthony H. Cordesman](#)

Breaking up Daesh's attempt to create a state or pseudo state – what Daesh called a "caliphate" – has not defeated Daesh or put an end to the much broader patterns of extremism, terrorism, and instability in Syria and Iraq.

**ODI** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected Press Releases & Reports*

### **Universal access to basic justice: costing Sustainable Development Goal 16.3**

Working and discussion papers | April 2019 | Marcus Manuel, Clare Manuel and Harsh Desai

This paper explores whether the experience of global funds could be applied to supporting SDG 16.3's commitment to equal access to justice for all by 2030.

### **Financing the sustainable urban future: scoping a green cities development bank**

Working and discussion papers | April 2019 | James Alexander, Darius Nassiry, Sam Barnard, Michael Lindfield, Renard Teipelke and Martijn Wilder

Explores the potential for a Green Cities Development Bank, a new institution lending directly to cities with a focus on urban climate investment.

### **Unlocking the inclusive growth story of the 21st century: accelerating climate action in urgent times**

Research reports and studies | April 2019 | Nathaniel Mason and Ipek Gencsu

ODI's contributions to the New Climate Economy 2018 report, including new analysis of the water system, where the impacts of climate change are first felt.

**Urban Institute** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 25, 2019

### **State Child Care Assistance Policies for Parents in Education and Training**

Workforce development activities such as education and training help low-income parents gain skills and experience to obtain employment or further advance their career opportunities. Education and training activities help prepare parents for work, but a lack of access to child care can be a barrier for parents seeking to participate in these activities. The Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF), the largest program providing

[Sarah Minton](#), [Victoria Tran](#), [Kelly Dwyer](#)

Brief

### **Do Parents Get Child Care Assistance for Education and Training?**

Access to affordable child care can be a major barrier for low-income parents who want to participate in education and training activities to gain skills or obtain employment (Adams, Spaulding, and Heller 2015). Child care assistance from the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF), the federal block grant that funds states to provide child care assistance to low-income families, can help alleviate this barrier and make it easier

[Semhar Gebrekristos](#), [Gina Adams](#)

April 25, 2019

Brief

### **Housing Finance At A Glance: A Monthly Chartbook, April 2019**

The April 2019 edition of At A Glance, the Housing Finance Policy Center's reference guide for mortgage and housing market data, includes updated figures describing housing credit availability, national mortgage affordability and the first-time homebuyer share. Housing Finance at a Glance: Monthly Chartbooks Archive

[Laurie Goodman](#), [Alanna McCargo](#), [Edward Golding](#), [Jim Parrott](#), [Sheryl Pardo](#), [Todd M. Hill-Jones](#), [Karan Kaul](#), [Bing Bai](#), [Sarah Storchak](#), [Andrea Reyes](#), [John Walsh](#)

April 25, 2019

Research Report

### **Disaggregating Data by Race and Place in the District of Columbia**

Leah Hendey, senior research associate, testified before the Council of the District of Columbia Committee on Government Operations hearing on racial equity. Her testimony outlined how disaggregated data not only documents significant inequities in DC by race and place, but can help elected officials understand the challenges of addressing inequalities and identify innovative solutions.

[Leah Hendey](#)

April 25, 2019

Testimony

### **Historical Context of Racial Inequity in Washington, DC**

Kilolo Kijakazi, institute fellow, testified before the Council of the District of Columbia Committee on Government Operations hearing on racial equity. Her testimony highlighted relevant research from her report on The Color of Wealth in the Nation's Capital, including identifying several significant disparities



in homeownership, business ownership, education, and employment rates, and the structural racism barriers that create

[Kilolo Kijakazi](#)

April 25, 2019

Testimony

### **Turning the Corner Project Overview: Monitoring Neighborhood Change to Prevent Displacement in Five Cities**

Launched in January 2016, Turning the Corner: Monitoring Neighborhood Change to Prevent Displacement piloted a research model in five cities to monitor neighborhood change, drive informed government action, and support displacement prevention and inclusive revitalization. The project was motivated by a desire to understand neighborhood revitalization and related displacement pressures in cities with recovering or moderately

[Kathryn L.S. Pettit](#), [Mychal Cohen](#), [Diane K. Levy](#)

April 25, 2019

Research Report

### **Guide to Measuring Neighborhood Change to Understand and Prevent Displacement**

Many communities want to know more about the changes that are occurring in revitalizing neighborhoods to prevent displacement and the loss of community. In combination with insights from residents' lived experience, quantitative indicators are needed to sharpen the understanding of neighborhood trends and identify the people who may be most affected. This guide discusses how to develop an analytical approach to monitoring

[Mychal Cohen](#), [Kathryn L.S. Pettit](#)

April 25, 2019

Research Report

### **Turning the Corner: Implications of Neighborhood Revitalization for Public Safety, Small Businesses, and Capital Investments**

Launched in January 2016, Turning the Corner: Monitoring Neighborhood Change to Prevent Displacement piloted a research model in five cities to monitor neighborhood change, drive informed government action, and support displacement prevention and inclusive revitalization. The project was motivated by a desire to understand displacement pressures in cities with recovering or moderately strong housing markets. When investments

[Mychal Cohen](#), [Kathryn L.S. Pettit](#), [Diane K. Levy](#)

April 25, 2019

Brief

### **Turning the Corner: Lessons from Five Cities on Displacement Risk in Changing Neighborhoods**

Launched in January 2016, Turning the Corner: Monitoring Neighborhood Change to Prevent Displacement piloted a research model in five cities to monitor neighborhood change, drive informed government action, and support displacement prevention and inclusive revitalization. The project was motivated by a desire to understand displacement pressures in cities with recovering or moderately strong housing markets. Three lessons

[Kathryn L.S. Pettit](#), [Mychal Cohen](#), [Diane K. Levy](#)

April 25, 2019

Brief

### **Helping Parents Access Child Care for Education and Training**

Accessing affordable child care is a common challenge for parents; it is especially difficult for those with low incomes who need education or training to gain knowledge and skills that can lead to higher paying jobs. Ideally, parents seeking job-related education or training would be able to access child care assistance as part of enrolling in occupational programs, but access varies across states, localities, and training

