

ge²p² global foundation

governance, ethics, evidence, policy, practice

The Sentinel

**Human Rights Action :: Humanitarian Response :: Health :: Education ::
Heritage Stewardship :: Sustainable Development**

Period ending 9 May 2020 :: Number 312

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

The Sentinel is a service of the [GE2P2 Global Foundation](http://ge2p2-center.net/), which is solely responsible for its content. Comments and suggestions should be directed to:

David R. Curry

Editor, The Sentinel

President, GE2P2 Global Foundation

david.r.curry@ge2p2center.net

The Sentinel is also available as a pdf document

linked from this page:

<http://ge2p2-center.net/>

Support this knowledge-sharing service:

Your financial support helps us cover our costs and address a current shortfall in our annual operating budget. Click [here](#) to donate and thank you in advance for your contribution.

Contents *[click on link below to move to associated content]*

:: [Week in Review](#)

:: [Key Agency/IGO/Governments Watch](#) - Selected Updates from 30+ entities

:: [INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch](#) - Media Releases, Major Initiatives, Research

:: [Foundation/Major Donor Watch](#) - Selected Updates

:: [Journal Watch](#) - Key articles and abstracts from 100+ peer-reviewed journals

:: 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.

.....
.....

Heritage Stewardship

101 people arrested and 19,000 artefacts recovered in international crackdown on cultural goods trafficking

06 May 2020

More than 19,000 archaeological artefacts and other artworks have been recovered as part of a global operation spanning 103 countries and focusing on the dismantlement of international networks of art and antiquities traffickers.

101 suspects have been arrested, and 300 investigations opened as part of this coordinated crackdown. The criminal networks handled archaeological goods and artwork looted from war-stricken countries, as well as works stolen from museums and archaeological sites.

Seizures include coins from different periods, archaeological objects, ceramics, historical weapons, paintings and fossils. Facilitating objects, such as metal detectors were also seized.

These results were achieved during the global Operation ATHENA II, led by the World Customs Organization (WCO) and INTERPOL, which was carried out in synchronization with the Europe-focused Operation PANDORA IV coordinated by the Spanish Civil Guard (Guardia Civil) and Europol. Details of both Operations, which ran in the autumn of 2019, can only be released now due to operational reasons...

Operational highlights

:: Afghan Customs seized 971 cultural objects at Kabul airport just as the objects were about to depart for Istanbul, Turkey.

:: The Spanish National Police (Policia Nacional), working together with the Colombian Police (Policia Nacional de Colombia), recovered at Barajas airport in Madrid some very rare pre-Columbian objects illegally acquired through looting in Colombia, including a unique Tumaco gold mask and several gold figurines and items of ancient jewellery. Three traffickers were arrested in Spain, and the Colombian authorities carried out house searches in Bogota, resulting in the seizure of a further 242 pre-Columbian objects, the largest ever seizure in the country's history.

:: The investigation of a single case of online sale led to the seizure of 2,500 ancient coins by the Argentinian Federal Police Force (Policia Federal Argentina), the largest seizure for this category of items, while the second largest seizure was made by Latvian State Police (Latvijas Valsts Policija) for a total of 1,375 coins.

:: Six European Police forces reported the seizure of a hundred and eight metal detectors, demonstrating that looting in Europe is still an ongoing business...

.....
.....

Featured Journal Content

Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 22, Issue 3, June 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/22/3>

Review Paper

Healthcare Policies for Stateless Populations in ASEAN Countries: A Scoping Review

Proloy Barua, Mukdarut Bangpan

Abstract

This study aimed at summarizing the existing health policies for stateless populations living in the 10 ASEAN countries: Brunei, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. We followed scoping review method recommended by Arksey and O'Malley. Our inclusion criteria were based on three concepts: populations (stateless and undocumented people), issues (healthcare policies and regulations), and settings (10 ASEAN countries). Our findings suggest that none of the ASEAN countries have explicit healthcare policies for stateless people except Thailand. We also observed that ratification of international human rights treaties relating to the right to health does not necessarily translate into the provision of healthcare policies for stateless population. Although Thailand seems like the only country among 10 ASIAN countries having health policies for stateless populations in the country, the question remains whether having a policy would lead to a proper implementation by ensuring right to health.

.....
.....

Featured journal Content

International Journal of Production Research

(In Press) 2020-04-20

The potential of emergent disruptive technologies for humanitarian supply chains: The integration of Blockchain, Artificial Intelligence and 3D Printing

O Rodríguez-Espíndola, S Chowdhury, A Beltagui...

Abstract

The growing importance of humanitarian operations has created an imperative to overcome the complications currently recorded in the field. Challenges such as delays, congestion, poor communication and lack of accountability may represent opportunities to test the reported advantages of emergent disruptive technologies. Meanwhile, the literature on humanitarian supply chains looks at isolated applications of technology and lacks a framework for understanding challenges and solutions, a gap that this article aims to fill. Using a case study based on the flood of Tabasco of 2007 in Mexico, this research identifies solutions based on the use of emergent disruptive technologies. Furthermore, this article argues that the integration of different technologies is essential to deliver real benefits to the humanitarian supply chain. As a result, it proposes a framework to improve the flow of information, products and financial resources in humanitarian supply chains integrating three emergent disruptive technologies; Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain and 3D Printing. The analysis presented shows the potential of the framework to reduce congestion in the supply chain, enhance simultaneous collaboration of different stakeholders, decrease lead times, increase transparency, traceability and

accountability of material and financial resources, and allow victims to get involved in the fulfilment of their own needs.

.....
.....

Internal Displacement :: Children

Lost at home :: The risks and challenges for internally displaced children and the urgent actions needed to protect them

UNICEF

May 2020 :: 36 pages

Core report team (in alphabetical order): Jan Beise, Claus Hansen, Laura Healy, Sinae Lee, Naomi Lindt, Yukun Pei, Danzhen You

PDF: https://data.unicef.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Lost-at-home-risks-and-challenges-for-IDP-children-English_2020.pdf

[Excerpt from opening essay; text bolding from original]

Today, more children than ever before are displaced within their own countries. Their harrowing stories of displacement are unfolding every day, and with increasing frequency. **At the end of 2019, approximately 45.7 million people were internally displaced by conflict and violence (Fig. 1.1).** Nearly half – 19 million – were estimated to be children. And millions more are displaced every year by natural disasters.¹

Annually, the number of internally displaced persons regularly outpaces that of refugees, in many recent years at more than twice the total. And while most of those internally displaced do not end up crossing international borders, many will become refugees and vulnerable migrants.² Internally displaced persons really are the invisible majority of the world's displaced population.³

Looking ahead, climate-related resource scarcity and conflicts will likely continue to trigger massive – and extensive – displacement. The World Bank estimates there could be more than 140 million people internally displaced by climate by 2050. That's 100 times the scale of Europe's refugee and migrant crisis in 2015–2016.⁴

In many countries around the world, internally displaced children persistently lack access to basic services. This effectively limits or denies them the right to education, health, protection and non-discrimination. These deprivations can be particularly acute in the life of a child. Removed from a stable, secure home and the communities they need to thrive – family, friends, classmates and teachers – internally displaced children are exposed to a host of harms and dangers. Family separation, negative coping strategies such as child labour and child marriage, and violence, exploitation, abuse and trafficking pose direct threats to their lives and futures. **Internally displaced persons can be displaced multiple times or live in protracted displacement,** their needs and vulnerabilities changing during the process.⁵ Some become caught up in cyclical displacement, which can mean finding durable solutions is even more difficult.⁶

Despite its global scale, internal displacement is largely overshadowed by the current political and public focus on refugees and migrants. Two United Nations (UN) agreements, the Global Compact for Migration and the Global Compact on Refugees,⁷ set objectives aligned with the

commitment to leave no one behind captured in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.⁸ Yet despite the fact that the first step for many refugees and migrants in displacement is within their own borders, neither compact explicitly addresses the concerns of internally displaced people. **Internal displacement requires global action.** In response to a UN General Assembly Resolution on Protection and Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons, a three-year GP20 Plan of Action was launched to strengthen collaboration in addressing the challenges of internal displacement.⁹ The establishment of the High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement in late 2019 aims to bring about concrete and long-term solutions to these challenges.¹⁰...

Press Release

19 million children internally displaced by conflict and violence in 2019, highest number ever

Internally displaced children among the world's most vulnerable to COVID-19

NEW YORK, 5 May 2020 – An estimated 19 million children, more than ever before, were living in displacement within their own countries due to conflict and violence in 2019 – some of them for years, UNICEF said in a new report today.

The report, '[Lost at Home](#)', looks at the risks and challenges internally displaced children face, and the urgent actions needed to protect them. As COVID-19 continues to spread around the world, these children are among the most vulnerable to its direct and indirect impacts.

"Millions of displaced children around the world are already going without proper care and protection," said UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore. "When new crises emerge, like the COVID-19 pandemic, these children are especially vulnerable. It is essential that governments and humanitarian partners work together to keep them safe, healthy, learning and protected."

Internally displaced children lack access to basic services and are at risk of exposure to violence, exploitation, abuse and trafficking, the report says. They are also at risk of child labour, child marriage and family separation which all pose direct threats to their health and safety.

The COVID-19 pandemic is making a critical situation for displaced children and families even worse. They often live in overcrowded camps or informal settlements, where access to basic hygiene and health services is limited, and where physical distancing is not possible. These conditions are highly conducive to the spread of diseases like COVID-19.

According to the report, there were 12 million new displacements of children in 2019, 3.8 million of them were caused by conflict and violence, and 8.2 million by disasters linked mostly to weather-related events like flooding and storms.

Through the report, UNICEF calls for strategic investments and a united effort from governments, civil society, private sector, humanitarian actors and children themselves to address the child-specific drivers of displacement, especially all forms of violence, exploitation and abuse.

UNICEF also calls on governments convening under the High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement, established by United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres, to take concrete action and investment that will help provide protection and equitable access to services for all internally displaced children and their families.

Critical to delivering on this agenda is better, timely and accessible data and evidence, disaggregated by age and gender, to improve collective understanding of how internal displacement affects children and their families. Internally displaced children and youth themselves must have a seat at the table, be taken seriously and offered the opportunity to be part of the solution, the report says.

.....
.....

COVID-19 – Child Protection

COVID-19: Urgent need for child protection services to mitigate the risk of child sexual abuse and exploitation worldwide

6 May 2020

GENEVA (6 May 2020) – A UN human rights expert today warned that a reported surge in violence against children and new forms of sexual exploitation and abuse of them during COVID-19 lockdowns will have lifelong implications for millions worldwide.

Mama Fatima Singhateh, the Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children, said between 42 million and 66 million children worldwide are already in a precarious socio-economic situation, even before the hidden impact of the COVID-19 crisis emerges.

“The damage to millions of children will be devastating if we are slow in mobilising child protection services for early detection and prevention,” Singhateh said.

“A comprehensive mapping and rapid and responsive child protection measures are paramount to assess the magnitude of this crisis on the most vulnerable children, including those who are refugees, displaced, homeless, migrants, minorities, slum-dwellers, living with disabilities, living on the streets, living in refugee settlements, and in institutions,” she said.

The independent expert said COVID-19 travel restrictions had spawned new forms of child sexual exploitation and abuse, including attempts to establish a “delivery” or “drive-thru” service for sexual exploitation of children.

“There has also been a spike in the number of attempts to access illegal websites featuring child sexual abuse material. Producing and accessing child sexual abuse material and live-stream child sexual abuse online has now become an easy alternative to groom and lure children into sexual activities and to trade images in online communities,” Singhateh said.

The COVID-19 pandemic will leave those already left behind trailing even further behind. “Our commitments made under Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to leave no one behind is now more relevant than ever.”

Social benefits and social protection nets should prioritise low-income and vulnerable communities and families to alleviate COVID-19 collateral damage on children, the expert said.

Victim and survivor outreach, non-discriminatory child protection systems, public education and awareness campaigns, expanded helpline services and safe accommodation were among essential measures to mitigate harm.

"The UN Secretary-General's [Policy Brief: The Impact of COVID-19 on children](#) should serve as a roadmap to shape our response to the crisis. In doing so, children should be given the space for meaningful and inclusive participation so that their voices would be heard and amplified in decisions affecting their lives," Singhateh concluded.

.....
.....

Commemorating Smallpox Eradication – a legacy of hope, for COVID-19 and other diseases

8 May 2020 *News release*

On 8 May 1980, the 33rd World Health Assembly officially declared: 'The world and all its peoples have won freedom from smallpox.'

The declaration marked the end of a disease that had plagued humanity for at least 3 000 years, killing 300 million people in the 20th century alone.

It was ended, thanks to a 10-year global effort, spearheaded by the World Health Organization, that involved thousands of health workers around the world to administer half a billion vaccinations to stamp out smallpox.

The US\$ 300m price-tag to eradicate smallpox saves the world well over US\$ 1 billion every year since 1980.

Speaking at a virtual event hosted at WHO-HQ, involving key players in the eradication effort, WHO Director-General, Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said, "As the world confronts the COVID-19 pandemic, humanity's victory over smallpox is a reminder of what is possible when nations come together to fight a common health threat."

...At the event, Dr Tedros unveiled a commemorative postal stamp to recognize the global solidarity that drove the initiative and honour the efforts of health workers who ensured its success.

The stamp, developed by the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA), in collaboration with WHO, signifies what national unity and global solidarity can achieve. Numerous countries, such as Guinea, India, Nigeria, Philippines, Togo and others issued smallpox stamps to show support for, and raise awareness about WHO's [Intensified Smallpox Eradication Programme](#) launched in 1967.

...Following smallpox eradication, WHO and UNICEF launched the Expanded Programme on Immunization, under which 85% of the world's children are vaccinated and protected from debilitating diseases.

With the potential of a COVID-19 vaccine ahead, ensuring sufficient supplies and reaching people in hard to reach places is a high priority. Addressing vaccine hesitancy poses a significant challenge to stop the virus. Access to accurate public health information and education is critical to ensure that the public has the facts to keep themselves and others safe.

To permanently commemorate the eradication of smallpox and the lessons learned on a global scale, rather than every 10-years, WHO is calling museums, exhibition companies, designers, curators and associations to develop an immersive, interactive and educational exhibition on smallpox and its relevance for COVID-19 and global health security. The exhibition, which will be unveiled later this year, will promote a better understanding of public health and empower people to keep informed and safe during a pandemic.

.....
.....

COVID-19 – UN Appeal

[UN issues US\\$6.7 billion appeal to protect millions of lives and stem the spread of coronavirus in fragile countries](#)

07 May 2020

The UN's Humanitarian Chief, Mark Lowcock, has **called for swift and determined action to avoid the most destabilizing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic** as he releases a US\$6.7 billion appeal and an updated global plan to fight coronavirus in fragile countries.

COVID-19 has now reached every country, with nearly 3,596,000 confirmed cases and over 247,650 deaths worldwide. **The peak of the disease in the world's poorest countries is not expected until some point over the next three to six months. However, there is already evidence of incomes plummeting and jobs disappearing, food supplies falling and prices soaring, and children missing vaccinations and meals.**

The humanitarian system is taking action to avert a sharp rise in conflict, hunger, poverty and disease as a result of the pandemic and the associated global recession. Today's updated Global Humanitarian Response Plan has been expanded in response. It includes nine additional vulnerable countries: Benin, Djibouti, Liberia, Mozambique, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Togo and Zimbabwe, and programmes to respond to the growth in food insecurity.

Today's new appeal and updated humanitarian response plan were released at a virtual event hosted by Mark Lowcock, alongside the Executive Director of WHO Health Emergencies, Mike Ryan; the President and CEO of Oxfam America, Abby Maxman; the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi; and the Executive Director of WFP, David Beasley. The plan was first launched by the UN Secretary-General in March.

UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs Mark Lowcock said: "The COVID-19 pandemic is hurting us all. But the most devastating and destabilizing effects will be felt in the world's poorest countries. In the poorest countries we can already see economies contracting as export earnings, remittances and tourism disappear. Unless we take action now, we should be prepared for a significant rise in conflict, hunger and poverty. The spectre of multiple famines looms.