[Christin Durham](#), [Shayne Spaulding](#), [Gina Adams](#), [Semhar Gebrekristos](#)

April 25, 2019

Brief

### **Why Did Medicare Advantage Enrollment Grow As Payment Pressure Increased?**

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) introduced several changes to Medicare Advantage (MA) plan payment to better align Medicare spending on MA enrollees with average spending per traditional Medicare enrollee. These payment changes were expected to reduce enrollment in MA plans by making private plans less attractive to both insurers and beneficiaries, but MA enrollment has nearly doubled since ACA implementation. This

[Laura Skopec](#), [Stephen Zuckerman](#), [Eva H. Allen](#), [Joshua Aarons](#)

April 24, 2019

Research Report

### **Collecting and Using Data for Prosecutorial Decisionmaking: Statement before the Connecticut General Assembly**

On April 24, 2019, senior policy associate Robin Olsen, policy associate Leigh Courtney, and policy analyst Chloe Warnberg gave a statement to the Connecticut General Assembly on their report, "Collecting and Using Data for Prosecutorial Decisionmaking." This statement summarizes their findings from a 2018 national survey of state prosecutors' offices and offers insights for prosecutors, policymakers, and other stakeholders on

[Robin Olsen](#), [Leigh Courtney](#), [Chloe Warnberg](#)

April 24, 2019

Commentary

### **World Economic Forum** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Selected News Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

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### ***:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch***

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

**Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*News*

**[Can tadpoles help us understand human heart attacks?](#)**

April 25, 2019

Some species are very good at heart repair. A new study highlights what researchers could learn about our own hearts — and heart disease — from tiny amphibians.

**BMGF - Gates Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Annie E. Casey Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Blue Meridian Partners** [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Press Release*

April 25, 2019

**[Clinton Foundation Completes Three-Year Community Health Transformation Effort in Knox County, Illinois](#)**

*Press Release*

April 22, 2019

**[Clinton Foundation, International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre \(CIMMYT\) launch partnership to improve access to climate-resilient maize seed in Eastern and Southern Africa](#)**

**Co Impact** [to 27 Apr 2019]

[www.co-impact.io](http://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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Ford Live Events* 24 April 2019

**Indigenous people and truth commissions**

The Ford Foundation and the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples will hold a live discussion about the role of truth commissions in advancing the rights and power of indigenous peoples. It will take place alongside the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNFPII); and feature current members of the Truth, Coexistence, and Non-Repetition Commission of Colombia; former members of the truth commissions of Guatemala, Peru, and Canada; and representatives from UN permanent missions, members of the UNFPII, and representatives from academia, and civil society....

**GHIT Fund** [to 27 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 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**William and Flora Hewlett Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest Updates*

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

April 24, 2019

**Closing the gap between social movements and policy change**

By Ruth Levine

**Evaluating the Madison Initiative**

In March of 2014, when we recommended an initial three-year, \$50 million phase of exploratory grantmaking for the Madison Initiative to the Hewlett Foundation board, we noted in our proposal memo that "the democratic system we want to change is more accurately described as a system of systems (and subsystems) on a national scale. These...

By Daniel Stid

April 23, 2019

**Earth Day reflections: What we have to celebrate, and the substantial—but surmountable—challenges we still face**

By Jonathan Pershing

April 22, 2019

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Press Release*

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Awards More Than \$25 Million in Grants in the First Quarter of 2019**

April 23, 2019

**IKEA Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Kaiser Family Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

[https://www.kff.org/search/?post\\_type=press-release](https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release)

April 24, 2019 *News Release*

**Poll: Most Americans Want Congress to Prioritize Targeted Actions that Address Personal Health Care Costs; Fewer Cite Broader Reforms like Medicare-for-All and ACA Repeal as Top Priorities**

*Most Do Not Want the Supreme Court to Overturn the ACA or its Pre-Existing Conditions Protections*

When it comes to tackling pressing health care issues, incremental actions to address personal health care costs take precedence over broader, more partisan reforms for most Americans, according to the latest KFF Health Tracking...

**Aga Khan Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

25 April 2019

**2019 Shortlist Announced for Aga Khan Award for Architecture**

**Kellogg Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**MacArthur Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Grantee Publications*

**Harms of Pretrial Detention**

April 24, 2019

Increased pretrial detention—jailing of people who have not been convicted of a crime—disproportionately harms people of color and people with lower incomes, according to an [evidence brief](#) from [Vera Institute of Justice](#). Between 1970 and 2015, pretrial detention has increased 433 percent,

primarily due to overreliance on monetary bail. And people who are detained before a trial for longer periods see harmful, lasting effects like harsher sentencing, increased convictions, and higher likelihood of repeated contact with the justice system. Vera, a MacArthur grantee, outlined some strategies for safely reducing pretrial detention, including more robust bail hearings, early legal representation, and using court date reminders.

*Grantee Research*

### **Lack of Diversity Perpetuates Bias in AI**

April 23, 2019

Lack of diversity in artificial intelligence workplaces and biased technologies are deeply interconnected, according to a report from the AI Now Institute, a MacArthur-supported initiative at New York University. The report suggests current methods of addressing diversity in the field have largely failed, and it recommends strategies that could better address workplace diversity, including transparent and equitable compensation, openly addressing discrimination and harassment, and incentivizing diverse hiring practices. According to the report, transparency is essential for remedying bias in AI systems and, therefore, should be required across AI systems and especially in sensitive domains such as education, healthcare, and criminal justice.

### **Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

April 25, 2019

#### **Big win for Skeena salmon**

... From 2001 to 2017, the Moore Foundation awarded grants to support work with partners across the North Pacific to ensure that salmon ecosystems remain healthy. And of all of the estuaries and rivers along Canada's western coastline, the Skeena is one of the most vibrant and productive. The Skeena is one of North America's last remaining watersheds that is completely intact, over the span of 350 sinuous miles. No dams, not one single fish ladder. Steelhead and all five species of wild salmon thrive here. The First Nation people — the Metlakatla and Lax Kw'alaams — have depended on Skeena salmon for countless generations...