"If we do not support the poorest people – especially women and girls and other vulnerable groups – as they battle the pandemic and impacts of the global recession, we will all be dealing with the spillover effects for many years to come. That would prove even more painful, and much more expensive, for everyone.

"This pandemic is unlike anything we have dealt with in our lifetime. Business as usual will not do. Extraordinary measures are needed. As we come together to combat this virus, I urge donors to act in both solidarity and in self-interest and make their response proportionate to the scale of the problem we face."

The COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan is the international community's primary fundraising vehicle to respond to the humanitarian impacts of the virus in low- and middle- income countries and support their efforts to fight it. The plan brings together appeals from WHO and other UN humanitarian agencies. Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and NGO consortiums have been instrumental in helping shape the plan. They are key partners in delivering it and can access funding through it.

The plan provides help and protection that prioritize the most vulnerable. This includes older people, people with disabilities, and women and girls, given pandemics heighten existing levels of discrimination, inequality and gender-based violence. The plan includes programmes that respond to the growth in food insecurity.

Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of WHO, said: "The caseload in most countries in the Global Humanitarian Response Plan may seem small, but we know that the surveillance, laboratory testing and health systems' capacity in these countries are weak. It is therefore likely that there is undetected community transmission happening. At the same time, confinement and other measures are having a major impact on essential health services. It's extremely important to maintain these services, from vaccination to sexual and reproductive health, WASH and mental health."

...Since the plan was first launched on 25 March, US\$1 billion in generous donor funding has been raised. This includes US\$166 million from OCHA's pooled funds to support efforts across 37 countries, with US\$95 million from the UN Central Emergency Response Fund and US\$71 million from 12 Country-based Pooled Funds.

This has enabled:

- :: The installation of handwashing facilities in vulnerable places like refugee camps; and the distribution of gloves, surgical masks, N95 respirators, gowns and goggles, and testing kits to help vulnerable countries respond to the pandemic.

- :: The creation of new transport hubs from which supplies can be transported by air.

- :: More than 1.7 million people around the world, including health workers, to be trained in virus identification and protection measures through WHO's online COVID-19 training portal.

Everything achieved so far has only been possible because of the generous funding from donors. It can only continue if additional funding is made available that is proportionate to the scale of the problem we face.

Analysis by the UN's Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs shows that the cost of protecting the most vulnerable 10 per cent of people in the world from the worst impacts is approximately US\$90 billion. This is equivalent to 1 per cent of the current global stimulus package put in place by OECD and G20 countries.

It calculates that two thirds of those costs could be met by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund if they are supported to change the terms on which they help the most vulnerable countries. The remainder will need to come from increased official development assistance over the next 12 months.

.....
.....

Prison Conditions: The Americas

COVID-19: Americas / prison conditions

UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

Rupert Colville, Spokesperson

Geneva, 5 May 2020

[Editor's text bolding]

Conditions in many prisons in the Americas region are deeply worrying. Pre-existing structural problems, such as chronic overcrowding and unhygienic conditions, coupled with the lack of proper access to healthcare have enabled the rapid spread of COVID-19 in many facilities.

Thousands of inmates and prison officials have already been infected across North and South America. In many countries, the increasing fear of contagion and lack of basic services -- such as the regular provision of food due to the prohibition of family visits -- have triggered protests and riots.

Some of these incidents in detention centres have turned extremely violent. The latest happened on 1 May, in Los Llanos penitentiary in Venezuela, where a revolt by prisoners reportedly resulted in 47 inmates losing their lives. Four days earlier, on 27 April, a riot broke out in the Miguel Castro Castro prison in Peru leaving nine inmates dead. On 21 March, 23 inmates died after security forces intervened to suppress rioting in La Modelo prison in Colombia. Other incidents, including attempts to escape, have been registered in detention centres in Argentina, Brazil and Colombia, Mexico and the U.S.

The scale and gravity of the incidents mentioned above seem to indicate that in some cases states have not taken appropriate measures to prevent violence in detention facilities, and that state agents may have committed use of force violations in attempts to re-gain control of these facilities. We remind authorities that the use of force must strictly comply with the principles of legality, necessity, proportionality and non-discrimination, and that States have the duty to protect inmates' physical and mental health and well-being, as set out in the [UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners](#) (also known as the [Nelson Mandela Rules](#)).

We call on States to conduct thorough, prompt, independent and impartial investigations into the circumstances of the deaths and injuries during riots, including any allegation of use of force violations by state agents.

We have also seen with concern how some States have routinely detained people for allegedly violating mandatory quarantines, thereby increasing the risk of infection.

In El Salvador, extremely harsh security measures were recently imposed in prisons, which could amount to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, and could also exacerbate the already precarious hygiene conditions.

We call on States to take appropriate measures to prevent further spread of the virus by ensuring sanitary conditions, widespread access to testing and access to necessary healthcare for detainees, as well as personal protective equipment and testing for prison personnel. Authorities should guarantee a minimum level of personal contacts with family members and proper access to food and drinkable water, as well as providing regular and transparent information about the impact of the disease on prisoners and staff. Conditions in detention centres and prisons, and the treatment of detainees should be regularly monitored by independent bodies, and prisoners who fall ill should be placed in non-punitive isolation or quarantine in facilities where they can receive appropriate medical care.

We welcome measures taken by some States to release those most vulnerable to COVID-19, including people with underlying medical conditions, pregnant women, older people, people living with HIV, as well as people with disabilities. However, broader measures are needed to reduce the extreme levels of overcrowding by releasing other categories of prisoners serving short sentences for non-violent crimes, as well as children held in detention and people detained for immigration offences.

In doing so, it is essential that States ensure that those measures do not contribute to impunity for violent crimes. People convicted of crimes recognised under international law after a fair and public trial by an independent and impartial tribunal should be considered for temporary release from custody only under exceptional circumstances.

In the context of the pandemic, it is urgent to reduce the use of pre-trial detention – a measure that should always be exceptional, but has been chronically over-used in the Americas. [The Inter-Agency Standing Committee](#) Interim Guidance on COVID-19 and persons deprived of their liberty offers practical suggestions to States wishing to implement measures to reduce overcrowding in places of detention.

People detained arbitrarily, without sufficient legal basis, or for crimes that are incompatible with international law, as well as all those incarcerated for exercising their human rights, including expression of dissenting opinions, should also be released.

Authorities should ensure that people who have been released receive proper health care.

.....
.....

EMERGENCIES

Coronavirus [COVID-19]

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Editor's Note:

We certainly recognize the velocity of global developments in the COVID-19 pandemic. While we have concentrated the most current key reports just below, COVID-19 announcements, analysis and commentary will be found throughout this issue, in all sections.

Beyond the considerable continuing coverage in the global general media, the WHO's authoritative guidance is available here:

:: Daily WHO situation reports here: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>

:: WHO Coronavirus disease (COVID-2019) daily press briefings here:

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/media-resources/press-briefings>

Situation report - 109 [WHO]

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

8 May 2020

[Excerpts]

Situation in numbers (by WHO Region)

Total (new cases in last 24 hours)

Globally	3 759 967 cases (87 729)	259 474 deaths (5429)
Africa	37 717 cases (2247)	1275 deaths (47)
Americas	1 586 129 cases (43 300)	87 930 deaths (3126)
Eastern Mediterranean	237 323 cases (8125)	8608 deaths (143)
Europe	1 654 345 cases (28 308)	152 179 deaths (1941)
South-East Asia	86 294 cases (4486)	3075 deaths (139)
Western Pacific	157 447 cases (1263)	6394 deaths (33)

HIGHLIGHTS

:: WHO launched a checklist to support prison administrators and policy-makers for rapid and effective response to COVID-19.

:: WHO is supporting several African countries to coordinate and reinforce the work of emergency medical teams (EMTs) deployed to support the efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic.

:: The WHO Regional Director for Europe, Dr. Hans Henri P. Kluge stated his concern about the increase in interpersonal violence during COVID-19, and emphasized that "violence is preventable, not inevitable"

.....

Emergencies

Ebola – DRC+

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Ebola Outbreak in DRC 91: 05 May 2020

[Excerpts]

Situation Update

[Website link broken at inquiry – 404 message]

.....

.....

Emergencies

POLIO

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)

Polio this week as of 06 May 2020

:: The GPEI released a special edition of PolioNews which contains the latest on nOPV2 development, the upcoming World Health Assembly in the context of COVID-19, and other updates on the programme. Take a look at the publication.

:: A new training to help build knowledge on the standard operating procedures for effective polio outbreak response has been launched. With topics like risk assessment and surveillance, the Polio Outbreak Response training is available for free and the content is aligned with the most recent version of the Polio Outbreak SOPs (v3.1).

Summary of new viruses this week (AFP cases and ES positives):

:: **Afghanistan:** six WPV1 cases, two cVDPV2 cases and four cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Pakistan:** two WPV1 cases, 18 WPV1 positive environmental samples and two cVDPV2 cases

:: **Malaysia:** One cVDPV2 positive environmental sample

:: **Chad:** One cVDPV2 case and two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Cote d'Ivoire:** Four cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Niger:** One cVDPV2 case

:: **Nigeria:** Three cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

.....

WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 9 May 2020]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

:: Ebola Outbreak in DRC 91: 05 May 2020

[Website link broken at inquiry – 404 message]

Yemen

:: Statement by WHO's Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean on COVID-19 in Yemen
2 May 2020

Nigeria - *No new digest announcements identified*

Somalia - *No new digest announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*

.....

WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 9 May 2020]

Angola - *No new digest announcements identified*

Afghanistan - *No new digest announcements identified*

Burkina Faso [in French] - *No new digest announcements identified*

Burundi - *No new digest announcements identified*

Cameroon - *No new digest announcements identified*

Central African Republic - *No new digest announcements identified*

Ethiopia - *No new digest announcements identified*
Iran - *No new digest announcements identified*
Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified*
Libya - *No new digest announcements identified*
Malawi - *No new digest announcements identified*
Measles in Europe - *No new digest announcements identified*
MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified*
Myanmar - *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*

.....

WHO Grade 1 Emergencies [to 9 May 2020]

Chad - *No new digest announcements identified*
Djibouti - *No new digest announcements identified*
Kenya - *No new digest announcements identified*
Mali - *No new digest announcements identified*
Namibia - viral hepatitis - *No new digest announcements identified*
Tanzania - *No new digest announcements identified*

.....

.....

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

:: Syrian Arab Republic: COVID-19 Response Update No.02 (As of 6 May 2020)

:: Syrian Arab Republic: Recent Developments in Northwest Syria - Flash Update - As of 08 May 2020

Yemen

:: 06 May 2020 Yemen Humanitarian Update Issue 4 (April 2020)

HIGHLIGHTS

- . Aid agencies ramp up efforts to contain COVID-19, as UN warns of possible surge in cases
- . Humanitarians respond to widespread devastation caused by torrential rains and flooding
- . Over 5 million children face the threat of cholera
- . Civilian casualties increase from 467 to 506 in the first quarter of 2020
- . Attacks on medical facilities increase while medical needs will soar if COVID-19 spreads
- . Partners scale up aid and COVID-19 preparedness to over a million people in displacement sites

.....

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 and Kenneth

:: 07 May 2020 Zimbabwe Situation Report, 7 May 2020

:: EBOLA OUTBREAK IN THE DRC - *No new digest announcements identified*

* * * *

:: 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 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements

8 May 2020

SG/SM/20077

Secretary-General Honours Sacrifices of Second World War, Spotlights Strides against Hatred, Marking Annual Time of Remembrance

8 May 2020

SG/SM/20076

Secretary-General Denounces 'Tsunami' of Xenophobia Unleashed amid COVID-19, Calling for All-Out Effort against Hate Speech

6 May 2020

SG/SM/20074

Pandemic Reveals How Excluded Are Society's Most Marginalized, Secretary-General Says, Launching Policy Brief on Persons with Disabilities and COVID-19

4 May 2020

SG/SM/20072

Non-Aligned Movement Has Critical Role to Play in Galvanizing Global Solidarity to Fight COVID-19 Pandemic, Secretary-General Tells Online Summit

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 9 May 2020]

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

Top News

Press briefing note on Syria

[Press briefing note on Migrant rescues in the Mediterranean](#)

[Press briefing note on Americas / Prison conditions](#)

[Human Rights: A Media Guide to the new UN independent experts \(2020\)](#)

[Kyrgyzstan must uphold its human rights obligations and release human rights defender Azimjan Askarov, says UN expert](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 9 May 2020]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR_COUNCIL
Council News

No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 9 May 2020]

<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 9 May 2020]

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

[Human Rights: A Media Guide to the new UN independent experts \(2020\)](#)

8 May 2020

[COVID-19: Urgent need for child protection services to mitigate the risk of child sexual abuse and exploitation worldwide](#)

6 May 2020

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 9 May 2020]

<https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/virtual-library/press-release-archive/>
Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx>

Latest News

Venezuela must offer concrete steps to end humanitarian crisis, say UN experts

6 May 2020

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>

Latest news

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UN OCHA [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases

09 May 2020

Spike in attacks against humanitarian organisations in Ndélé town

08 May 2020

UN and partners in Lebanon launch an Emergency Appeal requesting for US\$350 million to respond to the immediate impact of COVID-19 [EN/AR]

06 May 2020

The Humanitarian Coordinator allocates US\$ 12 million from the Central African Republic Humanitarian Fund to support multisectoral emergency response

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 9 May 2020]

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

Blog April 16, 2020

Survey Results on Priorities for Data Responsibility in Humanitarian Action

In March 2020, the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Sub-Group on Data Responsibility conducted an online survey to better understand priority areas for guidance on the safe, ethical, and effective management of data in humanitarian action. The survey was conducted to inform joint, system-wide operational guidance on data responsibility which will be published later this year.

UNICEF [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press release

UNICEF welcomes release of 85 children from detention in South Sudan

07/05/2020

Press release

Pregnant mothers and babies born during COVID-19 pandemic threatened by strained health systems and disruptions in services

With 116 million expected births in the approximately 9 months since the COVID pandemic was recognized, UNICEF calls on governments and donors to maintain lifesaving services for pregnant women and newborns

07/05/2020

Press release

UNICEF provides immediate assistance to children hit by floods in the Democratic Republic of the Congo's South Kivu, warns of increased risk of cholera outbreak

05/05/2020

Press release

19 million children internally displaced by conflict and violence in 2019, highest number ever

Internally displaced children among the world's most vulnerable to COVID-19

04/05/2020

Press release

Schools remain locked for more than 127 million children in Eastern and Southern Africa

Innovative approaches taken for continued learning, but safe re-opening of schools remains key

04/05/2020

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

Surging violence uproots thousands of people in eastern Congo

08 May 2020

Conflict and heavy floods force tens of thousands of people to flee their homes in Somalia, amidst COVID-19 threat

08 May 2020

UN issues US\$6.7 billion appeal to protect millions of lives and stem the spread of coronavirus in fragile countries

07 May 2020

[See Week in Review above for detail]

Joint statement by UNHCR, IOM and UNODC on protection at sea in the Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea

06 May 2020

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

UN Secretary-General's Global Appeal to Address and Counter COVID-19 Related Hate Speech

2020-05-08 13:33

New York – COVID-19 does not care who we are, where we live, what we believe or about any other distinction. We need every ounce of solidarity to tackle it together. Yet the pandemic continues to unleash a tsunami of hate and xenophobia, scapegoating and scare-mongering.

IOM Issues Communication Guidance to Stem Rising Anti-Migrant Sentiment in Wake of Covid-19

2020-05-05 12:45

Geneva – During the Covid-19 pandemic, misinformation and hate speech are spreading with devastating consequences for migrants, refugees and other vulnerable groups.

UNAIDS [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

8 May 2020

Combatting COVID-19 discrimination in Jamaica

7 May 2020

United Nations in South Africa launches US\$ 136 million COVID-19 flash appeal

6 May 2020

Mitigating the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic among people living with HIV in India

4 May 2020

HIV-related discrimination still widespread

Unitaid [to 9 May 2020]

<https://unitaid.org/>

Featured News

04 May 2020

Unitaid joins global cooperation COVID-19 efforts as international pledging marathon is launched

The European Union and its partner governments launched the [international pledging marathon](#) to raise US\$ 8 billion to kick-start global cooperation to develop quality, effective and affordable diagnostics, treatments and vaccines against COVID-19. A key part of this is ensure equitable access by all who need them.