### **Open Society Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **David and Lucile Packard Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Pew Charitable Trusts** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Press Releases & Statements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Rockefeller Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Science Philanthropy Alliance** [to 27 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://sdgfunders.org/>

*SDG Philanthropy Platform is a collaboration between philanthropy and the greater international development community led by Foundation Center, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, and supported by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Ford Foundation and the MasterCard Foundation, the Brach Family Foundation, and other key organizations such as Asociación de Fundaciones Empresariales (AFE) in Colombia, Brach Family Charitable Foundation, CAF America, Council on Foundations, East Africa Association of Grantmakers (EAAG), European Foundation Centre, Filantropi Indonesia (FI), GlobalGiving, The Humanitarian Forum, World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, and Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS).*

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Alfred P. Sloan Foundation** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Wellcome Trust** [to 27 Apr 2019]

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

*News | 25 April 2019*

**[New data re-use prizes help unlock the value of research](#)**

The winners of our Wellcome Data Re-use Prizes have generated new insights in antimicrobial resistance and malaria research.

*Opinion | 23 April 2019*

**[We ignore the disaster in the antibiotics market at our peril](#)**

by Jeremy Farrar

There is no viable path for new drugs, however valuable they are to society.

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**Foundation Center** [to 27 Apr 2019]

<http://foundationcenter.org/about-us/press-room>

*No new digest content identified.*

**Council on Foundations** [to 27 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**

May 2019 Volume 47, Issue 5, p479-600

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

**American Journal of Preventive Medicine**

May 2019 Volume 56, Issue 5, p631-772

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

**American Journal of Public Health**

May 2019 109(5)

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

*AJPH EDITOR'S CHOICE*

**Communicating Research in an Era of Misinformation**

*Media, Immunization/Vaccines, Health Promotion*

Megan Lowry and David Fouse

*[Initial text]*

Last year, AJPH hit a milestone. The article by Broniatowski et al., "Weaponized Health Communication: Twitter Bots and Russian Trolls Amplify the Vaccine Debate" ([bit.ly/2TnBA8f](http://bit.ly/2TnBA8f)), published in the October issue was the 18th—among millions—most read academic article of 2018, according to Altmetric ([bit.ly/2QKpR1k](http://bit.ly/2QKpR1k)). To the American Public Health Association communications



team, this was no surprise. When reading the article before publication, we knew it had popular appeal and scientific clout. It also fed into a hotly trending political narrative and addressed a timely public health challenge. It made a great news story. Broad interest from the media ensured that the public heard about its findings.

It also illuminated a central challenge facing us today: how can evidence-based public health messages compete against more attention-grabbing trolls, tweets, and myths, particularly when they undermine science and sow discord? Fittingly, this AJPH study, along with others, led Dictionary.com to designate “misinformation” as its 2018 word of the year ([bit.ly/2Qk1Ttv](http://bit.ly/2Qk1Ttv)).

Broniatowski et al. concluded that the best way for public health to push back against misinformation is to not directly confront the messengers or repeat their misinformation (or, in Internet speak, “feed the trolls”) but instead to look for other ways to assert the truth...

### **American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**

Volume 100, Issue 4, 2019

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/100/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Annals of Internal Medicine**

16 April 2019 Vol: 170, Issue 8

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation**

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

(Accessed 27 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 27 Apr 2019)

*Research article*

#### **[What makes mental health and substance use services youth friendly? A scoping review of literature](#)**

*There are increasing calls to make mental health and substance use services youth friendly, with hopes of improving service uptake, engagement and satisfaction. However, youth-friendliness in this area has not...*

Authors: Lisa D. Hawke, Kamna Mehra, Cara Settapani, Jaqueline Relihan, Karleigh Darnay, Gloria Chaim and Joanna Henderson

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2019 19:257  
Published on: 27 April 2019

### **BMC Infectious Diseases**

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

(Accessed 27 Apr 2019)

*Research article*

#### **Being unvaccinated and having a contact history increased the risk of measles infection during an outbreak: a finding from measles outbreak investigation in rural district of Ethiopia**

*Measles is one of the most contagious diseases caused by an acute viral illness called Morbillivirus that usually occurs as an outbreak in low-income countries. As of May 2016 measles suspected outbreak was re...*

Authors: Abadi Girmay and Abel Fekadu Dadi

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:345

Published on: 25 April 2019

*Research article*

#### **Factors associated with self-reported non-completion of the hepatitis B vaccine series in men who have sex with men in Brazil**

*The objective of the present study was to analyze the factors associated with non-completion of the hepatitis B vaccine series among men who have sex with men and use geosocial dating apps in Brazil.*

Authors: Artur Acelino Francisco Luz Nunes Queiroz, Álvaro Francisco Lopes de Sousa, Matheus Costa Brandão Matos, Telma Maria Evangelista de Araújo, Sandra Brignol, Renata Karina Reis, Elucir Gir and Maria Eliete Batista Moura

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:335

Published on: 23 April 2019

### **BMC Medical Ethics**

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

(Accessed 27 Apr 2019)

*Debate*

| 27 April 2019

#### **Ethical tensions in the informed consent process for randomized clinical trials in emergency obstetric and newborn care in low and middle-income countries**

Authors: Dan K. Kaye, Gershom Chongwe and Nelson K. Sewankambo

### **BMC Medicine**

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

(Accessed 27 Apr 2019)

*Research article*

#### **Population-level mathematical modeling of antimicrobial resistance: a systematic review**

*Mathematical transmission models are increasingly used to guide public health interventions for infectious diseases, particularly in the context of emerging pathogens; however, the contribution of modeling to ...*

Authors: Anna Maria Niewiadomska, Bamini Jayabalasingham, Jessica C. Seidman, Lander Willem, Bryan Grenfell, David Spiro and Cecile Viboud  
Citation: BMC Medicine 2019 17:81  
Published on: 24 April 2019

### **BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth**

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

(Accessed 27 Apr 2019)

*Research article*

#### **Associations between intimate partner violence profiles and mental health among low-income, urban pregnant adolescents**

*Intimate partner violence (IPV) during pregnancy is associated with adverse maternal and child health outcomes, including poor mental health. Previous IPV research has largely focused on women's victimization ...*

Authors: Jordan L. Thomas, Jessica B. Lewis, Isabel Martinez, Shayna D. Cunningham, Moiuri Siddique, Jonathan N. Tobin and Jeannette R. Ickovics

Citation: BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth 2019 19:120

Published on: 26 April 2019

### **BMC Public Health**

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

(Accessed 27 Apr 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Research Notes**

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

(Accessed 27 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 3 Pages: 313-472 May 2019

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Clinical Therapeutics**

April 2019 Volume 41, Issue 4, p605-790

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

### **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 27 Apr 2019]

*Research*

| 27 April 2019

[\*\*Migration patterns & their associations with health and human rights in eastern Myanmar after political transition: results of a population-based survey using multistaged household cluster sampling\*\*](#)

Authors: Parveen K. Parmar, Charlene Barina, Sharon Low, Kyaw Thura Tun, Conrad Otterness, Pue P. Mhote, Saw Nay Htoo, Saw Win Kyaw, Nai Aye Lwin, Cynthia Maung, Naw Merry Moo, Eh. Kalu Shwee Oo, Daniel Reh, Nai Chay Mon, Xinkai Zhou and Adam K. Richards

### **Contemporary Clinical Trials**

Volume 79 Pages 1-122 (April 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/79/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **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 4, 2019

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

*Article*

**[Integrating gender into index-based agricultural insurance: a focus on South Africa](#)**

[Lorna Born](#), [Charles Spillane](#) & [Una Murray](#)

Pages: 409-423

Published online: 20 Dec 2018

*Article*

**[Assessment of the Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty programme in Karaga district, Ghana](#)**

[Mohammed Sulemana](#), [Bukari Francis Issahaku Malongza](#) & [Mohammed Abdulai](#)

Pages: 437-447

Published online: 20 Dec 2018

*Article*

**[Why work "at home"? Oxfam's value-added and the UK Poverty Programme](#)**

[Susannah Pickering-Saqqqa](#)

Pages: 477-488

Published online: 14 Feb 2019

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**[Respecting communities: languages and cultural understanding in international development work](#)**

[Vicky Mancuso Brehm](#)

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Volume 37, Issue 3 Pages: 311-449 May 2019

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**Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology**

Volume 14, Issue 1, 2019

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**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>

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### **Disasters**

Volume 43, Issue 2 Pages: 219-455 April 2019

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### **EMBO Reports**

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### **Emergency Medicine Journal**

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### **Emerging Infectious Diseases**

Volume 25, Number 4—April 2019

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### **Epidemics**

Pages 1-134 (March 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/26/suppl/C>

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### **Epidemiology and Infection**

Volume 147 - 2019

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

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### **Ethics & Human Research**

Volume 41, Issue 2 Pages: 1-40 March-April 2019

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***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/>

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### **The European Journal of Public Health**

Volume 29, Issue 2, April 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/29/2>

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### **Food Policy** Volume 75

Volume 84 Pages 1-204 (April 2019)

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

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### **Food Security**

Volume 11, Issue 1, February 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/11/1>

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### **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.

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### **Forum for Development Studies**

Volume 46, 2019 - Issue 1

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current>

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### **Genocide Studies International**

Volume 12 Issue 2, Fall 2018

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### **Genome Medicine**

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## **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....

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## **Global Health Action**

Volume 11, 2018 – Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/11/1?nav=tocList>

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

Vol. 7, No. 1 March 22, 2019

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

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## **Global Public Health**

Volume 14, 2019 Issue 5

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## **Globalization and Health**

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

[Accessed 24 Nov 2018]

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## **Health Affairs**

Vol. 38 , No. 4 March 2019

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

### ***Physicians, Medicare & More***

*Research Article Behavioral Health Care*



## **Measuring The Lifetime Costs Of Serious Mental Illness And The Mitigating Effects Of Educational Attainment**

Seth A. Seabury, Sarah Axeen, Gwyn Pauley, Bryan Tysinger, Danielle Schlosser, John B. Hernandez, Hanke Heun-Johnson, Henu Zhao, and Dana P. Goldman

### **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***

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### **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, 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>

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### **Health Policy and Planning**

Volume 33, Issue 10, 1 December 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/10>

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### **Health Promotion International**

Volume 34, Issue 2, April 2019

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### **Health Research Policy and Systems**

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### **Human Rights Quarterly**

Volume 41, Number 1, February 2019

<http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39881>

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

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

Chad. The edition ends with an article by Stewart Davies 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>

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**Infectious Diseases of Poverty**

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

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**International Health**

Volume 11, Issue 3, May 2019

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**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>

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

Vol 6, No 5 (2019) May 2019

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/50>

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**International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction**

Volume 34 Pages 1-480 (March 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/34/suppl/C>

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**International Journal of Epidemiology**

Volume 48, Issue 2, April 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/48/2>

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**International Journal of Heritage Studies**

Volume 25, Issue 6 2019

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current>  
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### **International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare**

Volume 12 Issue 2 2019

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/ijhrh/12/2>  
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### **International Journal of Infectious Diseases**

March 2019 Volume 80, Supplement, S1-S84

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(19\)X0005-3](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(19)X0005-3)  
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### **International Migration Review**

Volume 53 Issue 1, March 2019

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

April 23/30, 2019, Vol 321, No. 16, Pages 1547-1642

<http://jama.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx>  
*Health Policy*

#### **Canada's Amendment to Patented Drug Price Regulation - A Prescription for Global Drug Cost Control?**

Brittany Humphries, MSc; Feng Xie, PhD  
free access

JAMA. 2019;321(16):1565-1566. doi:10.1001/jama.2019.2280

This Viewpoint reviews proposed changes to regulations governing Canada's Patented Medicine Process Review Board, a group mandated by Canada's government to ensure manufacturers do not charge excessive drug prices, including use of cost-utility analyses to define excessive pricing, revision of reference country comparisons, and reducing regulatory burdens for generic drugs.