The European Union was joined by political leaders from France, Germany, Japan, Norway, Canada, Italy, Spain, UK and Saudi Arabia; as well as the Republic of Korea, South Africa and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation who are members of the Unitaid Executive Board...

WHO & Regional Offices [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.who.int/>

Commemorating Smallpox Eradication – a legacy of hope, for COVID-19 and other diseases

8 May 2020 *News release*

[See Week in Review above for detail]

.....

Weekly Epidemiological Record, 8 May 2020, vol. 95, 19 (pp. 185–208)

COVID-19 strategy update (as of 14 April 2020)

.....

WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: New WHO estimates: Up to 190 000 people could die of COVID-19 in Africa if not controlled

07 May 2020

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: PAHO Director calls for protection of health workers in face of the advancing COVID19 pandemic in the region of the Americas (04/07/2020)

:: Amid COVID-19 pandemic, new WHO report urges greater investments in the nursing workforce (04/07/2020)

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: Promote hand hygiene to save lives and combat COVID-19 4 May 2020 *Statement*

WHO European Region EURO

:: During COVID-19 pandemic, violence remains preventable, not inevitable 07-05-2020

:: WHO launches checklist to support prison administrators and policy-makers for rapid and effective response to COVID-19 07-05-2020

:: Turkish celebrities join UN and WHO to help convey key COVID-19 messages 07-05-2020

:: Two decades tackling global health emergencies together: WHO partner GOARN turns 20 05-05-2020

:: Iliana Colonna: enabling positive birth experiences in the time of COVID-19 05-05-2020

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: World Hand Hygiene Day: Nurses and midwives, clean care is in your hands!

5 May 2020 – World Hand Hygiene Day will be celebrated on 5 May 2020. This year's campaign theme, "SAVE LIVES: Clean your hands", aligns with the International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife. The campaign aims to recognize nurses and midwives as front-line heroes who deserve acknowledgement, appreciation and protection, and to highlight their critical role in infection...

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2020/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

6 May 2020

Press Release

[Urgent funding needed to protect health and safety of women and girls in Yemen amidst COVID-19](#)

More than 48,000 women could die from complications of pregnancy and childbirth in Yemen, the world's worst humanitarian crisis, due to severe funding shortages and the possible closure of reproductive health...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 9 May 2020]

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

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

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

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 9 May 2020]

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

Updates

8 May 2020

Member States Join Virtual Dialogue on Sharing Experiences and Strategies for COVID-19 Response, Transition, and Resilience

Over 30 European and Central Asia member states joined a successful virtual dialogue Wednesday 6 May on "Sharing Experiences and Strategies for COVID-19 Response, Transition, and Resilience"

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

Coronavirus and human rights: New UN report calls for disability-inclusive recovery

6 May 2020, New York

The COVID-19 pandemic is intensifying inequalities experienced by the world's one billion people with disabilities, UN Secretary-General António Guterres said in launching a report issued on Wednesday that calls for a disability-inclusive recovery and response to the crisis.

Even under normal circumstances, people with disabilities are less likely to access education, healthcare and income opportunities, or to participate in their communities, according to Mr. Guterres. They are also more likely to live in poverty, and to suffer higher rates of violence, neglect and abuse. "The pandemic is intensifying these inequalities — and producing new threats," he revealed...

Severe downturns in labour-intensive sectors spell trouble for global inequality

4 May 2020, New York

The global economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic is shaping up to be the worst since the tragically consequential Great Depression. Countless comparisons have been made between the current economic situation and the global financial crisis of 2008. Although similar in terms of their impact, especially on employment and income, key differences make the current crisis particularly dangerous.

The global financial crisis began in 2008 with the bursting of the housing bubble in the United States accompanied by the subprime mortgage meltdown. The collapse of major banking institutions followed, along with a precipitous fall on stock markets across the world and a credit freeze. Bankruptcies increased, credit dried up and unemployment skyrocketed. This was the beginning of the Great Recession.

This time, soaring unemployment came first as many businesses were forced to shutter because of nationwide lockdowns in most developed economies. Rising unemployment and shrinking revenues are choking the demand for products and services, which will inevitably lead to sharp increases in bankruptcies and even more lay-offs...

UNESCO [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

[Ethical framework for COVID-19 response in the Arab region: views and recommendations from the experts](#)

5/6/2020

...As stated by the UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (IBC) and the UNESCO World Commission on the Ethics of Scientific Knowledge and Technology (COMEST), "a bioethics and ethics of science and technology perspective, rooted in human rights, should play a key role in the context of this challenging pandemic".^[1] In this context, UNESCO considers it is vital to provide solid grounds for collective reflections on some of the following ethical and social dimensions, pertaining both to the medical treatment, and to the prevention and containment policies put in place by various states...

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 9 May 2020]

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

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 9 May 2020]

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

07/05/2020 –

[COVID-19 is changing the route of illicit drug flows, says UNODC report](#)

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 9 May 2020]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

News and Stories

Press Release –

[Innovation, Proximity and Solidarity: Local Economic Development as Immediate Response](#)

Friday, 8 May 2020

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

Blog

[COVID-19 shows why we need multilateralism more than ever](#)

08 May 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic has re-emphasized the importance of a multilateral approach to sustainable development and has confirmed the reality of the interconnectedness of different national economies.

COVID-19: Protecting workers in the workplace

Contagion or starvation, the dilemma facing informal workers during the COVID-19 pandemic

07 May 2020

Lockdown measures will worsen poverty and vulnerabilities among the world's two billion informal economy workers, says the International Labour Organization.

COVID-19: Supporting enterprises, jobs and incomes

Helping the "double casualties" of COVID-19

04 May 2020

The spread of COVID-19 in fragile states riven by conflict and political insecurity, is turning millions of vulnerable people into double casualties of the pandemic.

Trade Union Movement

COVID-19 and Workers' Organizations: Interview with Sharan Burrow

04 May 2020

What should be the key policy measures to relaunch the Global economy affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic? Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) shares her views on the needs and expectations from the trade union movement on how to address the COVID-19 crisis and beyond. Ms Burrow calls also for more solidarity and the need to strengthen Multilateralism...

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

ICAO issues new guidance on COVID-19 aviation safety risks

6/5/20

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest Press Briefings

IMO endorses new protocols designed to lift barriers to crew changes

07/05/2020

IMO Secretary-General Kitack Lim endorses a series of protocols designed to address crew change issues during pandemic.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Release

COVID-19 impacts observing system

Publish Date: 7 May 2020

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) is concerned about the increasing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the quantity and quality of weather observations and forecasts, as well as atmospheric and climate monitoring.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 9 May 2020]

http://news.upu.int/no_cache/news/

News

[Solution Spotlight: UPU secures its cloud solutions](#)

04.05.2020 - The Postal Technology Centre's (PTC) cloud environment is more secure than ever, having recently achieved certification under an internationally recognized standard.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

[The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on e-commerce and its interplay with cybersecurity and privacy in the digital space](#)

VIENNA, 4 May, 2020

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 9 May 2020]

https://www.iso.org/news_archive/x/

News

8 May 2020

[COVID-19: National resources](#)

This page is dedicated to featuring national resources developed by ISO members to support the fight against COVID-19.

By Barnaby Lewis on 7 May 2020

[Sanitation innovation animation](#)

ISO's member for the USA, ANSI, recently created a video that points out the importance of toilets and proper sanitation. It couldn't have come at a better time.

By Barnaby Lewis on 4 May 2020

[Safe, secure and private, whatever your business](#)

ISO/IEC 27009, just updated, will enable businesses and organizations from all sectors to coherently address information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

All Regions COVID-19

[The Future Is Now! UNWTO Recognizes World's Best Innovators Facing Up To COVID-19](#)

07 May 2020

All Regions COVID-19

[International Tourist Numbers Could Fall 60-80% in 2020, UNWTO Reports](#)

07 May 2020

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

Daren Tang of Singapore Appointed as WIPO Director General

The member states of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on May 8, 2020, appointed by consensus Mr. Daren Tang as the Organization's next Director General, with Mr. Tang's six-year term beginning on October 1, 2020.

May 8, 2020 PR/2020/854

WIPO Launches Tool to Track IP Policy Information in Member States during COVID-19 Pandemic

WIPO today launched a new tool that tracks COVID-19 related intellectual property (IP) policy changes or other measures being implemented by WIPO member states in their response to the global pandemic. This is the latest in a series of measures taken by the Organization in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.

May 5, 2020 PR/2020/853

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.cbd.int/>

Announcements

08.05.2020 Up to €1 million for Joint Proposals on Food and Nutrition Security

.....

USAID [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements

The United States Is Providing Immediate Humanitarian Assistance in Response to the Partial Dam Collapse in the Republic of Uzbekistan

May 8, 2020

The United States, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), is providing immediate assistance to support efforts in the Republic of Uzbekistan to respond to the partial collapse of the Sardoba Reservoir Dam.

Investments in Global Health Security by the U.S. Agency for International Development

May 7, 2020

Fact Sheet

For half a century, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has been on the front lines of protecting the U.S. homeland by improving global health security. Thanks to the generosity of the American people, the United States contributed more than \$140 billion in global health assistance in the 21st Century alone, including more than \$1 billion to strengthen national capacity in partner countries to prevent, detect, and respond to existing and emerging-infectious disease threats.

United States Announces Additional Humanitarian Aid for the People of Yemen

May 6, 2020

Today, Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo announced nearly \$225 million in additional emergency aid to the people of Yemen, who continue to face the world's largest humanitarian crisis. This funding brings the total humanitarian assistance provided by the U.S. Government in Yemen since Fiscal Year 2019 to more than \$1.1 billion.

Statement by Secretary Michael R. Pompeo

May 6, 2020

Additional U.S. Foreign Assistance Builds Upon U.S. Leadership in the Global COVID-19 Response

As we work together to defeat the coronavirus at home, the United States stands with our global partners in their time of need, as we always have. A healthier world means a healthier United States.

DFID [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

International COVID Response Oral Statement

Secretary of State Rt.

Updated: 6 May 2020

PM: 'It's humanity against the virus'

Prime Minister Boris Johnson will co-host the virtual Coronavirus Global Response International Pledging Conference.

Updated: 4 May 2020

ECHO [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

Coronavirus Global Response: EU sets up a Humanitarian Air Bridge

08/05/2020

The European Commission has set up an EU Humanitarian Air Bridge to transport humanitarian workers and emergency supplies for the coronavirus response to some of most critical areas around the world. Janez Lenarčič, Commissioner for Crisis...

.....

African Union [to 9 May 2020]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of Social Press releases

A multilateral response to eliminate all forms of violence against women & girls

May 07, 2020

Declaration of Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Bureau of the STC-ICT

May 05, 2020

AU Joins forces with HP INC to Expand Digital Learning Opportunities for Youth

May 04, 2020

COVID19: African Union in Discussions with Madagascar over herbal remedy

May 04, 2020

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 9 May 2020]

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

Secretariat News

No new digest content identified.

European Commission [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest

Press release 8 May 2020

Coronavirus Global Response: EU sets up a Humanitarian Air Bridge

The European Commission has set up an EU Humanitarian Air Bridge to transport humanitarian workers and emergency supplies for the coronavirus response to some of most critical areas around the world.

News 5 May 2020

Von der Leyen on Coronavirus Global Response: World stands united against coronavirus and will win

In an unprecedented global effort to fight the coronavirus, countries and organisations from across the world on 4 May raised EUR 7.4 billion for vaccines, diagnostics and treatments, almost reaching the initial target of EUR 7.5 billion.

Press release 4 May 2020

Coronavirus Global Response: €7.4 billion raised for universal access to vaccines

Today, the Commission registered €7.4 billion, equivalent to \$8 billion, in pledges from donors worldwide during the Coronavirus Global Response pledging event.

OECD [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

OAS General Secretariat Presents Report on the Situation of Venezuelan Migrants and Refugees in Bolivia

May 8, 2020

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.oic-oci.org/>

Selected Press Releases

OIC Orphan's Day: Al-Othaimeen Calls for Giving Orphans the Care they Deserve

Every year, the Muslim world celebrates the Orphan's Day on Ramadan 15th. However, the outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic this year in various parts of the world would cast a shadow on this year's celebrations due to the strict precautionary measures taken by world countries to preserve the health and safety of their citizens. This necessitates a different approach to secure comprehensive care for orphans and buttress our efforts to protect and provide for them, especially in conflict and war-torn areas where their number is on the rise. In this context, the Secretary-General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Dr. Yousef A. Al-Othaimeen, has called on all Member States, charitable and humanitarian organizations, and civil society institutions to accord the orphans the care and attention they deserve....

07/05/2020

Group of 77 [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches

[Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ambassador Neil Pierre, Permanent Mission of Guyana to the United Nations, at the informal dialogue on the revitalization of the work of the Second Committee of the UN General Assembly \(New York, 7 May 2020\)](#)

[Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by Ambassador Neil Pierre, Permanent Mission of Guyana to the UN, at the informal consultation on the draft structure of the Ministerial Declaration of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of ECOSOC \(New York, 4 May 2020\)](#)

.....

UNCTAD [to 9 May 2020]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

06 May 2020

101 people arrested and 19,000 artefacts recovered in international crackdown on cultural goods trafficking

[See Week in Review above for detail]

04 May 2020

WCO Secretariat receives access to INTERPOL's iARMS database to search and trace seized firearms

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 9 May 2020]

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

WTO News and Events

DDG Wolff: COVID-19 crisis underlines need for more multilateralism, not less

7 May 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic crisis has underlined the need for greater multilateral cooperation, including the need to improve the global trading system, Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff said on 7 May. Speaking at a webinar hosted by the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, DDG Wolff said trade will play an important role in Africa's economic recovery from the crisis, particularly through increased intra-African trade.

WTO report looks at role of e-commerce during the COVID-19 pandemic

4 May 2020

The WTO Secretariat has published a new information note looking at how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected e-commerce, including the implications for cross-border trade. It notes the increased use of e-commerce as consumers adapt to lockdowns and social distancing measures and draws attention to several challenges, such as the need to bridge the digital divide within and across countries.

.....

IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 9 May 2020]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

Statement to the United Nations Security Council on the Situation in Libya, pursuant to UNSCR 1970 (2011)

Statement 4 May 2020 Office of the Prosecutor

.....

World Bank [to 9 May 2020]

<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]

The COVID-19 Pandemic: Shocks to Education and Policy Responses

The COVID-19 pandemic threatens education progress worldwide through two major shocks: 1.
The near-universal closing of schools at all levels and ...
Date: May 07, 2020 Type: Publication

Governance & Institutions COVID-19 Response Resources

The World Bank Group is taking broad, fast action to help developing countries strengthen their pandemic response, increase disease surveillance, improve public health interventions, and help the private...

Date: May 07, 2020 Type: Brief

Food Security and COVID-19

Alarmed by a potential rise in food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, many countries and organizations are mounting special efforts to keep agriculture safely running as an essential business, markets...

Date: May 04, 2020 Type: Brief

IMF [to 9 May 2020]

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

News, Announcements

No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank Group [to 9 May 2020]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of No new digest content identified.]

African leaders laud African Development Bank President for visionary leadership amid COVID crisis

05-May-2020 - South Africa's President and African Union chairperson Cyril Ramaphosa and the Nobel peace laureate and former Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf have commended Akinwumi Adesina, President of the African Development Bank, for his visionary leadership and bold initiatives to accelerate Africa's development and to support the continent through the COVID-19 crisis.

Asian Development Bank [to 9 May 2020]

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

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-•
8 May 2020

ADB Releases Annual Report of Development Effectiveness

ADB has released the 13th annual performance report of its corporate results framework, the Development Effectiveness Review, a management tool that monitors performance and progress during 2019.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 9 May 2020]

<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, May 08, 2020

AIIB Approves USD500M to Support India's Response to COVID-19

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank's (AIIB) Board of Directors has approved a loan of USD500 million to support India's efforts to prevent, detect and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19 by strengthening the preparedness of the country's national health system.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Development Bank [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

*

*

*

*

:: 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 9 May 2020]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 9 May 2020]

<https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/>

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 9 May 2020]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

COVID-19 Lock Down at Aravind

Special Edition, April 2020

BRAC [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest

May 09, 2020

COVID-19: Update from Asif Saleh (8 May 2020)

May 07, 2020

Ensuring productivity from home during a pandemic: What we are learning at BRAC

May 07, 2020

Learning in a pandemic: 4 tips for parents and caregivers with young children at home

Clubhouse International [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 9 May 2020]

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

NEWS

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 9 May 2020]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 9 May 2020]

<https://hi.org/en/index>

All news

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

Rwanda: The Red Cross Movement scales up to prevent spread of COVID-19 in communities

The Red Cross Movement is scaling up its efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in communities in Rwanda.