*Editorial*

#### **Lowering Cost and Increasing Access to Drugs Without Jeopardizing Innovation**

Robert M. Califf, MD; Andrew Slavitt, MBA  
[Initial text]

US drug costs have reached unacceptable and unsustainable levels. Evidence shows that “financial toxicity” arising from drug costs and other medical expenses is reducing financial security for many families<sup>1</sup> and prompting difficult choices, as patients defer or forgo therapies they cannot afford.<sup>2</sup> In stark contrast, comparable countries negotiate drug prices and use drugs more effectively. Recent data suggest that other high-income countries have an average life expectancy approximately 3 to 5 years longer than that of the United States, which ranks last among high-income countries and is losing ground compared with peer nations.<sup>3</sup> Although drug prices account for only part of these trends, they nevertheless add to disparities that dominate the trajectories of US health outcomes.

An effective policy solution to this problem must satisfy the core requirements of reducing drug costs and increasing access to beneficial drugs, while continuing to incentivize development of new therapies. The path forward requires a sustainable, fair payment system in which drug prices reflect the value provided and reward innovations that improve outcomes. Four Viewpoints in this issue of JAMA<sup>4-7</sup> recommend different but overlapping approaches for achieving these goals...

### **JAMA Pediatrics**

April 2019, Vol 173, No. 4, Pages 303-404

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

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### **JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports**

April 2019 - Volume 17 - Issue 4

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

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### **Journal of Adolescent Health**

April 2019 Volume 64, Issue 4, p419-546

[https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X\(18\)X0006-8](https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(18)X0006-8)

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### **Journal of Community Health**

Volume 44, Issue 2, April 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/44/2>

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### **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>

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### **Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development**

2019: Volume 9 Issue 2

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jchmsd/9/2>

Type: Case study

**Participation and conflict between local community and institutions in conservation processes: The case of Novara Old Town**

Giuseppe Cina', Merve Demiröz, Qi Mu (pp. 134 - 148)

**Sustainable adaptive reuse – economic impact of cultural heritage**

Tris Kee (pp. 165 - 183)

Type: Research paper

**Participation in decision making regarding the conservation of heritage resources and conservation attitudes in Kilwa Kisiwani, Tanzania**

Batholomeo Jerome Chinyele, Noel Biseko Lwoga (pp. 184 - 198)

Type: Research paper

**Heritage values: towards a holistic and participatory management approach**

Veronica Cristina Heras, María Soledad Moscoso Cordero, Anja Wijffels, Alicia Tenze, Diego Esteban Jaramillo Paredes (pp. 199 - 211)

Type: Research paper

**Journal of Development Economics**

Volume 138 Pages 1-308 (May 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/138/suppl/C>

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**Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics**

Volume 14 Issue 2, April 2019

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

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**Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**

April 2019 - Volume 73 - 4

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/73/4>

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**Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine**

Volume 12, Issue 1 Pages: 1-88 February 2019

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

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**Journal of Global Ethics**

Volume 15, Issue 1, 2019

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjge20/current>

***Special Issue: Indian Global Ethics Initiative***

*introduction*

**An Indian global ethics initiative**

Shashi Motilal & Jay Drydyk

Pages: 1-5

Published online: 22 Apr 2019

**ABSTRACT**

In what sense must global ethics be global? In one sense, it must deal with global issues. In another, it must not be parochial but inclusive of normative views from around the world. So far, global ethics has met the first standard much better than the second. Authors based in the global South contribute approximately 5% of the internationally published research on global ethics. With this in mind, the co-editors of this special issue sought to bring more perspectives, experiences, and authors from India into the international global ethics conversation, and so they launched the Indian Global Ethics Initiative. Their first step, this special issue, presents Indian experience and authors on topics including urban development, care ethics, women's empowerment, fair trade, distorted policy research, poverty, and health. Much of this work is grounded by the authors' experience in policy-making and advocacy for social and global justice. The co-editors invite contact from interested readers who would like to join and continue this Indian Global Ethics Initiative, as well as readers who would like to take similar initiatives in other regions.

*Article*

**The theory-practice nexus of care ethics and global development: a case study from India**

Bindu Madhok

Pages: 21-31

Published online: 22 Apr 2019

*Article*

**Poverty and development: global problems from an Indian perspective**

B. K. Chaturvedi

Pages: 55-66

Published online: 22 Apr 2019

*Article*

**Indian healthcare through the global health ethics lens: despite some gains, have we truly progressed?**

Yogesh Jain & Shaheen Chowdhury

Pages: 76-84

Published online: 22 Apr 2019

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

Volume 30, Number 1, February 2019

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39946>

***Black History Month Themes***

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**Journal of Human Trafficking**

Volume 5, Issue 2, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>

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### **Journal of Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management**

Volume 9 Issue 1 2019

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jhlscm/8/4>

*Type: Research paper*

#### **A disaster typology towards informing humanitarian relief supply chain design**

Jonathon Mackay, Albert Munoz, Matthew Pepper (pp. 22 - 46)

#### **Outsourcing of humanitarian logistics to commercial logistics service providers: An empirical investigation**

Ioanna Falagara Sigala, Tina Wakolbinger (pp. 47 - 69)

Type: Research paper

### **Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health**

Volume 21, Issue 2, April 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/21/2>

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

Volume 17, 2019\_ Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>

#### ***Special Issue: Social Policies as a Tool of Migration Control***

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Journal of Infectious Diseases**

Volume 217, Issue 11, 27 Apr 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/217/1>

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### **Journal of International Development**

Volume 31, Issue 3 Pages: 223-287 April 2019

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

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### **Journal of Medical Ethics**

April 2019 - Volume 45 - 4

<http://jme.bmj.com/content/current>

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**Journal of Medical Internet Research**

Vol 21, No 3 (2019): March

<https://www.jmir.org/2019/3>

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**Journal of Operations Management**

Volume 64 Pages 1-88 (November 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-operations-management/vol/64/suppl/C>

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**Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews**

Volume 6, Issue 1 (2019)