07-05-2020 | News release

IFRC [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

Italy

World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day: IFRC President visits Italy's first "red zone" to thank COVID-19 response volunteers

Geneva/Rome, 7 May 2020 – This Friday, 8 May, on World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day, Francesco Rocca, President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), will visit Italy's first COVID-19 "red zone" in Codogno (L ...

7 May 2020

Global

IFRC and Billion Dollar Boy set up global influencer network to tackle COVID-19 infodemic

Geneva, London and New York, 5 May 2020: Billion Dollar Boy, the creative agency for the influencer age, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) are creating the world's first global influencer network to tackle ...

6 May 2020

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 9 May 2020]

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

Media highlights

Press Release

Statement by David Miliband as UN launches additional \$7 billion COVID appeal: Global action needed now

May 7, 2020

Press Release

New Data Shows a Decrease in Women Being Able to Report Incidents of Domestic Violence in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Countries

May 7, 2020

Press Release

International Rescue Committee announces \$1 million contribution from Novartis in support of COVID-19 response in East Africa

May 7, 2020

Press Release

Somalia faces another desperate situation as COVID-19 cases spiral, IRC calls for increased support to save lives

May 6, 2020

IRCT [to 9 May 2020]

<https://irct.org/>

News 06 May 2020

State of Belief interviews IRCT on new Conversion Therapy research

News 04 May 2020

IRCT Distributes Rapid Response Grants to Fight Covid-19

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

Without help, displaced people worldwide will face COVID-19 catastrophe

Published: 7 May, 2020

Landsea [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 9 May 2020]

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

News Releases & Alerts

May 06, 2020

Marginalized Small Business Owners Across the Pacific Northwest Struggle to Stay Afloat

Today, historically marginalized business owners including women, people of color, and immigrants across the Pacific...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

Responding to COVID-19 in conflict-affected eastern Ukraine

Project Update 8 May 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

Eswatini: Responding to COVID-19 in a country already fighting a dual HIV/TB epidemic

Interview 8 May 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

MSF provides critically-needed COVID-19 medical care in Tijuana

Project Update 7 May 2020

Malaysia

MSF ready to support the government of Malaysia with safe disembarkation of people in distress at sea

Open Letter 7 May 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

Five challenges for the Rohingya in Bangladesh amid COVID-19

Project Update 6 May 2020

Medical resource

MSF Medical Product Procurement

MSF medical resource 6 May 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

Managing people's fear and misinformation amid COVID-19 in DRC

Voices from the Field 6 May 2020

Measles

Measles is a steady, silent killer among COVID-19

Project Update 5 May 2020

Niger

Working with communities during a pandemic

Interview 5 May 2020

Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic

"Diseases will not wait" for COVID-19 in Kenya

Voices from the Field 5 May 2020

Greece

Using torture survival skills to cope during a pandemic

Voices from the Field 5 May 2020

Liberia

MSF supports efforts to treat COVID-19 in Liberia

Interview 4 May 2020

United States of America

MSF demands US ends deportations to stop COVID-19 spread to fragile health systems

Press Release 4 May 2020

Operation Smile [to 9 May 2020]

<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 9 May 2020]

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

Selected News/Announcements [Undated]

COVID-19: New cases confirmed near Sahrawi camps, 173,000 refugees at risk

8 May 2020

Over 170,000 people in the Sahrawi refugee camps are bracing for the Coronavirus as local authorities and organizations remain extremely underprepared for the pandemic due to dwindling funding, Oxfam said today.

Global Coronavirus Response – cast iron pledge needed that COVID vaccine will be made available to all free of charge

4 May 2020

Governments must give a cast iron pledge that coronavirus vaccines, treatments and diagnostics will be made available to every person on the planet free of charge and according to need, said Oxfam today, after more than \$8 billion was committed for research and development at a Global Coronavirus Response pledging marathon.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest news from NRC

Press release

Statement on the flooding in Somalia

08. May 2020

Country Director for the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) in Somalia Victor Moses said:

Press release

Reaction to UN's updated Covid-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan

07. May 2020

The UN's updated Covid-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan, which launched today, calls for US \$6.7 billion. Responding to the appeal, Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council, Jan Egeland said:

Press release

DR Congo shelters 1 in 10 of the world's internally displaced people

05. May 2020

Close to 1.7 million people fled violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in 2019, putting the country on top of the list of most newly internally displaced in Africa, and second globally after Syria.

Pact [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News

In Cambodia, as Covid-19 adds new burdens for young women entrepreneurs, Pact and USAID move support online

May 4, 2020

CAMBODIA

Partners In Health [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

May 09, 2020

UGHE Student Mothers Balancing Studies and Family, Amid COVID

For Mother's Day, three future global health leaders at the northern Rwanda university share stories of tough decisions, and perseverance, amid the pandemic.

May 07, 2020

New Mom Holding Baby Daughter Close After Early Birth in Liberia

As Liberians celebrate Mother's Day throughout May, on different dates according to different religious leaders and churches, one new mother in particular is thankful for her first child and newfound joy.

May 06, 2020

World Needs Public Health, Nursing to Lead Way in Global Pandemic

PIH CEO Dr. Sheila Davis comments on nursing during the COVID-19 pandemic and the lessons she learned from colleagues who've battled epidemics around the world--from Ebola and cholera, to HIV and multidrug-resistant tuberculosis.

May 05, 2020

Q&A: Combating Sierra Leone's Maternal Health Crisis Through COVID-19

Nurse Midwife Isata Dumbuya shares the latest about the intersection of a longstanding epidemic—maternal mortality—and the new pandemic of COVID-19, and the measures PIH is taking to fight even harder to protect women and infants in Sierra Leone.

PATH [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

May 5, 2020 by PATH

New partnership to accelerate research and advance a global health COVID-19 vaccine

Houston, Texas, USA and Seattle, Washington, USA, May 5, 2020 — The National School of Tropical Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital Center for Vaccine Development have formed a new partnership with PATH, a global nonprofit organization dedicated to improving public health. Together, these institutions will advance the development of a low-cost, safe, and effective vaccine to prevent COVID-19...

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

8 May 2020- Global

'Children at risk of lasting psychological distress from coronavirus lockdown': Save the Children

5 May 2020 - Yemen

'Worst fears confirmed as first COVID-19 case hits north of Yemen'

5 May 2020 - Sudan

Save the Children welcomes important landmark decision in Sudan to criminalise Feminine Genital Mutilation

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 9 May 2020]

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

All News

COVID-19

Personal appeal from President Siddhartha Kaul

May 7 2020 - The coronavirus pandemic has taken the world totally unprepared. What we can do - and SOS Children's Villages is doing that around the world in 136 countries and territories - is to ensure that our focus is on the safety of children and families, as we have done for over 70 years.

Indonesia

'This virus is spreading fast and affecting many people'

May 4 2020 - Andi Supriyanto, 24, who grew up in the SOS Children's Village in Jakarta, Indonesia, works as a nurse. Today, he is on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic in his country, treating patients at the Dharmais Cancer Hospital in Jakarta.

Tostan [to 9 May 2020]

<http://www.tostan.org>

News

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 9 May 2020]

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

May 7, 2020

7 Ways in Which Women in Conflict-Affected Countries Are Being Hit Hardest by COVID-19

World Vision [to 9 May 2020]

<http://wvi.org/>

Newsroom

May 5, 2020

World Vision warns that COVID-19 could reverse 30 years of poverty reduction progress as it launches largest response in its history

.....

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

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

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 9 May 2020]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

Latest Updates

United States: Congress Should Adopt New Bills on Human Rights during Pandemic opens in new tab

Press release

May 8, 2020

NEW REPORT: Nations in Transit 2020 finds weakened institutions in Europe and Eurasia as politicians flout democratic norms opens in new tab

Press release

May 6, 2020

Kazakhstan: Authorities Rush to Further Limit Peaceful Assembly opens in new tab

Press release

May 4, 2020

Human Rights Watch [to 9 May 2020]

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

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

Africa

May 8, 2020 Dispatches

[UN Security Council Should Renew South Sudan Arms Embargo](#)

Nyagoah Tut Pur

Researcher, Africa Division

Europe/Central Asia

May 8, 2020 Dispatches

[Hungary Rejects Opportunity to Protect Women from Violence](#)

Hillary Margolis

Senior Researcher, Women's Rights Division

Transparency International [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

4 May 2020

[Transparency International appoints new Interim Managing Director](#)

- The Board of Directors of Transparency International is pleased to announce the appointment of Daniel Eriksson, previously Head of Technology, as Interim Managing Director.

.....

ChildFund Alliance [to 9 May 2020]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

News/ Statements

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 9 May 2020]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

[Responding to COVID-19: Forging a path to an equitable future](#)

| May 8, 2020

As the new coronavirus rages across the globe, it should no longer be possible to ignore and maintain the structural inequalities. Tackling inequalities and building an inclusive and sustainable economy should be on top of the EU and Member States' priority list.

The Elders [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

Guest Blog

[The connection between people and nature](#)

08 May 2020

Howey Ou, a climate activist from China, says that just as the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the whole planet, so too does the climate crisis. Warning against inaction, she calls for a collective effort to achieve climate justice.

Climate Change

Guest Blog

[The climate crisis is already here: Why we must listen to voices in the Global South](#)

01 May 2020

Vanessa Nakate, a young climate activist from Uganda, outlines the devastating impact of climate change and warns that those on the frontlines must be engaged in finding solutions. She also highlights the challenge of climate activism in the Global South

News

[COVID-19 demands a collective, rights-based response](#)

04 May 2020

An uncontrolled contagion, no matter where in the world, and no matter how localised, is a threat to all of humanity. Elder and former President of Liberia, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf writes on the need for global cooperation to beat COVID-19.

Evidence Aid [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest Content

[PRESS RELEASE: Charity has collated nearly 200 coronavirus-related research papers to provide crucial knowledge for decision-makers](#)

Claire Allen May 4, 2020

Gavi [to 9 May 2020]

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

Top Stories

6 May 2020

[Italy pledges new support to Gavi](#)

6 May 2020

[Ireland pledges new support to Gavi](#)

5 May 2020

[Countries pledge new support to Gavi](#)

4 May 2020

[Norway increases commitment to immunisation for the most vulnerable, pledges USD 1 billion to Gavi](#)

Getty Conservation Institute [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.getty.edu/research/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 9 May 2020]

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

Funding Model

[COVID-19 Response Mechanism Questions and Answers](#)

05 May 2020

Updates

[Coronavirus Global Response International Pledging Event](#)

04 May 2020

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 9 May 2020]

<http://prizecoalition.charity.org/>

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 9 May 2020]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources, events, content

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 9 May 2020]

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

Crises & Countries in Conflict

[Four Essential Steps Toward Durable Solutions for IDPs](#)

Priscilla Yoon | May 8, 2020

.....

3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.3ieimpact.org/>

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 9 May 2020]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

.....

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 9 May 2020]

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

Event

[ALNAP Webinar: 14 actions for humanitarians responding to COVID-19](#)

Date; 12 May 2020

CERAH – Geneva Centre for Education and Research in Humanitarian Action [to 9 May 2020]

<https://cerahgeneve.ch/events/news/>

CERAH News

[ALNAP Webinar: 14 actions for humanitarians responding to COVID-19](#)

5.5.2020

How should humanitarian organisations prepare and respond to COVID-19 in humanitarian settings in low- and middle-income countries?

Join our webinar on Tuesday, 12 May, 14:00 - 15:00, GMT+1 – BST, to discuss the 14 actions proposed on the Alnap paper "Responding to COVID-19: Guidance for humanitarian agencies".

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 9 May 2020]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 9 May 2020]

<https://ihsa.info/>

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 9 May 2020]

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

News

Millions of children out of school because of coronavirus in the world's poorest countries may never go back, expert says

The Washington Post

7 May 2020

As countries around the world start to reopen their economies and consider how to safely reopen schools amid the coronavirus pandemic, international development experts say they are worried that tens of millions of students in the world's poorest nations may never go back to class.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 9 May 2020]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news

No new digest content identified.

Sphere [to 9 May 2020]

<https://spherestandards.org/news/>

News

Share your expertise digitally and shape future Sphere standards!

05 May 2020 | Sphere

Humanitarian practitioners anywhere in the world can now share their first-hand experience, add to the knowledge of the Sphere community and shape the next edition of the Sphere Handbook and standards. Sphere is launching...

Start Network [to 9 May 2020]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

.....

Brookings

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

Accessed 9 May 2020

Latest Research

Report

We can't recover from a coronavirus recession without helping young workers

Martha Ross and Nicole Bateman

Thursday, May 7, 2020

China

A modern tragedy? COVID-19 and US-China relations

Thomas J. Christensen

May 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Exposure on the job

Melissa S. Kearney and [Luke Pardue](#)
Thursday, May 7, 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Economics

[The labor market experiences of workers in alternative work arrangements](#)

[Ryan Nunn](#) and [Jimmy O'Donnell](#)

Thursday, May 7, 2020

Essay

[Women's work boosts middle class incomes but creates a family time squeeze that needs to be eased](#)

Thursday, May 7, 2020

Center for Global Development [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Publications, News and Events

May 8, 2020

[China in Africa](#)

On May 8, 2020, CGD senior fellow Scott Morris testified before the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission on China in Africa. Morris's testimony focused on China's lending to sub-Saharan African countries, how it affects the debt picture on the continent, and how the US government can respond.

[Scott Morris](#)

May 8, 2020

[Balancing the COVID-19 Response with Wider Health Needs: Key Decision-Making Considerations for Low- and Middle-Income Countries](#)

As the pandemic accelerates, governments must also protect other essential health services. Already, there have been numerous reports of disrupted access to services ranging from labor and delivery and immunization to HIV and tuberculosis care to dialysis and cancer treatment—most notably in countries with strict lockdowns. Initial estimates paint a grim picture of the potential magnitude of negative impacts on health outcomes due to these disruptions.

[Carleigh Krubiner](#) , [Janeen Madan Keller](#) and [Julia Kaufman](#)

May 7, 2020

[China's Overseas Lending: A Response to Our Critics](#)

Over the past two decades, China has become a major global lender, with outstanding debt claims from direct loans and trade advances alone exceeding 1.5 percent of world GDP. This surge in lending has financed many projects in infrastructure, mining, and energy. The problem is that there is little official data beyond those aggregate numbers, mainly because China has not released a breakdown of its lending activities.

[Sebastian Horn](#) , [Carmen M. Reinhart](#) and [Christoph Trebesch](#)

May 7, 2020

[Leave No One Behind: Using a Benefit-Based Advance Market Commitment to Incentivise Development and Global Supply of COVID-19 Vaccines](#)

The global effort to control the COVID-19 pandemic has seen an exceptional allocation of public and philanthropic funds to advance the development of diagnostics, therapeutics, and vaccines as quickly as possible. While critical, even these significant commitments represent only a “down payment” on a price tag that could eventually exceed \$50 billion just to scale the production of vaccines to control this global pandemic—amounts that cannot be raised through traditional donor and philanthropic commitments.

[Kalipso Chalkidou](#) , [Hannah Kettler](#) , [Ganesh Ramakrishnan](#) , [Rachel Silverman](#) and [Adrian Towse](#)

May 6, 2020

[Making the IMF's Special Drawing Rights Work for COVID-19 Economic Relief](#)

Many prominent people have advocated that the IMF undertake an “SDR allocation” to assist countries in dealing with the global financial crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. If IMF shareholders show some leadership and bureaucratic flexibility, there are ways to allay the American government’s concerns and quickly get liquidity in the hands of countries who desperately need it.

[Mark Plant](#)

May 5, 2020

[COVID-19 and Oxygen: Selecting Supply Options in LMICs that Balance Immediate Needs with Long-Term Cost-Effectiveness](#)

Much of the policy debate regarding COVID-19 medical equipment focuses on the question of which form of patient respiratory support is effective in low-resources settings. However, irrespective of the specific form of respiratory support used, the long-term and cost-effective functioning of all forms of oxygen therapy requires an appropriate system to supply oxygen to hospitals.

Lisa Smith , [Tim Baker](#) , Gabriel Demombynes and [Prashant Yadav](#)

CSIS [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Reports

Report

[Cross-border Aid, Covid-19, and U.S. Decisions in Syria](#)

May 8, 2020 | [Will Todman](#) The UN mandate for cross-border access to northwest Syria will expire in July. CSIS's Will Todman argues that this would be catastrophic for Syria and the broader international community and suggests how the United States can increase its leverage in the renewal debate.

Report

[How Xi Jinping's “New Era” Should Have Ended U.S. Debate on Beijing's Ambitions](#)

May 8, 2020 | [Daniel Tobin](#) What kind of global power does China want to be? Communist Party leader Xi Jinping's 2017 speech to the 19th Party Congress should have ended the debate about Beijing’s ambitions, argues Freeman Chair Senior Associate Daniel Tobin.

Report

[Covid-19 Demands Innovative Ideas for Financing the SDGs](#)

May 7, 2020 | [Daniel F. Runde](#) The Covid-19 pandemic exacerbates the challenges to achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and highlights the need for innovative and scalable tools, such as guarantees, green and infrastructure bonds, and advanced purchase agreements, to fill the financing gap.

Report

[Assessing the Industrial Base Implications of the Army's Future Vertical Lift Plans](#)

May 6, 2020 | [Rhys McCormick](#), [Andrew Philip Hunter](#) Future Vertical Lift, the Army's effort to develop a new generation of vertical lift systems, is one of its top modernization priorities. This report presents a detailed analysis of the industrial base implications of the Army's approach to vertical lift modernization.

Report

[America Challenges China's National Talent Programs](#)

May 5, 2020 China's Thousand Talents Plan, created in 2008 to overcome the brain drain of Chinese talent that has remained abroad, has generated deep concerns about IP theft. This paper analyzes the program and offers policy recommendations for China and the United States.

ODI [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Press Releases & Reports

[Moving forward on gender, livelihoods and financing: submission to UN High-Level Panel on internal displacement](#)

Briefing papers | May 2020 | Megan Daigle, Barnaby Willitts-King and Nicholas Crawford

This policy brief highlights three key focus areas for the UN High-Level Panel on internal displacement: gender, livelihoods and innovative financing.

[Risk-informed approaches to humanitarian funding: using risk finance tools to strengthen resilience](#)

Research reports and studies | May 2020 | Barnaby Willitts-King, Lena Weingartner, Florence Pichon and Alexandra Spencer

How pre-arranged financing can help to mitigate disaster impacts by supporting early action and response.

[Reducing the risk of protracted and multiple disaster displacements in Asia-Pacific](#)

Research reports and studies | May 2020 | Katie Peters and Emma Lovell

A report discussing how to reduce the risk of protracted and multiple disaster displacement in Asia-Pacific.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 9 May 2020]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

We're an open and independent new initiative providing data, analysis and intelligence on how to make research systems more strategic, open, diverse and inclusive.

RoRI News

[Remote Lecture: Science of Science in the Spotlight](#) (Tues 12 May, 16:00 BST)

Join RoRI Associate Director Dr Ludo Waltman as he provides an overview of the Research on Research landscape and its connections to Science Policy. Hosted by Univ. Luxembourg. Registrations by email: scisci@uni.lu

05.05.2020

Urban Institute [to 9 May 2020]

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

Publications

Alternatives to the TCJA Limit on the State and Local Tax Deduction

In this report, we compare revenue equivalent alternatives to the \$10,000 annual limit on the state and local tax (SALT) deduction enacted in the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA). We consider options that would limit all itemized deductions, not just the SALT deduction, and an additional option that would raise the four highest federal individual income tax rates. Prior work has shown that higher-income households would benefit

[Frank Sammartino](#), [Gordon B. Mermin](#), [Noah Zwiefel](#)

May 7, 2020

Research Report

The Future of Public Housing: Confronting the Challenges Facing the Public Housing Program

In October 2019, the Urban Institute and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities launched the Future of Public Housing Initiative. The initiative kicked off with a convening of practitioners, policymakers, and public housing resident leaders—the latter a group often excluded from policy discussions. Attendees shared viewpoints on the state of public housing, including challenges and priority areas for change. This brief

[Susan J. Popkin](#), [Benny Docter](#), [Mica O'Brien](#), [Martha M. Galvez](#), [Diane K. Levy](#), [Maya Brennan](#)

May 7, 2020

Brief

Evaluating Connecticut's Pension Benefits during the Pandemic

The coronavirus pandemic threatens the financial stability of Connecticut's pension plan for state employees, one of the nation's worst-funded retirement plans. This strain could lead to benefit cuts, but recent plan changes have already reduced future pensions and raised mandatory employee contributions. Many state employees hired today will receive only half as much from the retirement system as they would have collected under

[Richard W. Johnson](#)

May 7, 2020

Research Report

How Would the President's Proposed 2021 Budget Affect Spending on Children?

In this Kids' Share brief, we examine how the Trump administration's proposed 2021 budget would affect spending on children. Children's programs subject to annual funding decisions, including education and early care and education, would be sharply reduced. Mandatory programs and tax credits for children for the most part would be largely protected, following a pattern seen throughout the budget.

[Julia B. Isaacs](#), [Cary Lou](#), [Eleanor Lauderback](#)

May 7, 2020

Brief

The President's Budget Priorities and the COVID-19 Pandemic

On March 30, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) released its analysis of President Trump's proposed budget for fiscal year 2021. The president submitted this budget on February 10, 2020, when the pandemic was in its early stages in the US and before the enactment of major relief bills in

response to the public health crisis and ongoing recession. CBO estimated that from 2021 to 2030, the federal deficit would be \$2.1 trillion

[Erald Kolasi](#), [C. Eugene Steuerle](#)

May 7, 2020

Brief

Hispanic Adults in Families with Noncitizens Disproportionately Feel the Economic Fallout From COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic threatens to upend the well-being of many Hispanic adults and their families. Employment and earnings losses related to the pandemic are likely to impose an especially high toll on Hispanic adults who are noncitizens or live with noncitizen family members, many of whom are barred from federal relief efforts and existing safety net programs or have been discouraged from applying for assistance because they

[Dulce Gonzalez](#), [Michael Karpman](#), [Genevieve M. Kenney](#), [Stephen Zuckerman](#)

May 6, 2020

Research Report

Data Snapshot of Youth Incarceration in Connecticut: 2020 Update

Although Connecticut's youth detention rates have declined significantly in the past decade, the state incarcerates an increasing proportion and disproportionate number of youth of color. In 2019, 84 percent of youth admitted to detention were youth of color, even though only about 33 percent of the state's youth population were youth of color. In 2018, the governor closed the Connecticut Juvenile Training School (CJTS), the

[Colette Marcellin](#), [Samantha Harvell](#)

May 6, 2020

Brief

How the COVID-19 Recession Could Affect Health Insurance Coverage

Thirty million workers filed initial unemployment claims between March 15 and April 25. As workers lose their jobs, many will also lose their employer-sponsored health insurance (ESI), as will their dependents. Some of these workers and dependents will qualify for Medicaid coverage, particularly in states that expanded Medicaid eligibility under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Others will purchase individual coverage on the

[Bowen Garrett](#), [Anuj Gangopadhyaya](#)

May 4, 2020

Research Report

Paid medical leave research: What we know and what we need to know to improve health and economic well-being in the United States

Paid medical leave is a benefit that allows individuals to take time off from their jobs while continuing to receive their wages and salaries to address their own serious medical condition that limits their ability to work. The term "medical leave" generally refers to leave that lasts weeks or months. Research suggests that paid medical leave could affect economic outcomes by reducing income volatility, helping workers to

[Jack Smalligan](#), [Chantel Boyens](#)

April 30, 2020

Research Report

The Wistar Institute [to 9 May 2020]
<https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 9 May 2020]
<https://agenda.weforum.org/news/>
Media

New Alliance Launched at World Economic Forum to Help Social Entrepreneurs Overcome Impacts of COVID-19

News 04 May 2020

* * * *

:: 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 9 May 2020]
<https://alleninstitute.org/what-we-do/frontiers-group/news-press/>
News
No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/Media-Center/Press-Releases>
Press Releases and Statements
MAY 04, 2020

Statement from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation about today's Coronavirus Global Response Summit

SEATTLE, May 4, 2020 – Earlier today at the Coronavirus Global Response Summit, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced a commitment of \$125 million towards the international collective effort to develop and equitably distribute COVID-19 diagnostics, therapies, and vaccines. This includes \$50 million of new funding to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance and \$75 million of previously announced funding for therapeutics and diagnostics. More information about the summit is available at global-response.europa.eu.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 9 May 2020]
<http://www.emcf.org/capital-aggregation/blue-meridian-partners/>

Blue Meridian Partners is a new capital aggregation collaboration that plans to invest at least \$1 billion in high-performance nonprofits that are poised to have truly national impact for economically disadvantaged children and youth.
No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Release

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 9 May 2020]

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.

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 9 May 2020]

<http://news.getty.edu/>

Latest News

[U.S. Museum Leaders on Pandemic Repercussions](#)

May 06, 2020

GHIT Fund [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

<https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest Updates

Hewlett Foundation Awards \$10 Million to Silicon Valley Community Foundation for Bay Area COVID-19 Relief

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation announced today that it has awarded a \$10 million grant to Silicon Valley Community Foundation (SVCF) for COVID-19 relief efforts in the Bay Area. The funding will aid hard-hit communities and nonprofit organizations that serve them. The contribution from the Hewlett Foundation is the largest ever received by SVCF...

SF Bay Area May 7, 2020

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Our News

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Announces the Retirement of Pat Modugno

May 8, 2020

Vice President of Administration and Chief Financial Officer Served Over 30 Years

IKEA Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 9 May 2020]

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

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

May 7, 2020 *News Release*

Among Non-Elderly Adults, Low-Income, American Indian/Alaska Native and Black Adults Have Higher Risk of Developing Serious Illness if Infected With Coronavirus

Among non-elderly adults, American Indian/Alaska Native and Black adults are more likely than Whites to be at higher risk of serious illness if infected with the new coronavirus — chiefly due to a higher prevalence of underlying health conditions and longstanding disparities in health care and other socio-economic factors, according...

Kellogg Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<https://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<http://www.macfound.org/>
No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<https://mellon.org/>
Mellon News, Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<https://www.moore.org/>
News
No new digest content identified.

Open Society Foundations [to 9 May 2020]
<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/newsroom>
Press release
May 8, 2020
[Open Society Foundations Commit \\$15 Million to Gender Equality in Africa](#)
Through its Soros Economic Development Fund, Open Society will support women-led investment funds that advance economic and gender equity across Southern and Western Africa.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 9 May 2020]
<http://www.packard.org/news/>
News
No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 9 May 2020]
<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room>
Press Releases & Statements
May 6, 2020
[Growth in Debt Lawsuits Presents Challenges for Courts, Consumers](#)
Press Releases & Statements
May 4, 2020
[Pew Announces \\$6.8M in Grants Supporting Philadelphia Region's Vulnerable Adults](#)

Rockefeller Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

The Latest

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Latest News and Highlights

OPINION

[On coronavirus, we know who will pay the price when states reopen before they should](#)

As many governors choose to reopen their economies, states that attempt a premature return to 'normal' are sacrificing those with the fewest choices.

Dr. Richard E. Besser | Opinion contributor | 9:38 am EDT May 5, 2020

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 9 May 2020]

<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..."

May 5, 2020

[Press Release: France Córdova announced Senior Science Advisor at Science Philanthropy Alliance](#)

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).

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 9 May 2020]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 9 May 2020]

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

Opinion | 7 May 2020

Coronavirus Global Response helped to raise billions for research. But we need more

Alex Harris

Head of Global Policy, Policy and Advocacy team, Wellcome

On 4 May, world leaders, global banks and health organisations came together to invest in the COVID-19 response. With billions pledged, Alex Harris explains what this could mean for the urgent research into tests, treatments and vaccines.

.....

Candid [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 9 May 2020]

<https://candid.org/about/press-room?fceref=pg>

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 9 May 2020]

<https://www.cof.org/newsroom>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

*

*

*

*

:: 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 2020 Volume 48, Issue 5, p471-590

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

The Importance of Hand Hygiene in the Current Healthcare Environment

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

May 2020 Volume 58, Issue 5, p613-756

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

May 2020 110(5)
<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 102, Issue 4, April 2020
<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/102/4>
[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

21 April 2020 Vol: 172, Issue 8
<http://annals.org/aim/issue>
[Reviewed earlier]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology

Issue 374 - April 2020
<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>
[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 282 May 2020
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/282/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

<http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/>
(Accessed 9 May 2020)
[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

April 2020 - Volume 5 - Suppl 1
https://gh.bmj.com/content/5/Suppl_1

Reaching conflict-affected women and children with health and nutrition interventions
Original research

[Delivering non-communicable disease interventions to women and children in conflict settings: a systematic review](#) (27 April, 2020)

Shailja Shah, Mariella Munyuzangabo, Michelle F Gaffey, Mahdis Kamali, Reena P Jain, Daina Als, Sarah Meteke, Amruta Radhakrishnan, Fahad J Siddiqui, Anushka Ataullahjan, Zulfiqar A Bhutta

[Delivering infectious disease interventions to women and children in conflict settings: a systematic review](#) (26 April, 2020)

Sarah Meteke, Marianne Stefopoulos, Daina Als, Michelle F Gaffey, Mahdis Kamali, Fahad J Siddiqui, Mariella Munyuzangabo, Reena P Jain, Shailja Shah, Amruta Radhakrishnan, Anushka Ataullahjan, Zulfiqar A Bhutta

[Delivering trauma and rehabilitation interventions to women and children in conflict settings: a systematic review](#) (23 April, 2020)

Reena P Jain, Sarah Meteke, Michelle F Gaffey, Mahdis Kamali, Mariella Munyuzangabo, Daina Als, Shailja Shah, Fahad J Siddiqui, Amruta Radhakrishnan, Anushka Ataullahjan, Zulfiqar A Bhutta

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[Quantifying the impact of physical distance measures on the transmission of COVID-19 in the UK](#)

To mitigate and slow the spread of COVID-19, many countries have adopted unprecedented physical distancing policies, including the UK. We evaluate whether these measures might be sufficient to control the epid...

Authors: Christopher I. Jarvis, Kevin Van Zandvoort, Amy Gimma, Kiesha Prem, Petra Klepac, G. James Rubin and W. John Edmunds

Citation: BMC Medicine 2020 18:124

Content type: Research article

Published on: 7 May 2020

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[General methods for measuring and comparing medical interventions in childbirth: a framework](#)

The continue increase of interventions during labour in low risk population is a controversial issue of the current obstetric literature, given the lack of evidence demonstrating the benefits of unnecessary in...

Authors: Alessandro Svelato, Antonio Ragusa and Piero Manfredi

Citation: BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth 2020 20:279

Content type: Research article

Published on: 7 May 2020

BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

Misinformation and the US Ebola communication crisis: analyzing the veracity and content of social media messages related to a fear-inducing infectious disease outbreak

The Ebola communication crisis of 2014 generated widespread fear and attention among Western news media, social media users, and members of the United States (US) public. Health communicators need more informa...

Authors: Tara Kirk Sell, Divya Hosangadi and Marc Trotochaud

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:550

Content type: Research article

Published on: 7 May 2020

Cost of illness for childhood diarrhea in low- and middle-income countries: a systematic review of evidence and modelled estimates

Numerous studies have reported the economic burden of childhood diarrhea in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Yet, empirical data on the cost of diarrheal illness is sparse, particularly in LMICs. In t...