<https://digitalrepository.aurorahealthcare.org/jpcrr/>

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**Journal of Pediatrics**

April 2019 Volume 207, p1-270

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**Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice**

<https://joppp.biomedcentral.com/>

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**Journal of Public Health Management & Practice**

March/April 2019 - Volume 25 - Issue 2

<https://journals.lww.com/jphmp/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

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**Journal of Public Health Policy**

Volume 40, Issue 1, March 2019

<https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/40/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

**Journal of Refugee & Global Health**

Volume 2, Issue 1 (2019)

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

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## **Journal of the Royal Society – Interface**

6 February 2019 Volume 16 Issue 151

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rsif/16/151>

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## **Journal of Travel Medicine**

Volume 26, Issue 1, 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/26/1>

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## **The Lancet**

Apr 27, 2019 Volume 393 Number 10182 p1669-1772, e39

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

*Editorial*

### **Measles eradication: a goal within reach, slipping away**

The Lancet

*[See Milestones – Measles above for full text]*

*Editorial*

### **Mining: protect the rights of local communities**

The Lancet

In March, 2016, Sikhosiphi “Bazooka” Rhadebe, who had been protesting against a titanium mine in the Xolobeni region of South Africa, received eight shots to the head in his home. Three years later, the perpetrators have not been identified. Rhadebe's death was in no way an isolated incident, as was reported in a [joint report](#) published April 16 by the Centre for Environmental Rights, groundWork, Earthjustice, and Human Rights Watch, which finds that those who dare protest against mining activities in South Africa face harassment, intimidation, or violence. This is not only true in South Africa. For instance, on April 22, it was reported that the fire was opened on protesters demanding the dismantlement of a gold mine in Sudan, which had killed eight when it collapsed.

The mining industry has had a long and terrible history. Health risks due to exposure to toxic materials, dust, toxic gases and substances, explosives, risks of mine collapse, or more indirect effects, such as increased exposure to vector-borne diseases, contamination of water, soil, and air with heavy metals, or loss of arable and ancestral land, remain pervasive in the industry today.

Nevertheless, awareness of and regulation against the negative health, social, and environmental effects of mining have been growing since the mid-20th century. In South Africa, for example, [courts have recently held that](#), without meaningful community consultation, permission, and appropriate financial arrangements benefiting that community, a mining company cannot lawfully exploit that land, and extensive legislation has been put in place regarding mining safety and compensation for injuries. The authorities are known to react strongly when there is a safety violation—sometimes shutting down mines entirely, causing massive financial loss.

21st century mining is keen to present a different face, one that takes corporate responsibility, sustainable development goals, and health and safety assessments seriously. However, Human Rights Watch draws the portrait of an industry that is still built at the expense of local communities' rights.

That people need to protest to have their rights respected is saddening, but that their lives are endangered while doing so is deplorable. Industrial gains cannot come at that cost.

#### *Articles*

#### **Effectiveness of a brief group psychological intervention for women in a post-conflict setting in Pakistan: a single-blind, cluster, randomised controlled trial**

Atif Rahman, Muhammad Naseem Khan, Syed Usman Hamdani, Anna Chiumento, Parveen Akhtar, Huma Nazir, Anum Nisar, Aqsa Masood, Iftikhar Ud Din, Nasir Ali Khan, Richard A Bryant, Katie S Dawson, Marit Sijbrandij, Duolao Wang, Mark van Ommeren

Many women are affected by anxiety and depression after armed conflict in low-income and middle-income countries, yet few scalable options for their mental health care exist. We aimed to establish the effectiveness of a brief group psychological intervention for women in a conflict-affected setting in rural Swat, Pakistan.

#### **Lancet Global Health**

Apr 2019 Volume 7 Number 4 e385-e532

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

#### *Editorial*

#### **The true meaning of leaving no one behind**

The Lancet Global Health

*[See Week in Review above for full text]*

#### *Comment*

#### **Are expensive vaccines the best investment in low-income and middle-income countries?**

Lone Simonsen, Maarten van Wijhe, Robert Taylor

*[Initial text]*

In a new study in The Lancet Global Health, John Ojal and colleagues project that the use of ten-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV10) will be cost-effective in Kenya after international donor support for vaccine programmes ends in around 2027. Until now, Kenya has relied on funding from Gavi, the international vaccine alliance, to fund its PCV programme. But because Gavi withdraws support from countries as their economies grow, Kenya will have to bear the full \$9 per child cost for a three-dose course of PCVs starting in 2027. For Kenya, where annual per capita actual expenditure for health is around \$70 (about 5% of GDP), that is not a trivial cost.

Kenya is not alone in having to decide whether expensive vaccines are worth the money, as many other lower-middle-income countries with growing economies will soon lose international support. For these countries, careful evaluation of the cost-effectiveness and affordability of such programmes, and how they hold up against alternative investments in population health, are essential. The current study is a much-appreciated effort to provide important insights to countries around the world as they struggle to decide how best to spend scarce resources...

#### *Articles*

#### **Sustaining pneumococcal vaccination after transitioning from Gavi support: a modelling and cost-effectiveness study in Kenya**

John Ojal, Ulla Griffiths, Laura L Hammit, Ifedayo Adetifa, Donald Akech, Collins Tabu, J Anthony G Scott, Stefan Flasche

## **Lancet Infectious Diseases**

May 2019 Volume 19 Number 5 p449-558, e148-e186

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

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### **Ebola: public trust, intermediaries, and rumour in the DR Congo**

Joe Trapido

### **A new social sciences network for infectious threats**

Tamara Giles-Vernick, et al

*Articles*

### **Institutional trust and misinformation in the response to the 2018–19 Ebola outbreak in North Kivu, DR Congo: a population-based survey**

Patrick Vinck, Phuong N Pham, Kenedy K Bindu, Juliet Bedford, Eric J Nilles

*Summary*

**Background**

The current outbreak of Ebola in eastern DR Congo, beginning in 2018, emerged in a complex and violent political and security environment. Community-level prevention and outbreak control measures appear to be dependent on public trust in relevant authorities and information, but little scholarship has explored these issues. We aimed to investigate the role of trust and misinformation on individual preventive behaviours during an outbreak of Ebola virus disease (EVD).

**Methods**

We surveyed 961 adults between Sept 1 and Sept 16, 2018. We used a multistage sampling design in Beni and Butembo in North Kivu, DR Congo. Of 412 avenues and cells (the lowest administrative structures; 99 in Beni and 313 in Butembo), we randomly selected 30 in each city. In each avenue or cell, 16 households were selected using the WHO Expanded Programme on Immunization's random walk approach. In each household, one adult (aged  $\geq 18$  years) was randomly selected for interview. Standardised questionnaires were administered by experienced interviewers. We used multivariate models to examine the intermediate variables of interest, including institutional trust and belief in selected misinformation, with outcomes of interest related to EVD prevention behaviours.

**Findings**

Among 961 respondents, 349 (31·9%, 95% CI 27·4–36·9) trusted that local authorities represent their interest. Belief in misinformation was widespread, with 230 (25·5%, 21·7–29·6) respondents believing that the Ebola outbreak was not real. Low institutional trust and belief in misinformation were associated with a decreased likelihood of adopting preventive behaviours, including acceptance of Ebola vaccines (odds ratio 0·22, 95% CI 0·21–0·22, and 1·40, 1·39–1·42) and seeking formal health care (0·06, 0·05–0·06, and 1·16, 1·15–1·17).

**Interpretation**

The findings underscore the practical implications of mistrust and misinformation for outbreak control. These factors are associated with low compliance with messages of social and behavioural change and refusal to seek formal medical care or accept vaccines, which in turn increases the risk of spread of EVD.

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*Review*

### **Venezuela's humanitarian crisis, resurgence of vector-borne diseases, and implications for spillover in the region**

Maria E Grillet et al,

### *Summary*

In the past 5–10 years, Venezuela has faced a severe economic crisis, precipitated by political instability and declining oil revenue. Public health provision has been affected particularly. In this Review, we assess the impact of Venezuela's health-care crisis on vector-borne diseases, and the spillover into neighbouring countries. Between 2000 and 2015, Venezuela witnessed a 359% increase in malaria cases, followed by a 71% increase in 2017 (411,586 cases) compared with 2016 (240 613). Neighbouring countries, such as Brazil, have reported an escalating trend of imported malaria cases from Venezuela, from 1538 in 2014 to 3129 in 2017. In Venezuela, active Chagas disease transmission has been reported, with seroprevalence in children (<10 years), estimated to be as high as 12·5% in one community tested (n=64). Dengue incidence increased by more than four times between 1990 and 2016. The estimated incidence of chikungunya during its epidemic peak is 6975 cases per 100 000 people and that of Zika virus is 2057 cases per 100,000 people. The re-emergence of many vector-borne diseases represents a public health crisis in Venezuela and has the possibility of severely undermining regional disease elimination efforts. National, regional, and global authorities must take action to address these worsening epidemics and prevent their expansion beyond Venezuelan borders.

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[http://www.nature.com/nature/current\\_issue.html](http://www.nature.com/nature/current_issue.html)

*World View* | 24 April 2019

**[Rein in the four horsemen of irreproducibility](#)**

Dorothy Bishop describes how threats to reproducibility, recognized but unaddressed for decades, might finally be brought under control.

*Review Article* | 24 April 2019

### **Machine behaviour**

Understanding the behaviour of the machines powered by artificial intelligence that increasingly mediate our social, cultural, economic and political interactions is essential to our ability to control the actions of these intelligent machines, reap their benefits and minimize their harms.

Iyad Rahwan, Manuel Cebrian[...] & Michael Wellman

#### *Abstract*

Machines powered by artificial intelligence increasingly mediate our social, cultural, economic and political interactions. Understanding the behaviour of artificial intelligence systems is essential to our ability to control their actions, reap their benefits and minimize their harms. Here we argue that this necessitates a broad scientific research agenda to study machine behaviour that incorporates and expands upon the discipline of computer science and includes insights from across the sciences. We first outline a set of questions that are fundamental to this emerging field and then explore the technical, legal and institutional constraints on the study of machine behaviour.

### **Nature Biotechnology**

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## **Pharmacoeconomics**

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## **PLoS Medicine**

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*Perspective*

### **Tuberculosis vaccines: Rising opportunities**

Johan Vekemans, Katherine L. O'Brien, Jeremy Farrar

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*Research Article*

### **Lay health supporters aided by mobile text messaging to improve adherence, symptoms, and functioning among people with schizophrenia in a resource-poor community in rural China (LEAN): A randomized controlled trial**

Dong (Roman) Xu, Shuiyuan Xiao, Hua He, Eric D. Caine, Stephen Gloyd, Jane Simoni, James P.

Hughes, Juan Nie, Meijuan Lin, Wenjun He, Yeqing Yuan, Wenjie Gong

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### **Socioeconomic position and use of healthcare in the last year of life: A systematic review and meta-analysis**

Joanna M. Davies, Katherine E. Sleeman, Javiera Leniz, Rebecca Wilson, Irene J. Higginson, Julia Verne, Matthew Maddocks, Fliss E. M. Murtagh

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*Viewpoints*

### **Knowledge engagement in gene drive research for malaria control**

Sarah Hartley, Delphine Thizy, Katie Ledingham, Mamadou Coulibaly, Abdoulaye Diabaté, Bakara Dicko, Samba Diop, Jonathan Kayondo, Annet Namukwaya, Barry Nourou, Léa Paré Toé

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*Introduction: Development of gene drive mosquitoes*

Gene drive mosquitoes are a novel approach to vector control being developed to help tackle malaria. A gene drive increases the frequency of a desired gene and its phenotypic effect into a mosquito population through reproduction in relatively few generations [1]. Combining gene drive with the precision of gene editing, scientists are able to modify the *Anopheles* mosquito genome and push modifications through natural vector populations. Population-suppression drives restrict the population of *Anopheles* mosquitoes through the spread of recessive lethal and sterility genes or by biasing the sex ratio [2]. Population-replacement drives interfere with the ability of the *Anopheles* mosquito to transmit the *Plasmodium* parasite [3]. The potential benefits of gene drive may be significant, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, where malaria is endemic and increasing insecticide and drug resistance threaten health gains made in this area [4].