Authors: Ranju Baral, Justice Nonvignon, Frédéric Debellut, Samuel Agyei Agyemang, Andrew Clark and Clint Pecenka

Citation: BMC Public Health 2020 20:619

Content type: Research article

Published on: 5 May 2020

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

May 2020 - Volume 10 - 5

<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/10/5>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 98, Number 5, May 2020

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/98/5/en/>
[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 46, Issue 3 Pages: 249-396 May 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 103 May 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/103/suppl/C>

Research article Abstract only

[Adverse childhood experiences: Assessing the impact on physical and psychosocial health in adulthood and the mitigating role of resilience](#)

Nancy Ross, Robert Gilbert, Sara Torres, Kevin Dugas, ... Michael Ungar

Article 104440

Research article Abstract only

[End-of-life medical decision-making for children in custody: A collaborative, multi-stakeholder practical approach](#)

Ricki S. Carroll, Eliza Hirst, Mark Hudson, Molly Shaw, Stephanie A. Deutsch

Article 104441

Research article Abstract only

[They ask for protection: An exploratory study into experiences with violence among unaccompanied refugee children in Dutch reception facilities](#)

A.E. Zijlstra, M.C. Menninga, E.C.C. van Os, M.E. Kalverboer

Article 104442

Research article Abstract only

[Parenting interventions to prevent violence against children in low- and middle-income countries in East and Southeast Asia: A systematic review and multi-level meta-analysis](#)

Amalee McCoy, G.J. Melendez-Torres, Frances Gardner

Article 104444

Clinical Therapeutics

April 2020 Volume 42, Issue 4, p551-728, e65-e86

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Clinical Trials

Volume 17 Issue 2, April 2020

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/17/1>

Articles

Non-inferiority designs comparing placebo to a proven therapy for childhood pneumonia in low-resource settings

After a new treatment is recommended to be first-line treatment for a specific indication, outcome and population, it may be unethical to use placebo as a comparator in trials for that setting. Nevertheless, in specific circumstances, use of a placebo group might be warranted, for example, when it is believed that an active treatment may not be efficacious or cost-effective for a specific subpopulation. An example is antibiotic treatment for pneumonia, which may not be effective for many patients taking it due to the emergence of antibiotic-resistant strains or the high prevalence of viral and low prevalence of bacterial pneumonia.

Susanne May, Siobhan P Brown, Robert H Schmicker, Scott S. Emerson, Evangelyn Nkwopara, Amy Sarah Ginsburg

First Published December 8, 2019; pp. 129–137

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

Simple ideas to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 epidemic on refugees with chronic diseases

Authors: Muhammad Fawad, Fatima Rawashdeh, Parveen K. Parmar and Ruwan Ratnayake

Content type: Letter to the Editor

6 May 2020

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 90 March 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/90/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 3, Issue 2 / April 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/3/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

June 2020 - Volume 33 - Issue 3

<https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

June 2020 - Volume 33 - Issue 3

<https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 20, Issue 1 Pages: 1-60 March 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 30, Issue 2, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 38, Issue 3 Pages: 283-407 May 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>

ARTICLES

[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 15, Issue 3, 2020

<http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 14 - Issue 1 - February 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 44, Issue 2 Pages: 233-432 April 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 21 Issue 5 6 May 2020

<https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current>

Science & Society 26 April 2020 Open Access

[The long journey towards standards for engineering biosystems : Are the Molecular Biology and the Biotech communities ready to standardise?](#)

Jacob Beal et al

Standards are the basis of technology: they allow rigorous description and exact measurement of properties, reliable reproducibility and a common “language” that enables different communities to work together. Molecular biology was in part created by physicists; yet, the field did not inherit the

focus on the quantitation, the definition of system boundaries and the robust, unequivocal language that is characteristic of the other natural sciences. However, synthetic biology (SynBio) increasingly requires scientific, technical, operational and semantic standards for the field to become a full-fledged engineering discipline with a high level of accuracy in the design, manufacturing and performance of biological artefacts. Although the benefits of adopting standards are clear, the community is still largely reluctant to accept them, owing to concerns about adoption costs and losses in flexibility.

Emergency Medicine Journal

<https://bmcmemergmed.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 26, Number 5—May 2020

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>

Expedited Articles

Decreased Influenza Incidence under COVID-19 Control Measures, Singapore

R. Soo et al.

August 2020

Analysis of MarketScan Data for Immunosuppressive Conditions and Hospitalizations for Acute Respiratory Illness, United States

M. Patel et al.

August 2020

Evaluating the Effectiveness of Social Distancing Interventions to Delay or Flatten the Epidemic Curve of Coronavirus Disease

L. Matrajt and T. Leung

August 2020

Asymptomatic SARS-CoV-2 Infection in Household Contacts of a Healthcare Provider, Wuhan, China

Y. Luo et al.

August 2020

Collateral Benefit of COVID-19 Control Measures on Influenza Activity, Taiwan

S. Kuo et al.

August 2020

Prolonged Persistence of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in Body Fluids

J. Sun et al.

August 2020

Fatal Invasive Aspergillosis and Coronavirus Disease in an Immunocompetent Patient

M. Blaize et al.

July 2020

Pulmonary Embolism and Increased Levels of d-Dimer in Patients with Coronavirus Disease

D. O. Griffin et al.
August 2020

Evidence Supporting Transmission of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 While Presymptomatic or Asymptomatic

N. W. Furukawa et al.
July 2020

Policy Review

Nonpharmaceutical Measures for Pandemic Influenza in Nonhealthcare Settings—International Travel-Related Measures [PDF - 418 KB - 6 pages]

S. Ryu et al.

Nonpharmaceutical Measures for Pandemic Influenza in Nonhealthcare Settings—Personal Protective and Environmental Measures [PDF - 914 KB - 9 pages]

J. Xiao et al.

Nonpharmaceutical Measures for Pandemic Influenza in Nonhealthcare Settings—Social Distancing Measures [PDF - 1.08 MB - 9 pages]

M. W. Fong et al.

Epidemics

Volume 30 March 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/30/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 148 - 2020

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

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 42, Issue 2 Pages: 1-33 March–April 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/25782363/current>

Incidental Findings :: Data Sharing N-of-1 Trials :: Deception

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Winter 2019 (33.4) | December 2019

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2019/winter-2019-33-4/>
[Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 30, Issue 2, April 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/30/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75

Volume 92 April 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/92/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 12, Issue 1, February 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/12/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 63 February 2020

<https://www.fmreview.org/cities>

Cities and towns

Cities and towns are on the frontline of receiving and welcoming people who have been displaced. In this issue of FMR, policymakers, practitioners, researchers, representatives of cities and international city-focused alliances, and displaced people themselves debate the challenges facing both the urban authorities and their partners, and the people who come to live there. The issue also includes two 'general' articles on other topics.

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 47, 2020 - Issue 1

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Gates Open Research

<https://gatesopenresearch.org/browse/articles>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Genome Medicine

<https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 12, Issue 2, June 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/12/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health Action

Volume 12, 2019 Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/12/sup1?nav=tocList>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 8, No. 1 March 30, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Public Health

Volume 15, 2020 Issue 5

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

Bibliometric analysis of peer-reviewed literature on climate change and human health with an emphasis on infectious diseases

Assessing research activity is important for planning future protective and adaptive policies. The objective of the current study was to assess research activity on climate change and health with an emphasis o...

Authors: Waleed M. Sweileh

Citation: Globalization and Health 2020 16:44

Content type: Research

Published on: 8 May 2020

Health Affairs

Vol. 39, No. 4 April 2020

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

Integrating Social Services & Health

[Reviewed earlier]

Health and Human Rights

<https://www.hhrjournal.org>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

Viewpoints

Posted on May 6, 2020

Public Money Creation to Maintain Fundamental Human Rights during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Takondwa Chimowa, Stephen Hall, and Bernadette O'Hare

As governments around the world respond to the COVID-19 pandemic with a range of policies aimed at mitigating the economic fallout, we argue that low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) should prioritize public money creation over foreign borrowing. Experience shows that the cost of servicing foreign debt diverts resources from public services and can undermine fundamental economic, social and cultural rights, such as the rights to clean water, sanitation, basic education and health care. Moreover, the conditions attached to any subsequent debt restructuring can make matters worse.[\[1\]](#)...

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 35, Issue 4, May 2020,

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/35/4>

Original Articles

Editor's Choice

Community engagement for health system resilience: evidence from Liberia's Ebola epidemic

Kathryn M Barker, Emilia J Ling, Mosoka Fallah, Brian VanDeBogert, Yvonne Kodl ...

Health Policy and Planning, Volume 35, Issue 4, May 2020, Pages 416–423,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/heapol/czz174>

Abstract

The importance of community engagement (CE) for health system resilience is established in theoretical and empirical literature. The practical dimensions of how to operationalize theory and implement its principles have been less explored, especially within low-resource crisis settings. It is therefore unclear how CE is drawn upon and how, if at all, it facilitates health system resilience in times of health system crises. To address this critical gap, we adapt and apply existing theoretical CE frameworks to analyse qualitative data from 92 in-depth interviews and 16 focus group discussions collected with health system stakeholders in Liberia in the aftermath of the 2014–15 Ebola outbreak. Health system stakeholders indicated that CE was a crucial contributing factor in addressing the Ebola epidemic in Liberia. Multiple forms of CE were used during the outbreak; however, only some forms were perceived as meaningful, such as the formation of community-based surveillance teams. To achieve meaningful CE, participants recommended that communities be treated as active participants in—as opposed to passive recipients of—health response efforts and that communication platforms for CE be established ahead of a crisis. Participant responses highlight that meaningful CE led to improved communication with and increased trust in health authorities and programming. This facilitated health system response efforts, leading to a fortuitous cycle of increased trust, improved communication and continued meaningful CE—all necessary conditions for health system resilience. This study refines our understanding of CE and demonstrates the ways in which meaningful CE and trust work together in mutually reinforcing and beneficial ways. These findings provide empirical evidence on which to base policies and programmes aimed at improving health system resilience in low-resource settings to more effectively respond to health system crises.

The EVITA framework for evidence-based mental health policy agenda setting in low- and middle-income countries

Nicole Votruba, Jonathan Grant, Graham Thornicroft
Health Policy and Planning, Volume 35, Issue 4, May 2020, Pages 424–439,
<https://doi.org/10.1093/heapol/czz179>

Health Research Policy and Systems

<http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[A novel conceptual model and heuristic tool to strengthen understanding and capacities for health inequalities research](#)

Despite increasing evidence on health inequalities over the past decades, further efforts to strengthen capacities to produce research on this topic are still urgently needed to inform effective interventions aiming to address these inequalities. To strengthen these research capacities, an initial comprehensive understanding of the health inequalities research production process is vital. However, most existing research and models are focused on understanding the relationship between health inequalities research and policy, with less focus on the health inequalities research production process itself. Existing conceptual frameworks provide valuable, yet limited, advancements on this topic...

Authors: Lucinda Cash-Gibson, Matthew Harris, Germán Guerra and Joan Benach

Content type: Research

4 May 2020

Human Gene Therapy

Volume 31, Issue 9-10 / May 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/31/9-10>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 42, Number 1, February 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/41782>

[Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 77, March 2020

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/the-crisis-in-yemen/>

Responding to Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo

by Humanitarian Practice Network

This edition of Humanitarian Exchange, co-edited with Anne Harmer, focuses on the response to the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Although at the time of publication the outbreak appeared to have ended, over its course it claimed 2,200 lives, with more than 3,300 infected, making this the world's second largest outbreak ever.

In the lead article, Natalie Roberts reflects on the extent to which humanitarian actors have applied learning from the outbreak in West Africa in 2014–2016. Richard Kojan and colleagues report on the NGO ALIMA's flexible, patient-centred approach to reducing mortality, Marcela Ascuntar reflects on lessons learned from community feedback and Bernard Balibuno, Emanuel Mbuna Badjonga and

Howard Mollett highlight the crucial role faith-based organisations have played in the response. In their article, Theresa Jones, Noé Kasali and Olivia Tulloch outline the work of the Bethesda counselling centre in Beni, which provides support to grieving families. Reflecting on findings from a recent assessment by Translators without Borders, Ellie Kemp describes the challenges involved in providing clear and accessible information on Ebola and the response, and Sung Joon Park and colleagues explain how humane care and treatment can help increase trust and confidence in the response. Stephen Mugamba and his co-authors highlight the importance of community involvement in Ebola research, and Gillian McKay and her co-authors examine the impact of the Ebola outbreak and response on sexual and reproductive health services.

Stacey Mearns, Kiryn Lanning and Michelle Gayer present an Ebola Readiness Roadmap to support NGOs in preparing for an outbreak, while Edward Kumakech, Maurice Sadlier, Aidan Sinnott and Dan Irvine report on a Gap Analysis tool looking at the communication, community engagement and compliance tracking activities that need to be in place before an Ebola vaccine is deployed. Emanuele Bruni and colleagues describe the development of a new monitoring and evaluation framework for strategic response planning. The edition ends with an article by Adelia Fairbanks, who argues for an acceptance strategy in the DRC to improve security and access for responding agencies.

Human Vaccines & Immunotherapeutics (formerly Human Vaccines)

Volume 16, Issue 4, 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/khvi20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

International Health

Volume 12, Issue 3, May 2020,

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/12/3>

Article

[Vaccine stockouts and vaccination rate: examination of unique administrative data from Nigeria](#)

Ryoko Sato

International Health, Volume 12, Issue 3, May 2020, Pages 170–176,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihz091>

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 8 (2019): Issue 2 (Nov 2019)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/8/2/hrlr.8.issue-2.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 28 (2020): Issue 1 (Mar 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/28/1/chil.28.issue-1.xml>

Special Issue: The Field of Children's Rights: Taking Stock, Travelling Forward

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol 7, No 5 (2020) May 2020

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/62>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 44 April 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/44/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 49, Issue Supplement_1, April 2020

https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/49/Supplement_1

Big Data, Small Area

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 26, Issue 5 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 12 Issue 5

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/12/iss/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Infectious Diseases

March 2020 Volume 92, Supplement, p1-12, S1-S102

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(20\)X0004-X](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(20)X0004-X)

Commemorating World Tuberculosis Day March 24th, 2020 : "IT'S TIME TO FIND, TREAT ALL and END TUBERCULOSIS!"

[Reviewed earlier]

International Migration Review

Volume 54 Issue 2, June 2020

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

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

July-December 2019 Volume 17 | Issue 2 Page Nos. 117-318

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

Special issue on the mental health and psychosocial wellbeing of Rohingya refugees

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA

Online First

COVID-19: Beyond Tomorrow

[The Equitable Distribution of COVID-19 Therapeutics and Vaccines](#)

Thomas J. Bollyky, JD; Lawrence O. Gostin, JD; Margaret A. Hamburg, MD

free access has active quiz

JAMA. Published online May 7, 2020. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.6641

This Viewpoint proposes a framework for international cooperation among governments and organizations to replace competition and hoarding with equitable global distribution of COVID-19 therapeutics and vaccines as they are developed.

Editorial

[COVID-19—Looking Beyond Tomorrow for Health Care and Society](#)

Phil B. Fontanarosa, MD, MBA; Howard Bauchner, MD

JAMA Pediatrics

May 2020, Vol 174, No. 5, Pages 401-512

<http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/issue.aspx>

Viewpoint

[The Ethics of Disclosing Diagnostic ErrorsWhat Is the Researcher's Duty?](#)

Grant J. Shafer, MD; Frank X. Placencia, MD, MS

JAMA Pediatr. 2020;174(5):405-406. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2020.0031

This Viewpoint reviews the current literature on the ethics of disclosing diagnostic errors and proposes a framework to guide researchers.

[Literacy as a Distinct Developmental Domain in Children](#)

Perri Klass, MD; John S. Hutton, MD; Thomas G. DeWitt, MD

JAMA Pediatr. 2020;174(5):407-408. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2020.0059

This Viewpoint characterizes literacy as a unique domain of child development separate from spoken language acquisition that can be promoted and monitored through early pediatric primary care intervention.

JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

April 2020 - Volume 18 - Issue 4

<https://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Adolescent Health

May 2020 Volume 66, Issue 5, p515-634

[https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X\(20\)X0005-X](https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(20)X0005-X)

Commentary

Promoting Global Adolescent Health: Realizing the Transformative Potential of Schools

Mathilda Regan, Wafaie W. Fawzi, Vikram Patel

p526–528

Published in issue: May 2020

Education is one of the most powerful predictors of health throughout the life course and is central to a successful transition to adulthood. Conversely, good health and well-being allow adolescents to fully participate in school, improving their chances of employment and lifelong economic gains. With rates of secondary school enrollment rising in most countries, schools provide transformative platforms to reduce inequities and promote the mutually reinforcing relationship between adolescent health and education. This commentary proposes that renewed impetus is needed for the promotion of schools not only as environments where healthy behaviors can be seeded but also as settings for effectively connecting with the health care system, the alleviation of economic barriers to school participation, and engagement between adolescents and the community. For this to happen, we need to integrate diverse, evidence-based interventions for concerted delivery to maximize impact with the greatest efficiency. We consider four types of interventions, which merit such convergence...

Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

Vol. 68 (2020)

<https://www.jair.org/index.php/jair>

[New Issue; No digest content identified]

Journal of Community Health

Volume 45, Issue 3, June 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/45/3>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 42 Pages 1-290 (March–April 2020)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/42/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

2020 Volume 10 Issue 2

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/10/iss/2>

Table Of Contents

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Development Economics

Volume 144 May 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/144/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 15 Issue 1-2, February-April 2020

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current>

Special Issue: Ethical Issues in Social Media Research

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

April 2020 - Volume 74 - 4

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/74/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 13, Issue 1 Pages: 1-88 February 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/17565391/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 16, Issue 1, 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjge20/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

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

Volume 31, Number 1, February 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/journal/278>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Human Trafficking

Volume 6, Issue 2, 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Volume 10 Issue 1 2020

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2042-6747/vol/10/iss/1>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 22, Issue 3, June 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/22/3>

Review Paper

[Healthcare Policies for Stateless Populations in ASEAN Countries: A Scoping Review](#)

Proloy Barua, Mukdarut Bangpan

Abstract

This study aimed at summarizing the existing health policies for stateless populations living in the 10 ASEAN countries: Brunei, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. We followed scoping review method recommended by Arksey and O'Malley. Our inclusion criteria were based on three concepts: populations (stateless and undocumented people), issues (healthcare policies and regulations), and settings (10 ASEAN countries). Our findings suggest that none of the ASEAN countries have explicit healthcare policies for stateless people except Thailand. We also observed that ratification of international human rights treaties relating to the right to health does not necessarily translate into the provision of healthcare policies for stateless population. Although Thailand seems like the only country among 10 ASIAN countries having health policies for stateless populations in the country, the question remains whether having a policy would lead to a proper implementation by ensuring right to health.

Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies

Volume 18, 2020_ Issue 2

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Infectious Diseases

Volume 221, Issue 7, 1 April 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/221/7>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of International Development

Volume 32, Issue 3 Pages: 265-436 April 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Medical Ethics

April 2020 - Volume 46 - 4

<http://jme.bmj.com/content/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Operations Management

Volume 66, Issue 3 Pages: 257-365 April 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/18731317/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 7, Issue 2 (2020)

<https://digitalrepository.aurorahealthcare.org/jpcrr/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Pediatrics

May 2020 Volume 220, p1-274

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice

<https://joppp.biomedcentral.com/>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Public Health Management & Practice

May/June 2020 - Volume 26 - Issue 3

<https://journals.lww.com/jphmp/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Journal of Public Health Policy

Volume 41, Issue 1, March 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/41/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Refugee & Global Health

Volume 2, Issue 2 (2019)

<https://ir.library.louisville.edu/rgh/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of the Royal Society – Interface

May 2020 Volume 17 Issue 166

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rsif/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Journal of Travel Medicine

Volume 27, Issue 2, March 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/27/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

The Lancet

May 09, 2020 Volume 395 Number 10235 p1461-1520

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current>

Editorial

COVID-19 in Brazil: "So what?"

The Lancet

Comment

The key role of palliative care in response to the COVID-19 tsunami of suffering

Lukas Radbruch, Felicia Marie Knaul, Liliana de Lima, Cornelis de Joncheere, Afsan Bhadelia

Hypothesis

SARS-CoV-2 and viral sepsis: observations and hypotheses

Hui Li, Liang Liu, Dingyu Zhang, Jiuyang Xu, Huaping Dai, Nan Tang, Xiao Su, Bin Cao

The Lancet Child & Adolescent Health

May 2020 Volume 4 Number 5 p341-406, e10-e11

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanchi/issue/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Lancet Digital Health

May 2020 Volume 2 Number 5 e209-e267

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/landig/issue/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Lancet Global Health

May 2020 Volume 8 Number 5 e612-e736

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Lancet Infectious Diseases

May 2020 Volume 20 Number 5 p511-628, e79-e115

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/issue/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Lancet Public Health

May 2020 Volume 5 Number 5 e235-e296

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpub/issue/current>

Editorial

COVID-19 puts societies to the test

The Lancet Public Health

Articles

The effect of control strategies to reduce social mixing on outcomes of the COVID-19 epidemic in Wuhan, China: a modelling study

Kiesha Prem, et al/

Impact of school closures for COVID-19 on the US health-care workforce and net mortality: a modelling study

Jude Bayham, Eli P Fenichel

Impact assessment of non-pharmaceutical interventions against coronavirus disease 2019 and influenza in Hong Kong: an observational study

Benjamin J Cowling, et al.

Effect of changing case definitions for COVID-19 on the epidemic curve and transmission parameters in mainland China: a modelling study

Tim K Tsang, et al.

Lancet Respiratory Medicine

May 2020 Volume 8 Number 5 p423-526, e27-e42

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

Articles

Clinical course and outcomes of critically ill patients with SARS-CoV-2 pneumonia in Wuhan, China: a single-centered, retrospective, observational study

Xiaobo Yang, et al.

Review

Intensive care management of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19): challenges and recommendations

Jason Phua, et al. for the Asian Critical Care Clinical Trials Group

Health-care Development

Planning and provision of ECMO services for severe ARDS during the COVID-19 pandemic and other outbreaks of emerging infectious diseases

Kollengode Ramanathan, et al.

Summary

WHO interim guidelines recommend offering extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO) to eligible patients with acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) related to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The number of patients with COVID-19 infection who might develop severe ARDS that is refractory to maximal medical management and require this level of support is currently unknown. Available evidence from similar patient populations suggests that carefully selected patients with severe ARDS who do not benefit from conventional treatment might be successfully supported with venovenous ECMO. The need for ECMO is relatively low and its use is mostly restricted to specialised centres globally. Providing complex therapies such as ECMO during outbreaks of emerging infectious diseases has unique challenges. Careful planning, judicious resource allocation, and training of personnel to provide complex therapeutic interventions while adhering to strict infection control measures are all crucial components of an ECMO action plan. ECMO can be initiated in specialist centres, or patients can receive ECMO during transportation from a centre that is not specialised for this procedure to an expert ECMO centre. Ensuring that systems enable safe and coordinated movement of critically ill patients, staff, and equipment is important to improve ECMO access. ECMO preparedness for the COVID-19 pandemic is important in view of the high transmission rate of the virus and respiratory-

Maternal and Child Health Journal

Volume 24, Issue 5, May 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10995/24/5>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Medical Decision Making (MDM)

Volume 40 Issue 2, February 2020

<http://mdm.sagepub.com/content/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

The Milbank Quarterly

A Multidisciplinary Journal of Population Health and Health Policy

Volume 98, Issue 1 Pages: 1-222 March 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14680009/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Nature

Volume 581 Issue 7806, 7 May 2020

http://www.nature.com/nature/current_issue.html

Article | 29 April 2020 | Open Access

[Childhood vaccines and antibiotic use in low- and middle-income countries](#)

Joseph A. Lewnard, Nathan C. Lo[...] & Ramanan Laxminarayan

Abstract

Vaccines may reduce the burden of antimicrobial resistance, in part by preventing infections for which treatment often includes the use of antibiotics^{1,2,3,4}. However, the effects of vaccination on antibiotic consumption remain poorly understood—especially in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), where the burden of antimicrobial resistance is greatest⁵. Here we show that vaccines that have recently been implemented in the World Health Organization’s Expanded Programme on Immunization

reduce antibiotic consumption substantially among children under five years of age in LMICs. By analysing data from large-scale studies of households, we estimate that pneumococcal conjugate vaccines and live attenuated rotavirus vaccines confer 19.7% (95% confidence interval, 3.4–43.4%) and 11.4% (4.0–18.6%) protection against antibiotic-treated episodes of acute respiratory infection and diarrhoea, respectively, in age groups that experience the greatest disease burden attributable to the vaccine-targeted pathogens^{6,7}. Under current coverage levels, pneumococcal and rotavirus vaccines prevent 23.8 million and 13.6 million episodes of antibiotic-treated illness, respectively, among children under five years of age in LMICs each year. Direct protection resulting from the achievement of universal coverage targets for these vaccines could prevent an additional 40.0 million episodes of antibiotic-treated illness. This evidence supports the prioritization of vaccines within the global strategy to combat antimicrobial resistance⁸.

Nature Biotechnology

Volume 38 Issue 4, April 2020

<https://www.nature.com/nbt/volumes/38/issues/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Nature Genetics

Volume 52 Issue 5, May 2020

<https://www.nature.com/ng/volumes/52/issues/5>

Editorial / 06 May 2020

Tracking genetic discrimination

The promise of personalized medicine lies in the tailored treatment of individual patients, a process requiring detailed phenotypic and genetic information. Although the widespread collection of such data can help to advance the implementation of precision healthcare, the genomic sequencing data being amassed also include private information that could potentially be used as a basis for genetic discrimination. It is important for the genetics community to be aware of these risks and to contribute to policies designed to monitor and mitigate threats to the equitable treatment of individuals or populations on the basis of genetics.

Comment | 23 March 2020

Establishing the International Genetic Discrimination Observatory

Genetic discrimination is one of the most pervasive challenges resulting from research and development in human genetics. To collaboratively study and prevent this ethical issue, we established an international Genetic Discrimination Observatory comprising a network of researchers and stakeholders from more than 19 jurisdictions.

Yann Joly, Gratien Dalpé[...] & Yvonne Bombard

Nature Medicine

Volume 26 Issue 4, April 2020

<https://www.nature.com/nm/volumes/26/issues/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Nature Reviews Genetics

Volume 21 Issue 5, May 2020
<https://www.nature.com/nrg/volumes/21/issues/5>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Nature Reviews Immunology

Volume 20 Issue 5, May 2020
<https://www.nature.com/nri/volumes/20/issues/5>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

New England Journal of Medicine

May 7, 2020 Vol. 382 No. 19
<http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal>
Perspective

Data Citizenship under the 21st Century Cures Act

Kenneth D. Mandl, M.D., M.P.H., and Isaac S. Kohane, M.D., Ph.D.

A new federal rule facilitates health data exchange and enforces right of access to a computable version of one's medical record. The essential next steps include addressing cybersecurity, privacy, and insurability risks.

Editorials

Covid-19 — The Search for Effective Therapy

Lindsey R. Baden, M.D., and Eric J. Rubin, M.D., Ph.D.

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Volume 49 Issue 2, April 2020
<http://nvs.sagepub.com/content/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Pediatrics

Vol. 145, Issue 5 1 May 2020
<https://pediatrics.aappublications.org/>
[Reviewed earlier]

Pharmaceutics

Volume 12, Issue 4 (April 2020)
<https://www.mdpi.com/1999-4923/12/4>
Open Access Review

Availability of Authorizations from EMA and FDA for Age-Appropriate Medicines Contained in the WHO Essential Medicines List for Children 2019

by Jose-Manuel delMoral-Sanchez , Isabel Gonzalez-Alvarez , Marta Gonzalez-Alvarez , Andres Navarro-Ruiz and Marival Bermejo

Pharmaceutics 2020, 12(4), 316; <https://doi.org/10.3390/pharmaceutics12040316> - 01 Apr 2020

Abstract

Lack of age-appropriate commercially drug products availability is a common problem in pediatric therapeutics; this population needs improved and safer drug delivery. In addition, biopharmaceutic aspects, dosage requirements, and swallowing abilities demand pediatric forms different to adult formulations. The objective of this study was to evaluate the authorization availability from United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and European Medicines Agency (EMA) of oral essential medicines for children and analyze its age-appropriateness for oral administration in children. All oral drugs from 7th List of Essential Medicines for Children by World Health Organization (WHO) were selected. Availability of commercial drug products was collected from OrangeBook, Spanish drug product catalogue, British electronic Medicines Compendium, and the International Vademecum. Tablets, effervescent tablets, and capsules were considered as not age-appropriate forms. Liquid forms, powder for oral suspension, mini tablets, granules, and soluble films were considered as age-appropriate forms due to their flexibility. More than 80% of the studied drugs possess a commercial authorization in oral forms in both EMA and FDA. Nevertheless, around 50% of these formulations are not age-appropriate for most pediatric groups. This study shows the lack of age-appropriate medicines for children. More efforts are needed to improve development and approval of pediatric medicines.

PharmacoEconomics

Volume 38, Issue 5, May 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40273/38/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

PLoS Genetics

<https://journals.plos.org/plosgenetics/>

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

PLoS Medicine

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[No new digest content identified]

PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases

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

(Accessed 9 May 2020)

[Eliminating yellow fever epidemics in Africa: Vaccine demand forecast and impact modelling](#)

Kévin Jean, Arran Hamlet, Justus Benzler, Laurence Cibrelus, Katy A. M. Gaythorpe, Amadou Sall, Neil M. Ferguson, Tini Garske

Research Article | published 07 May 2020 PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pntd.0008304>

[COVID-19 in Latin America: Novel transmission dynamics for a global pandemic?](#)

Matthew J. Miller, Jose R. Loaiza, Anshule Takyar, Robert H. Gilman

Viewpoints | published 07 May 2020 PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pntd.0008265>

PLoS One

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

The determinants of handwashing behaviour among internally displaced women in two camps in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

Aso Zangana, Nazar Shabila, Tom Heath, Sian White

Research Article | published 08 May 2020 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0231694>

Cash assistance programming and changes over time in ability to meet basic needs, food insecurity and depressive symptoms in Ragga Governorate, Syria: Evidence from a mixed methods, pre-posttest

Kathryn L. Falb, Alexandra H. Blackwell, Julianne Stennes, Jeannie Annan

Research Article | published 07 May 2020 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0232588>

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

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

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

Decisional autonomy undermines advisees' judgments of experts in medicine and in life

Samantha Kassirer, Emma E. Levine, and Celia Gaertig

PNAS first published May 7, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1910572117>

Significance

The debate over whether people ought to be guided paternalistically or given full decisional autonomy has been raging for centuries. However, in many Western societies, autonomy has become the gold standard. The US medical system, in particular, has increasingly prioritized patient autonomy. The present research examines the important question of how patients and advisees broadly react to full decisional autonomy. We find that advisees making difficult decisions prefer paternalism to autonomy, but doctors do not anticipate this preference. We document this preference within medicine and within a range of other contexts characterized by adviser–advisee asymmetries in expertise. Our results suggest that advisees facing difficult decisions do not perceive autonomy as the gold standard.

Abstract

Over the past several decades, the United States medical system has increasingly prioritized patient autonomy. Physicians routinely encourage patients to come to their own decisions about their medical care rather than providing patients with clearer yet more paternalistic advice. Although political theorists, bioethicists, and philosophers generally see this as a positive trend, the present research examines the important question of how patients and advisees in general react to full decisional autonomy when making difficult decisions under uncertainty. Across six experiments ($N = 3,867$), we find that advisers who give advisees decisional autonomy rather than offering paternalistic advice are judged to be less competent and less helpful. As a result, advisees are less likely to return to and recommend these advisers and pay them lower wages. Importantly, we also demonstrate that advisers do not anticipate these effects. We document these results both inside and outside the medical domain, suggesting that the preference for paternalism is not unique to medicine but rather is a

feature of situations in which there are adviser–advisee asymmetries in expertise. We find that the preference for paternalism holds when advice is solicited or unsolicited, when both paternalism and autonomy are accompanied by expert guidance, and it persists both before and after the outcomes of paternalistic advice are realized. Lastly, we see that the preference for paternalism only occurs when decision makers perceive their decision to be difficult. These results challenge the benefits of recently adopted practices in medical decision making that prioritize full decisional autonomy.