Scientists and funding bodies have made repeated calls for public engagement in gene drive [5, 6]. In 2016, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) published its report, *Gene Drives on the Horizon: Advancing Science, Navigating Uncertainty, and Aligning Research with Public Values* [7]. The report identified public engagement as a key area of responsible science, defining engagement as “seeking and facilitating the sharing and exchange of knowledge, perspectives, and preferences between or among groups who often have differences in expertise, power, and values” [7]. Researchers are asked to participate in two-way engagement with publics (defined as stakeholders, communities, and the public) to allow their knowledge to contribute to technology development and align the technology with public values. In this viewpoint, we share our initial research findings in this area and propose a conceptual tool that contributes to the debate at this critical juncture...

## **PLoS One**

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*Research Article*

### **Perceptions of water insecurity from urban and peri-urban Haiti: A quantitative analysis**

Elizabeth A. Wood, Hannah Douglas, Andrew J. Fiore, Robinson Bernier, Kelly S. Chapman

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**[Global warming has increased global economic inequality](#)**

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*Significance*

We find that global warming has very likely exacerbated global economic inequality, including ~25% increase in population-weighted between-country inequality over the past half century. This increase results from the impact of warming on annual economic growth, which over the course of decades has accumulated robust and substantial declines in economic output in hotter, poorer countries—and increases in many cooler, wealthier countries—relative to a world without anthropogenic warming. Thus, the global warming caused by fossil fuel use has likely exacerbated the economic inequality associated with historical disparities in energy consumption. Our results suggest that low-carbon energy sources have the potential to provide a substantial secondary development benefit, in addition to the primary benefits of increased energy access.

*Abstract*

Understanding the causes of economic inequality is critical for achieving equitable economic development. To investigate whether global warming has affected the recent evolution of inequality, we combine counterfactual historical temperature trajectories from a suite of global climate models with extensively replicated empirical evidence of the relationship between historical temperature fluctuations and economic growth. Together, these allow us to generate probabilistic country-level estimates of the influence of anthropogenic climate forcing on historical economic output. We find very high likelihood that anthropogenic climate forcing has increased economic inequality between countries. For example, per capita gross domestic product (GDP) has been reduced 17–31% at the poorest four deciles of the population-weighted country-level per capita GDP distribution, yielding a ratio between the top and bottom deciles that is 25% larger than in a world without global warming. As a result, although between-country inequality has decreased over the past half century, there is ~90% likelihood that global warming has slowed that decrease. The primary driver is the parabolic relationship between temperature and economic growth, with warming increasing growth in cool countries and decreasing growth in warm countries. Although there is uncertainty in whether historical warming has benefited some temperate, rich countries, for most poor countries there is >90% likelihood that per capita GDP is lower today than if global warming had not occurred. Thus, our results show that, in addition to not sharing equally in the direct benefits of fossil fuel use, many poor countries have been significantly harmed by the warming arising from wealthy countries' energy consumption.

**Prehospital & Disaster Medicine**

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

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**Preventive Medicine**

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### **Proceedings of the Royal Society B**

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### **Public Health**

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[\*\*Assessing the potential outcomes of achieving the World Health Organization global non-communicable diseases targets for risk factors by 2025: is there also an economic dividend?\*\*](#)

M. Devaux, A. Lerouge, B. Ventelou, Y. Goryakin, ... M. Cecchini

Pages 173-179

*Review article Open access*

[\*\*Economic evaluations of public health implementation-interventions: a systematic review and guideline for practice\*\*](#)

P. Reeves, K. Edmunds, A. Searles, J. Wiggers

### **Public Health Ethics**

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### **Qualitative Health Research**

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*Research Articles*

[\*\*Women's Healing Journey From Intimate Partner Violence: Establishing Positive Sexuality\*\*](#)

Meredith E. Bagwell-Gray

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### **Refugee Survey Quarterly**

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### **Research Ethics**

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### **Science**

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*Editorial*

#### **Health for all**

By Seth Berkley, Henrietta Fore

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*Summary*

Imagine a world where affordable, quality health care is available to every person, and where infectious disease and infant and maternal mortality are as rare in the poorest parts as they are in wealthier countries. The world has already come a long way toward meeting this goal. But to finish the job, we need to change our thinking.

*Reviews*

### **Rewilding complex ecosystems**

By Andrea Perino, Henrique M. Pereira, Laetitia M. Navarro, Néstor Fernández, James M. Bullock, Silvia Ceașu, Ainara Cortés-Avizanda, Roel van Klink, Tobias Kuemmerle, Angela Lomba, Guy Pe'er, Tobias Plieninger, José M. Rey Benayas, Christopher J. Sandom, Jens-Christian Svenning, Helen C. Wheeler  
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#### ***BACKGROUND***

Rapid global change is creating fundamental challenges for the persistence of natural ecosystems and their biodiversity. Conservation efforts aimed at the protection of landscapes have had mixed success, and there is an increasing awareness that the long-term protection of biodiversity requires inclusion of flexible restoration along with protection. Rewilding is one such approach that has been both promoted and criticized in recent years. Proponents emphasize the potential of rewilding to tap opportunities for restoration while creating benefits for both ecosystems and societies. Critics discuss the lack of a consistent definition of rewilding and insufficient knowledge about its potential outcomes. Other criticisms arise from the mistaken notion that rewilding actions are planned without considering societal acceptability and benefits. Here, we present a framework for rewilding actions that can serve as a guideline for researchers and managers. The framework is applicable to a variety of rewilding approaches, ranging from passive to trophic rewilding, and aims to promote beneficial interactions between society and nature.

### **Social Science & Medicine**

Volume 226 Pages 1-274 (April 2019)

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### **Stability: International Journal of Security & Development**

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### **Stanford Social Innovation Review**

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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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### **Trauma, Violence, & Abuse**

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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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