Estimating the deep replicability of scientific findings using human and artificial intelligence

Yang Yang, Wu Youyou, and Brian Uzzi

PNAS first published May 4, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1909046117>

Significance

After years of urgent concern about the failure of scientific papers to replicate, an accurate, scalable method for identifying findings at risk has yet to arrive. We present a method that combines machine intelligence and human acumen for estimating a study's likelihood of replication. Our model—trained and tested on hundreds of manually replicated studies and out-of-sample datasets—is comparable to the best current methods, yet reduces the strain on researchers' resources. In practice, our model can complement prediction market and survey replication methods, prioritize studies for expensive manual replication tests, and furnish independent feedback to researchers prior to submitting a study for review.

Abstract

Replicability tests of scientific papers show that the majority of papers fail replication. Moreover, failed papers circulate through the literature as quickly as replicating papers. This dynamic weakens the literature, raises research costs, and demonstrates the need for new approaches for estimating a study's replicability. Here, we trained an artificial intelligence model to estimate a paper's replicability using ground truth data on studies that had passed or failed manual replication tests, and then tested the model's generalizability on an extensive set of out-of-sample studies. The model predicts replicability better than the base rate of reviewers and comparably as well as prediction markets, the best present-day method for predicting replicability. In out-of-sample tests on manually replicated papers from diverse disciplines and methods, the model had strong accuracy levels of 0.65 to 0.78. Exploring the reasons behind the model's predictions, we found no evidence for bias based on topics, journals, disciplines, base rates of failure, persuasion words, or novelty words like "remarkable" or "unexpected." We did find that the model's accuracy is higher when trained on a paper's text rather than its reported statistics and that n-grams, higher order word combinations that humans have difficulty processing, correlate with replication. We discuss how combining human and machine intelligence can raise confidence in research, provide research self-assessment techniques, and create methods that are scalable and efficient enough to review the ever-growing numbers of publications—a task that entails extensive human resources to accomplish with prediction markets and manual replication alone.

Prehospital & Disaster Medicine

Volume 35 - Issue 3 - June 2020

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

Guest Editorial

Declining Public Health Protections within Autocratic Regimes: Impact on Global Public Health Security, Infectious Disease Outbreaks, Epidemics, and Pandemics

Frederick M. Burkle

Published online by Cambridge University Press: 08 April 2020, pp. 237-246

Abstract

Public health emergencies of international concern, in the form of infectious disease outbreaks, epidemics, and pandemics, represent an increasing risk to the world's population. Management requires coordinated responses, across many disciplines and nations, and the capacity to muster proper national and global public health education, infrastructure, and prevention measures. Unfortunately, increasing numbers of nations are ruled by autocratic regimes which have characteristically failed to adopt investments in public health infrastructure, education, and prevention measures to keep pace with population growth and density. Autocratic leaders have a direct impact on health security, a direct negative impact on health, and create adverse political and economic conditions that only complicate the crisis further. This is most evident in autocratic regimes where health protections have been seriously and purposely curtailed. All autocratic regimes define public health along economic and political imperatives that are similar across borders and cultures. Autocratic regimes are seriously handicapped by sociopathic narcissistic leaders who are incapable of understanding the health consequences of infectious diseases or the impact on their population. A cross section of autocratic nations currently experiencing the impact of COVID-19 (coronavirus disease 2019) are reviewed to demonstrate the manner where self-serving regimes fail to manage health crises and place the rest of the world at increasing risk. It is time to re-address the pre-SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) global agendas calling for stronger strategic capacity, legal authority, support, and institutional status under World Health Organization (WHO) leadership granted by an International Health Regulations Treaty. Treaties remain the most successful means the world has in preventing, preparing for, and controlling epidemics in an increasingly globalized world.

Preventive Medicine

Volume 134 May 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/preventive-medicine/vol/134/suppl/C>

Research article Abstract only

[Tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis \(Tdap\) vaccine for prevention of pertussis among adults aged 19 years and older in the United States: A cost-effectiveness analysis](#)

Bo-Hyun Cho, Anna M. Acosta, Andrew J. Leidner, Amanda E. Faulkner, Fangjun Zhou

Article 106066

Research article Abstract only

[Higher education associated with better national tetanus vaccination coverage: A population-based assessment](#)

Camerin A. Rencken, Shira Dunsiger, Annie Gjelsvik, Siraj Amanullah

Article 106063

Proceedings of the Royal Society B

13 May 2020 Volume 287 Issue 1926

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/toc/rspb/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Public Health

Volume 181 Pages 1-204 (April 2020)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/public-health/vol/181/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

Public Health Ethics

Volume 12, Issue 3, November 2019
<http://phe.oxfordjournals.org/content/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Public Health Reports

Volume 135 Issue 2, March/April 2020
<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/phrg/135/2>
[Reviewed earlier]

Qualitative Health Research

Volume 30 Issue 5, April 2020
<http://qhr.sagepub.com/content/current>
Research Articles

[Mental Health Services for Syrian Refugees in Lebanon: Perceptions and Experiences of Professionals and Refugees](#)

Hala Kerbage, Filippo Marranconi, Yara Chamoun, Alain Brunet, Sami Richa, Shahaduz Zaman
First Published January 6, 2020; pp. 849–864

Abstract

We applied semi-structured and in-depth interviews to explore the perceptions and experiences of 60 practitioners/policymakers and 25 Syrian participants involved in mental health services for refugees in Lebanon. Refugees were found to view their distress as a normal shared reaction to adversity while professionals perceived it as symptomatic of mental illness. Practitioners viewed Syrian culture as an obstacle to providing care and prioritized educating refugees about mental health conditions. Policymakers invoked the state of crisis to justify short-term interventions, while Syrian refugees requested community interventions and considered resettlement in a third country the only solution to their adverse living conditions. The therapeutic relationship seems threatened by mistrust, since refugees change their narratives as an adaptive mechanism in response to the humanitarian system, which professionals consider manipulative. We discuss the implications of our findings for mental health practice in humanitarian settings

Methods

[Reframing Photovoice: Building on the Method to Develop More Equitable and Responsive Research Practices](#)

Tasha Golden, Ph.D.
First Published February 21, 2020; pp. 960–972

Refugee Survey Quarterly

Volume 39, Issue 1, March 2020
<http://rsq.oxfordjournals.org/content/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Research Ethics

Volume 16 Issue 1-2, January-April 2020

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/reab/current>

Editorial

The unexpected power of research ethics

Doris Schroeder, Kate Chatfield, Sarah Edwards

First Published February 25, 2020

Original Article: Non-Empirical

Ethical reflections on children's participation in educational research during humanitarian crises

Fabiana Maglio, Tejendra Pherali

First Published January 22, 2020; pp. 1–19

Abstract

This paper aims to reflect upon ethical dilemmas arising from educational research in humanitarian contexts, particularly when involving children. In recognition of the paucity of knowledge on how to define ethics in humanitarian research, we review the existing body of literature that explores ethical responsibilities towards children involved in educational research at school and their communities. The paper argues that research ethics should be at the forefront of every study that is conducted in crisis contexts and more rigorous review and vetting processes are necessary to protect children, researchers and wider communities who live in crisis settings. We hope to promote an informed debate on research ethics in humanitarian contexts, while encouraging the development of rigorous guidelines, notes and minimum standards.

Original Article: Non-Empirical

Islamic concepts in ethics of pediatric clinical research

Areej AG AlFattani, Hala AlAlem

First Published February 3, 2020; pp. 1–11

Abstract

Background:

Medical research on children has increased in the last 20 years. International ethical regulations for conducting clinical research on children may not pertain to Muslim communities where religious beliefs play a big role in decision-making process.

Methods:

The aim of this paper was to illustrate the origins of bioethics principles in Islam, to appraise the existing regulations of Islamic countries, and to systematically review areas of improvements.

Conclusion:

This review recommends a customized approach for regulators to set culturally adapted ethical guidelines that highlight Islamic traditions in dealing with children of different ages.

Reproductive Health

<http://www.reproductive-health-journal.com/content>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

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

<https://www.paho.org/journal/en>

Latest articles

[No new digest content identified]

Risk Analysis

Volume 40, Issue 5 Pages: 899-1110 May 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15396924/current>

[New issue; no digest content identified]

Risk Management and Healthcare Policy

<https://www.dovepress.com/risk-management-and-healthcare-policy-archive56>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Science

08 May 2020 Vol 368, Issue 6491

<http://www.sciencemag.org/current.dtl>

Special Issue: Early Life Immunology

Introduction to special issue

[The immune system's first steps](#)

By Seth Thomas Scanlon

Editorial

[Combination prevention for COVID-19](#)

By Myron S. Cohen, Lawrence Corey

[Beat COVID-19 through innovation](#)

By Pierre Azoulay, Benjamin Jones

Policy Forum

[In pursuit of open science, open access is not enough](#)

By Claudio Aspesi, Amy Brand

Science 08 May 2020 : 574-577 Full Access

Preventing monopolies in knowledge infrastructure is the next battleground for publishers and research institutions

Summary

After decades of debate on the feasibility of open access (OA) to scientific publications, we may be nearing a tipping point. A number of recent developments, such as Plan S, suggest that OA upon publication could become the default in the sciences within the next several years. Despite uncertainty about the long-term sustainability of OA models, many publishers who had been reluctant to abandon the subscription business model are showing openness to OA (1). Although more OA can mean more immediate, global access to scholarship, there remains a need for practical, sustainable models, for

careful analysis of the consequences of business model choices, and for “caution in responding to passionate calls for a ‘default to open’” (2). Of particular concern for the academic community, as subscription revenues decline in the transition to OA and some publishers prioritize other sources of revenue, is the growing ownership of data analytics, hosting, and portal services by large scholarly publishers. This may enhance publishers' ability to lock in institutional customers through combined offerings that condition open access to journals upon purchase of other services. Even if such “bundled” arrangements have a near-term benefit of increasing openly licensed scholarship, they may run counter to long-term interests of the academic community by reducing competition and the diversity of service offerings. The healthy functioning of the academic community, including fair terms and conditions from commercial partners, requires that the global marketplace for data analytics and knowledge infrastructure be kept open to real competition.

Reports

[An investigation of transmission control measures during the first 50 days of the COVID-19 epidemic in China](#)

By Huaiyu Tian, Yonghong Liu, Yidan Li, Chieh-Hsi Wu, Bin Chen, Moritz U. G. Kraemer, Bingying Li, Jun Cai, Bo Xu, Qiqi Yang, Ben Wang, Peng Yang, Yujun Cui, Yimeng Song, Pai Zheng, Quanyi Wang, Ottar N. Bjornstad, Ruifu Yang, Bryan T. Grenfell, Oliver G. Pybus, Christopher Dye

Science08 May 2020 : 638-642 Full Access

Travel restrictions and the national emergency response delayed the growth and limited the size of the COVID-19 epidemic in China.

Science Translational Medicine

06 May 2020 Vol 12, Issue 542

<https://stm.sciencemag.org/>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Social Science & Medicine

Volume 251 April 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/social-science-and-medicine/vol/249/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Stability: International Journal of Security & Development

<http://www.stabilityjournal.org/articles>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

[No new digest content identified]

Stanford Social Innovation Review

Spring 2020 Volume 18, Number 2

https://ssir.org/issue/spring_2020#

Explore the power of collaboration between social innovation leaders and the public sector, development impact bonds, the transformation of the global humanitarian relief system, the smart use of evidence in decision-making, and other topics in the Spring 2020 issue of Stanford Social Innovation Review.

Systematic Reviews

<https://systematicreviewsjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 9 May 2020]

Interventions for treatment of COVID-19: a protocol for a living systematic review with network meta-analysis including individual patient data (The LIVING Project)

COVID-19 is a rapidly spreading virus infection that has quickly caused extensive burden to individual, families, countries, and the globe. No intervention has yet been proven effective for the treatment of CO...

Authors: Sophie Juul, Niklas Nielsen, Peter Bentzer, Areti Angeliki Veroniki, Lehana Thabane, Adam Linder, Sarah Klingenberg, Christian Gluud and Janus Christian Jakobsen

Citation: Systematic Reviews 2020 9:108

Content type: Protocol

Published on: 9 May 2020

Torture Journal

2019 Volume 29 - No.3

<https://irct.org/publications/torture-journal/143>

This issue of the Torture Journal takes its focus on measuring torture rehabilitation processes and results. Scientific contributions on this subject include a measurement of rehabilitation outcomes with an instrument designed at the Marjorie Kovler Center in Chicago; a validation study examining diagnoses of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Complex Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (CPTSD) in refugee and torture survivor populations; and a study of gender-based violence in Honduras, El Salvador and Guatemala.

The issue also comprises an applied perspective on organizational development in torture rehabilitation programs and two letters to the editor addressing involvement of medical personnel in torture in Syria and a response to the concept of psychological torture.

Finally, Secretary-General of the International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims, Lisa Henry, and Chief Executive Officer of STARTTS Centre in Australia, Jorge Aroche, provide an open letter to the Torture Journal readers and a celebratory text of STARTTS' 30th anniversary respectively.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Volume 21 Issue 2, April 2020

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/tvaa/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Travel Medicine and Infectious Diseases

Volume 34 March–April 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/travel-medicine-and-infectious-disease/vol/34/suppl/C>

Review article Abstract only

What do we know about travel for children with special health care needs? A review of the literature

Sarah E. Kohl, Elizabeth D. Barnett

Article 101438

Research article Full text access

COVID-19 – the role of mass gatherings

Shahul H. Ebrahim, Ziad A. Memish

Article 101617

Abstract

Mass gathering (MG) medicine emerged against the backdrop of the 2009 pandemic H1N1 Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) when the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) hosted the largest annual mass gathering of over 3 million pilgrims from 180 plus countries. However, the events surrounding the latest threat to global health, the PHEIC COVID-19, may be sufficient to highlight the role of mass gatherings, mass migration, and other forms of dense gatherings of people on the emergence, sustenance, and transmission of novel pathogens. The COVID-19 spread illustrates the role of MGs in exacerbation of the scope of pandemics. Cancellation or suspension of MGs would be critical to pandemic mitigation. It is unlikely that medical countermeasures are available during the early phase of pandemics. Therefore, mitigation of its impact, rather than containment and control becomes a priority during pandemics. As the most systematically studied MG-related respiratory disease data come from KSA, the cancellation of Umrah by the KSA authorities, prior to emergence of cases, provide the best opportunity to develop mathematical models to quantify event cancellations related mitigation of COVID-19 transmission in KSA and to the home countries of pilgrims. COVID-19 has already provided examples of both clearly planned event cancellations such as the Umrah suspension in KSA, and where outbreaks and events were continued.

Short communication Full text access

The cancellation of mass gatherings (MGs)? Decision making in the time of COVID-19

Qanta A. Ahmed, Ziad A. Memish

Article 101631

Abstract

Our recommendation, as experts who have monitored health hazards at the Hajj for over 15 years, especially if the situation with COVID-19 continues to escalate globally is that Hajj 2020 will be at risk of being suspended and a means for Muslims to fulfill their rights in the future either personally or even by proxy need to be announced. The same holds true for the Summer 2020 Olympics in Japan and for many other MGs and large gatherings. Decisions in the time of COVID-19 will be closely followed and will be a blueprint for other mass gatherings.

Tropical Medicine & International Health

Volume 25, Issue 4 Pages: i-iv, 387-505 April 2020

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13653156/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

UN Chronicle

Vol. LV Nos. 3 & 4 2018 December 2018

<https://unchronicle.un.org/>

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.

[Reviewed earlier]

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care

Volume 15, Issue 1, 2020

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rvch20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

World Heritage Review

n°94 - January 2020

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/review/94/>

Current Issue

New World Heritage sites 2019

The 1972 World Heritage Convention is truly unique. It is the only legal instrument conceived to protect both cultural and natural heritage, based on the principle of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) – the value of a site that is irreplaceable and must be protected for the future.

#

#

#

#

#

#

#

#

***The Sentinel** is an open access publication, subject to the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution License (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/3.0/>). Copyright is retained by the ge2p2 global foundation.*

#

#

#

#